

Memo

To : Fellow Richmond Water Commissioners, Richmond Town Manager, Kendall Chamberlin
Date: 3-28-2020
From: Donald Morin
Re: Memo from Sitzel, Page & Fletcher dated March 12, 2020 regarding Reap's Agreement for Private System.

I have reviewed the memo from Sitzel, Page & Fletcher dated March 12, 2020 regarding the proposed agreement with Reap and offer the following Comments:

1. Recommendation that the Reaps form a legitimate suitable association or organization: **Agreed.** It is my opinion that this organization or association (similar to what Condo associations need to draw up) comply with State, Town and a copy of the bylaws and organization be given to the Town of Richmond. Some people may say this was not done in the past, maybe so, but I think we have to change and not use what we did in the past to guide us in our future.
2. Responsible for Fees: **Agreed**
3. Question on if the easement gotten by the Reaps limits the town future to obtain a future easement from the land Trust. I am for this agreement, but am concerned that the town may be giving up some right to a future easement from the Land Trust. Looking for input from other members on this.
4. Concern about possible Engineering Challenges: **In my opinion, this project is not an engineering challenge, and if it was, it is not our issue.**
5. Establish definite Boundaries for Easement: **Agreed.**
6. One item I want to bring up to fellow members is this, this project will result in a net increase in revenue to the Richmond Water/Sewer department with no investment on the part of the Water Sewer department. It may result in a reduction in fees for the existing users. The Reaps will invest a lot of money in this project. I am willing to consider a way to soften the cost to the Reaps by reducing their fixed fee portion of their bill for a set time. I would like to hear more from other members of the board on this..

Please feel free to call me with Any questions.

Don Morin