



Selectmen Meeting 11-03-15

Present: Select board members Bernie O'Grady Chairman, Charles Moser, Louise Lavoie

Pipeline Advisory Committee: Bob Dillberger, Steve Wells, Joe Maguire, Dimitri Gounis

Public: Barbara Devore

Call to order: 7:30 PM

BOS meeting with Pipeline Advisory Committee for purpose to discuss options and next steps with Attorney Carolyn Elefant hired to represent the Town of Mason in NEC FERC proceedings. Bob Dillberger presented the options evaluated by the PAC.

- Town of Mason must file as an entity by December 25, 2015. FERC most likely to require intervention by that date.
- Town of Deerfield MA filed suit against eminent domain unconstitutional since majority of gas is going to export. Request for others to file amicus brief in federal court to support their suit; public convenience and necessity, taking of property by private corporation.
- Original set of recommendations
help us decide what to do
good 1st step for her to tell us effective steps to achieve our goals
have session with her as sounding board
- Conference call to kick start discussion; Charles to contact Attorney Elefant to set up conf call
Goals – Stop the pipeline
Stop the lateral
move the lateral
mitigate impact

2 points with NHPUC

- Lack of evidence to support Liberty claims
- Prudence review to ID cost of construction

NED plan to file with NH SEC. do we need a lawyer for that process?

Mason Pipeline Committee would like status of how the \$80K is being utilized; Louise suggested public status updates be reported at BOS meetings and captured in minutes.

- Charles provided update from Community Coalition having vigorous discussions on 2016 funding model, 12 towns active in coalition, not all contributed in 2015, coalition would like to continue to carry the hold out towns. Mason potential contribution range \$6800 - \$12,500 depending on the model the coalition adopts.
- One possibility is to have Attorney Elefant focus on the lateral & town issues and use the coalition resources for general opposition.

Other topics

Bob Dillberger raised the subject of the 4x8 sign removed from the front of the church. He asked the BOS to consider posting the sign on the Town Common. Discussion concluded political signs cannot be posted on town land. In addition, the dimensions of the sign violate zoning requirements.

Steve Wells shared the Energy Facilities Advisory Committee EFAC formed by NRPC to draft the NED impact report will meet again on 11-6-2015 regarding how to better represent the lateral in the report.

8:16 PM Charles made motion to enter nonpublic session for RSA 91-A:3, II (a) and RSA 91-A:3, II (b) seconded by Bernard. Roll call vote to enter nonpublic Bernard O'Grady aye, Charles Moser aye, Louise Lavoie aye.

Returned to public session at 8:43 PM voted to seal nonpublic minutes under RSA 91-A:3, III because divulgence of information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board.

Roll Call vote to seal minutes Bernard O'Grady aye, Charles Moser aye, Louise Lavoie aye.

8:45 PM motion made by Bernie to adjourn, seconded by Charles, unanimous aye.

Minutes recorded by Louise Lavoie