

WATER RESOURCES PROTECTION TASK FORCE

WORKING GROUPS 1 AND 6 JOINT MEETING

January 11,2023 2:30 p.m. Town Hall Room # 7 and Hybrid

Members present: Steve Gang, Jeff Cochand, John Round, Peter Colarusso and Tom Kehoe

Meeting called to order at 2:32 p.m.

The meeting focused on the possible recommendations from the WRPTF to the Select Board for consideration and the slide deck being used by Chair Steve Gang in his presentation to the Select Board on Tuesday, January 17, 2023.

Ideas/Topics discussed included the following:

- 1.) Continuous monitoring of ground wells that track the movement of water towards Gravelly Pond.**
- 2.) Obtaining Greenscapes brochures to be available at Town Meeting/Town Election/Town Hall or mailed to all with the Water and Sewer Bills.**
- 3.) How to finance new smart water meters for all residences and businesses.**
- 4.) How to have the new smart water meters purchased and installed over a compact 5-year period.**
- 5.) How to monitor the PFAS at the LSW site as well as in the water treatment facility at Gravelly Pond.**
- 6.) Drilling of additional monitoring wells at Gravelly Pond on Manchester property.**
- 7.) Is it possible to develop a new water supply source and a new water supply system to provide water is MBTS?**
- 8.) Should the final report from the WRPTF be focused on short term or long term strategies? The task force should develop a Task Force Report as a 5 to 10 Year Plan for protection of existing water resources and development of new water resources.**
- 9.) The group examined Steve Gang's slide deck and made some suggestions for the presentation to the Select Board.**

Jeff Cochand is going to work on a First Draft of a Water Resources Protection Master Plan for the next 5 to 10 Years.

John Round will check with Chuck and Nate on the cost to the town for new smart water meters and the installation of the meters.

Suggestion on checking with cities and towns around MBTS using smart meters and find out the meters are working for them.

Meeting adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

Submitted by,

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