

Town of Inlet
Clean Waters Committee
April 24, 2007

A regular meeting of the Clean Waters Committee was held on Tuesday, April 24, 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
Dan Levi, Councilman
Ron Miller, Codes Enforcer
Matt Cooper, Bernier, Carr and Associate
Paul Chambers, Inlet Property Owner
Jason Denno, Environmental Project Engineer II, NYS EFC
Ron Montesi, Special Assistant, NYS DEC
Adele Burnett, Administrative Assistant

The group introduced themselves to guests Jason Denno from the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation and Ron Montesi from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

Jason Denno explained that he had reviewed the Town of Inlet's project and noticed that the Town had scored high for sewers. He phone JR Risley asking what the Town's intentions were and asked if he could meet with the Clean Waters Committee. He explained that he believes there is funding available if the Town chooses to proceed.

Ron Montesi explained that part of his job is to look at each Member Item as they come in. Both he and Jason want to help the Town of Inlet as best they can move forward with a sewer and/or water project.

Jason explained that he felt the DEC should become involved with this project right away if the board intends to move forward. He talked about looking at the median income for just the service area of the project, as opposed to the whole town. There was discussion on why the water project scored so low. He asked if Susan Kennedy could be contacted to see if there was more information on any water failures which would raise the score.

Other discussion included how large any district should be, and whether it would be better to form the district by petition instead of through a vote. The group discussed whether it would be wise to have more than one district option. It was decided that this would be too confusing.

John Frey asked Jason if Rural Development would withdraw some of its funding if the Town were able to obtain more funding from other sources. Jason thought they might give less grant money but more low interest loan money in its place, but that he would look into this and get back to John. The board continued to ask Jason and Ron questions. Jason stated that the Town should have everything in place by August 10 for the best opportunity for funding.

The committee thanked Jason Denno and Ron Montesi for their interest and their time, and explained that they would keep in touch.

The committee then discussed what their options were, and how they wished to proceed. John will await an answer from Jason about Rural Development, and the committee will meet again on April 8 at 6:30 PM in the Meeting Room at the Inlet Town Hall prior to the Town Board's regular meeting. It was agreed that at this meeting, if Jason Denno reports back that Rural Development will give the town money, the committee will proceed with a project. Adele will not be available for this meeting, she will ask Patty Wittmeyer to take minutes.

The committee also discussed the water meters that the Town owns, and talked about getting these in place to take sample readings.

The committee then discussed what they should do with the \$25,000 recently received. They talked about doing more test drilling, and whether they should hire a hydrologist. Matt Cooper will contact Steve Winkley to see what he can do for the Town, and then determine if a hydrologist is necessary.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 22 27 at 6:30 PM in the Meeting Room of the Inlet Town Hall.

With nothing else to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Adele M. Burnett