

**Town of Westport
Infrastructure Oversight Committee
Wednesday – February 21, 2024 - 6:30 pm
Select Board Room
Agenda**

Organizational business:

- Membership – welcome new FinCom representative – Christopher Thrasher. (All)
- Approval of minutes – meetings of January 24, 2024 & February 12, 2024. (All)
- Upcoming meetings – dates & issues. Between now and May we might need to hold more meetings. Next meeting in two weeks - March 6, 2024? (All)

Old Business.

- **Betterment Policy – establish.** We need to formally establish a Sewer Betterment Policy recommendation with a vote for consideration by the Select Board. (Daylor)
- **Outreach plans – for Ballot Box in April & Town Meeting in May.** We need to hone our message and take it to the public. January 24th Power Point presentation needs updating. Things to consider: (1) maintain a steady information flow to our supporters in the environmental community; (2) hold additional public information meetings, especially in the W&S construction area; (3) maintain relations with the press and write press releases for same; (4) promote letters to the editor of local papers, and (5) meeting with community groups. Other suggestions?
- **Permits – update.** Where do we stand with (1) the Massachusetts Highway Department for digging up Route 6, (2) the Water Resources Commission and its Inter-Basin Transfer Act, and (3) the Westport Conservation Commission with a Notice of Intent?
- **Presentation – Roger Fernandes, Consultant.** An update on things he is working on.

New Business

- **Things to consider – for Select Board recommendations.** (1) Recommend a Town Meeting Warrant Article to establish a Sewer Enterprise Fund. (2) Recommend a Town Meeting Warrant Article to appoint the Select Board as Sewer Commissioners.
- **Things to discuss – for possible Select Board recommendations.** (1) Discuss Connection Costs once water & sewer are available in front of properties. (2) Discuss the Select Board delegating water & sewer responsibilities to an independent Water & Sewer Commission made of up five (5) commissioners.

Adjournment.

*Maurice E. May, Clerk
Infrastructure Oversight Committee*