Update on Your Sewer District's Activities

Annual Meeting – April 16

Taxpayers attending the annual meeting unanimously reelected existing directors Ray Turri, Jim Mersfelder, Joan Lang, and Jim Hiltz. Bob Goldfeld was newly elected a Director and Bill Daniels as an Alternate Director. President Ray Turri gave a brief background of the directors and an update on the district's activity.

Annual Budget Meeting - May 21

Taxpayers attending the annual budget meeting unanimously approved the 2011/12 budget. The budget details, information on current year expenditures, and an accompanying letter were mailed to taxpayers on May 9. Taxpayers also unanimously approved a mil rate of 3.30, the same rate as in 2010/11. Unless the assessed valuation of your property has changed, your taxes should remain the same as last year. A presentation by Jim Mersfelder provided background information for the budget and mil rate recommendations as well as an update on the Scope of Work being undertaken by our consultants Woodard & Curran.

Current Projects at the Plant

While any major work at the plant has been put on hold until there is agreement with the DEP on a long-term solution, there has been activity. Two of three sand filters in a tertiary filter system required by the DEP have been placed on—line after three years out of service. The access road to a key plant pump has been re-graded and a back-up generator pad installed. A major evaluation of risk management issues has been undertaken, as well as a general plant cleanup. A number of health and safety issues have been addressed. A temporary office trailer has been brought to the plant site and the appearance of the plant has been improved.

DEP/Woodard & Curran Scope of Study Project

This important project to assess our current situation and find an environmentally and financially acceptable solution to both the DEP and WLSD taxpayers has been underway for more than a month. Early work has focused on the inflow and infiltration (I/I) problems in our col-

lection system and an evaluation of our disposal system (ridge and furrow beds).

Potential I/I problem areas were determined in conjunction with WLSD staff through site inspections, analysis of pump station data and historical information regarding known problem areas. A subcontractor performed flow isolation work on April 28 and May 3 to inspect approximately 4.2 miles of sewer lines. Flow isolation work is performed during the early morning hours when sanitary flow is negligible to identify areas subject to infiltration. Results indicated that infiltration occurs in localized areas, including a number of pipe segments where sewers pass undeveloped lots suggesting laterals or clean-outs in these areas may not be sealed. Flow isolation work identified approximately 21,000 gallons per day of infiltration in these sub-areas of the collection system. Based on the flow isolation results, Woodard & Curran has developed a list of pipe segments where Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) inspection will be performed. Approximately 2.5 miles of sewer will be CCTV inspected in roughly 1000-ft increments.

The other major work effort is an evaluation of our groundwater disposal system. On-site meetings have been held to discuss projects, data needs, and to inspect the site. Observations during site inspections noted which beds were wet and operating on that day. An isopach map was prepared to determine the thickness of unconsolidated deposits over bedrock. The raw data from various reports were reviewed and used to select several beds for short-term loading performance tests. WLSD personnel restored a number of buried valves key to the operation and assisted with cleaning beds before the short-duration loading tests. Those tests were conducted during the week of May 9. Initial review indicates that beds had variable responses to loading. A meeting with DEP personnel on May 18 was held onsite to review short-duration testing, discuss plans for formal testing and conduct a site visit.

This important project to assess our current situation and Work planned for May 23 through June 30, includes:

• Define service area, flows and pollutant loadings including a review of parcel mapping and database toward developing mapping and flow projection of existing users vs. build-out of district.

- Begin the CCTV inspections during the week of June 1.
- Initiate a radio path study to determine communication requirements between pump stations and the plant.
- Evaluate the groundwater disposal system including a complete review of short-term loading test data, a work plan for long-term loading tests to be submitted to DEP for review, contract with a driller and complete installation of additional observation wells for the long-term test, and conduct the long-term loading test and analyze data.

As this important work progresses, we will keep you informed through regular postings on our website: http://www.wlsd-goshen.org.

Frank Moss Remembrance Moment at the Clubhouse

August 14, 2011 11:00 am to 12:30 pm Landmark Real Estate Company 1974-2003 Years at Woodridge Lake

Beginning in late 1974 Frank Moss became an integral part of our community managing the sales and market-

ing for the first of a kind year-round recreational community in the state. With success in attracting families from all over the world, came a true love of the community and it's members. Franks loved to entertain with his wife Tracy and children Tara, Heather and Chris. He especially enjoyed talking to new prospects about the lake and to show properties on the waterfront with the use of his boat. Frank was instrumental in recruiting celebrities such as Sally Jessie Raphael, Barry Faber, Dr. Carlton Frederick, Pegeen FitzGerald and others to promote our lake community to their listening audiences on radio stations in New York and Connecticut.

With all that said, the family and friends of Frank Moss would like to invite all that knew and enjoyed his company, to a remembrance at the clubhouse on Sunday August 14th from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm for a brunch. Please let us know if you would like to attend as early as possible so we make arrangements for the caterers.

Many Thanks to All

Stephen Drezen

