

# 20220924 APPROVED Kingfield Utility Advisory Committee Meeting Notes

## Meeting Details

<b>Date</b>	09/24/2022	<b>Time</b>	5:00 PM - 6:40 PM
<b>Reference / Resources</b>	Meetings to be held at Webster Hall, 38 School Street.		

## Attendance

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Bobby Brown	X		Suzanne Dunham	X	
Peter Manning	X		Niki Woodhouse (notes)	X	
Dan Davis	X				

## Agenda / Discussion Items

Topics
<p><u>Last Meeting(s) Notes</u> The August meeting notes were reviewed. Peter motioned to accept meeting notes as provided, Dan 2nd, all in favor.</p> <p><u>Norway Article</u> Bobby referenced an article about Norway he sent to us via email. We need to read it.</p> <p><u>UM Capstone Project</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Is official</li> <li>● 5 engineering students</li> <li>● In October they will contact Bobby for the first meeting, to set it up. The team has named themselves “Wet Rocks Engineering “</li> <li>● By the end of October they will have set up and visited Kingfield.</li> <li>● Note: once this capstone partnership is official, we should consider talking with Leanna about a budget to feed this group during their visit.</li> </ul> <p><u>Billing Related</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Peter shared a printed version of his data comparisons. Quite a few discrepancies between Wastewater and Water District data. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Peter will try to get the computer to be able to pull more data. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ He will compile a full year of data, or two, quarter by quarter.</li> <li>■ We should have up to six years.</li> <li>■ With the sheet data we can experiment with different rates and billing strategies</li> <li>■ But there is still work to be done to parse it all out, really need the computer to do that.</li> <li>■ Peter will share a digital version of his spreadsheet with Bobby and Niki so they can each work with it, hopefully before the next meeting.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>● The group then reviewed “2018 Leanna’s Version” of what other districts charge for wastewater. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Peter noted that North Haven is the closest to us in size and is strictly sewer.</li> <li>○ In general, 7,000 to 10,000 gallons is the range for most communities in terms of billing.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● The goal is to try and raise money needed for operating costs, but to also start preparing for replacing failing beds etc., while making charges fair for all users.</li> <li>● Based on what it cost to replace the Keenan beds recently and then thinking about the number of beds total, a guesstimate would be roughly \$5.2 million to raise to replace them all.</li> <li>● Suzanne questioned if we have to wait until the new year/next quarter to be able to change the billing strategy and get people some financial relief.</li> <li>● Possibly, but <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The capstone project will run into May</li> <li>○ End Of quarter is only 2-3 meetings away</li> <li>○ We don’t have enough good historical usage data to properly forecast future usage.</li> <li>○ Someone asked about the timeline for the Poland Springs TIF, 2037/2038 is the last year Poland Springs can take advantage of it.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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## Next steps/action items

1. Find out if there is a prioritized list of needs and projects. - SDunham
2. Read the TIF document – all of us
3. Read the Norway article – all of us
4. Shared the spreadsheet with Bobby and Niki - PManning
5. Try to get the computer to be able to work with more data - PManning
6. Clear up 32 customer discrepancies b/w WW and WD - PManning

Suzanne moved that the meeting adjourn, Dan second, all in favor. Meeting ended at 6:40 PM.

## **Next Meeting**

<b>Next Meeting Date:</b>	10/20/2022 5:00 PM
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