

Town of Mount Airy  
Water and Sewer Commission  
Meeting Minutes – January 5, 2011

Commission members in attendance: Chair Bob Sinclair, Council Liaison Scott Strong, Secretary Dick Swanson, Don Maxey, and Greg Siegner. Greg Zamensky is an excused absence.

The meeting of the Water and Sewer Commission was called to order at 7:05 pm.

**Minutes:** Greg Siegner moved to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2010 meeting Seconded by Scott Strong and approved by unanimous vote.

**Old Business:**

**I-70 Annexation:** The Town is waiting for the petitioners to determine if they will proceed with the process. The Commission discussed making a recommendation on the I-70 annexation relative to potential ground water in the I-70 annexation acreage and the status of the septic systems (potential for failure of the major systems). It was decided to postpone making any recommendations concerning the potential for ground water. The Commission agreed that Bob Sinclair should coordinate with the Mayor to discuss ways to assess the risk to the Town should it annex the properties and a major septic system should fail.

**New Business:**

**Water & Sewer Operating Surplus:** The Commission agreed to recommend to the Town Council that any water and sewer operating surpluses should be transferred to the W&S capital accounts to provide funding for capital projects.

**Inflow and Infiltration:** The Commission agreed that inflow and infiltration (I&I) is a significant problem since the Waste Water Treatment Plant processes significantly more fluid than the water department delivers. The Commission will recommend that consideration be given to increase the funding to mitigate the I&I problem during this and future budget cycles.

**Carroll County New Development Group:** Scott Strong will meet with Carroll County representatives to work on the Harrison Leishears property development project.

**Alternative Energy Sources:** Don Maxey recommended that the Commission look into long term alternate energy sources for the W&S departments.

**Grants:** Scott Strong suggested that the Commission look into grants for the water and sewer departments including new technology grants.

**Adjournment:** Scott Strong moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Greg Siegner and passed by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Water and Sewer Commission is Wednesday, February 2, 2011 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall.

Prepared by,  
Dick Swanson, Secretary