

Town of Inlet  
Clean Waters Committee  
January 23, 2007

A regular meeting of the Clean Waters Committee was held on Tuesday, January 23, 2007 in the Inlet Town Hall at 6:30 PM.

Present:

Dayt Cleaveland, Co-chair

John Frey, Co-chair

JR Risley, Supervisor

Bill Faro, Councilman

Herb Schmid, Councilman

Steve Winkley, Ground Water Specialist, New York Rural Waters Association

Mick Lehman, Bernier, Carr and Associate

Matt Cooper, Bernier, Carr and Associate

Ken Nelson, Inlet Property Owner

Brad Donovan, Inlet & Webb Property Owner

Adele Burnett, Administrative Assistant

Adele Burnett read a memo from Ron Miller stating he wishes to form a subcommittee to research cluster systems in the downtown area. It was suggested that he read the report drafted by Matt Cooper before pursuing this.

John Frey welcomed Steve Winkley, who presented a PowerPoint presentation on his findings in the Inlet area. He suggested that the Town look at property they own where sand and gravel drilling is an option, before they look elsewhere. He suggested starting with a location at Fern Park, different from the previous attempt. The group thanked Steve for his efforts and report.

Matt Cooper referred to a letter from Stephen Marshall that stated there is no funding available for a public water system in the Town of Inlet. Matt pointed out that Stephen's letter states that there is not system in place in the downtown area. He reminded the committee that while there is no system that covers more than one establishment there are still individual public systems in place at local establishments. If any of these systems raw water (before any treatment) should fail, this would give the town the points needed for funding.

The group went on to discuss report drafted by Matt. Steve Winkley encouraged the committee to continue pursuing funding for more test drilling. This would help ready the Town in the event funding became available. The group thanked Brad Donovan, extending the thank you to Sherry Grimm, for their time and for their offerings towards this project. Hopes are to keep all options open at this time.

Matt also reported that the Town of Inlet currently scores high for possible sewer projects, however there is only interest free loans available, no funding. At the current estimated cost of \$1,300 per EDU, this is not an option. Even a cluster system shows an

estimated cost of \$833 per EDU which is higher than the State Comptrollers Limit. Mick Lehman stated that at one time there was funding available for towns wishing to try new systems, with money to fall back on if they failed. This is no longer the case. The group thanked Matt and Mick for their time and efforts towards this project.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 27 at 6:30 PM in the Meeting Room of the Inlet Town Hall.

With nothing else to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Adele M. Burnett