

Sewer and Water Committee Meeting Minutes 11/05/2015

Where: Township Office – 47240 Green Acres Road, Houghton, MI

When: 10:00 A.M.

Who Present: Andrew Kemper, Peggy Anderson, Bruce Petersen, Chris Holmes (UPEA)

Discussion Points:

- Reviewed the City of Houghton’s freeze-thaw policy after much discussion the concept of having people let the Twp. know that they are going to run their water sometime during the months of Jan., Feb., and March and then be given a credit for one months let run amount, approx. 750 cu. feet or about 5,600 gallons, was ultimately the recommendation from the Committee to the Board. The Committee would not recommend that electrical arc welders be paid to open up frozen services – that cost would be born by the homeowner. A separate letter could be included in the next months water/sewer billing outlining this change of policy if the Board approves this Committees recommendation.
- Discussed the progress that UPEA has made to the submittal of the joint project grant proposal that was okayed by the Board that will be submitted to USDA – Rural Development. Chris discussed the cover letter that accompanies the application and the fourteen needed forms required in the application. The Township will complete the “Availability of Other Commercial Credit” form, number three on the list. After the initial grant application submittal it usually takes a week or two to get a response back from USDA – Rural Development concerning the completeness of the application and the parameters offered to the Township to do the work. Presently, the rates are hovering at 2 1/8 percent through Rural Development – which is still quite low.

>> Adjourned by Peggy at 10:50 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bruce Petersen
Township Supervisor