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TOWN OF BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Economic Development Committee

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Minutes Economic Development Committee June 7th, 2017

Attendees included Steve Russo, Tad Putney, Donna Marsh, Eddie Arnold, and Valérie Rearick.

Also present: Roger Skillings

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss public water and sewers in Brookline. **Tad** explained that the Committee does not want to give the impression that the town will spend millions of dollars but we want people to know that we are doing some research on what could be done, if doable.

Roger said that the town has the water source with Lake Potanipo and surrounding aquifers. Having water in the center of town for example would bring revenues but a house would not have to hook up right away if a residence has a well but if a new well was needed, or in case of change of ownership, they would have to hook up. This is how it works in Townsend, MA for example.

Tad asked if phasing was something to consider. **Roger** said that Tyngsboro did it. The town brought water to town buildings and in the center. Then, developers extended the pipes to their buildings.

Tad said that another source of water is the Martin/Austin property. **Roger** said that the most important is to bring water to Route 13. The more dependable are gravel packed wells. Test holes could be done for industrial developments. The Commercial/Industrial district lies on the aquifer.

Pennichuck – Another alternative would be to bring water through Hollis.

Sewers – **Roger** said that the best would be to make a deal with Pepperell, MA. The DES would be the department to talk to as they would help with the size of wells, pump station, etc., and would give us a better idea about the cost.

Eddie asked about having Monadnock expand to Brookline. **Roger** said that would be a good thought. We possibly could have a feasibility study.

The Committee thanked Roger for attending the meeting and for his input.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 25th – <u>6:30</u> pm. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Minutes submitted by Valérie Rearick.