

MADISON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

December 19, 2018

MINUTES

Time of Meeting: 6 pm

Location: Meeting Room B

- 1. Attendance:** Tom Hansen; Tom Lonsdale; Peter Pastore
- 2. Minutes:** Review of minutes from September 26, 2018. The meeting minutes were approved.
- 3. Citizen's comments:** None
- 4. Health Director's Report:**

Trent Joseph was not present, but Tom Hansen met with him before the meeting. Notable comments:

- Trent investigated some complaints and found that they are due to the very high groundwater conditions and not septic system failures. Trent is keeping a close watch on systems as they are adversely affected by the unusually high groundwater.
- Trent sent 3 applications to DEEP for review as they include multiple systems on single lots. We are starting to see a number of such applications for new out buildings with occupancy units. Trent to report further when reviews are complete.
- Trent sent two applications to DEEP for review as they involve well setback variances

5. Report on meetings with Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission:

- Tom Hansen reported on his meeting with BOS on 11/26/18. Tom presented the updated WCP and discussed the overall plan highlighting recent updates. Hansen also discussed the need for long term planning and the DEEP's Facilities Planning program. The Selectmen asked about funding levels and DEEP reimbursement.
- Tom Lonsdale reported on his meeting with the Conservation Commission on 12/10/18. Lonsdale presented the recent WPC and discussed the role of rising sea levels and groundwater on septic system performance. The Commissioners had a number of questions about septic system performance and standards, including N removal systems. The commission voted to send a letter to the BOS in support of the WPCAs request for funding an updated Facilities Plan.

6. Madison Water Pollution Control Plan. No changes or issues.

7. Wastewater Facilities Planning update: The WPCA intends to send a formal request for funding to the BOS. A draft RFQ outlining the process was prepared in 2014. This will also be sent with the request. Modifications to the RFQ will need to be made after a more precise scope of work is developed.

8. Future Programs:

- Tom Hansen will contact DEEP to see if a representative can be at our next meeting to discuss the facilities planning process in more detail.
- Tom Hansen will prepare the 2019 meeting schedule. Meetings will be quarterly at 6 pm.

9. Citizens Comments: None

10. Adjourn: 6:45 pm