

TOWN OF SILVER CREEK
SPECIAL MEETING - WORKSESSION
STEWART RIVER SUBORDINATE SEWER SERVICE DISTRICT
June 30, 2014

A special meeting of the Town Board of Silver Creek was held on Monday June 30, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Hall for the purposes of discussing future directions for the Stewart River Service District, discussing the MPCA application progress and to assign tasks regarding an upcoming hearing for the Stewart River Service District to be held sometime in August. Present were Supervisors – Mike Hoops, Greg Hull; Larry Lampart; Clerk – Frederick R. Whitney; Eric Blasing from Wenck Engineer.

Hoops called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Hoops indicated that this meeting was to not only be an update as to where we were in the application process, but also to strategize how to conduct the hearing in August – who to present, what to present, layout the presentation outline and assign tasks in order to provide an informative hearing presentation.

While discussion progressed, Eric Blasing from Wenck Engineering updated the Board as to the application and all funding opportunities available for this project. As the meeting continued, it became abundantly clear that funding opportunities were not as significant as originally had been presented/proposed. The “scoring” for our project was not significant enough to warrant sufficient enough grants from multiple funding sources, and the MPCA-Rural Development, which would have been one of the most significant grant suppliers, could only support some \$250,000 of our project.

The Board had previously set a threshold of \$100 per household cost, and it reaffirmed that threshold this evening. Keeping this in mind, and now presented with the lighter funding sources, this threshold cannot be met. In fact, it now appears that the only major funding source available for our project is from the State Legislature Bonding authority. And, this will now take some 2 years to accomplish if we want to pursue.

Hoops proposed that he contact the Chairman of the Lake County Board in order to present our findings and to set up a possible special meeting. The Board concurred and that July 29-31 all would be available at 7:00 pm.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m. upon motion by Hull, second Lampart. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Frederick R. Whitney, Clerk