

**MARCH 21, 2012
PUBLIC HEARING**

West Main Sewer District

6:30 P.M.

Present: Supervisor Post
Deputy Supervisor Underhill
Councilman Lang
Councilwoman Michalak
Councilman Gerace

Others Present: Town Clerk Morasco
Steve Mountain, Town Engineer
Approximately 15 Property Owners within the Proposed West
Main Sewer District

Supervisor called the Public Hearing to order at 6:32 P.M. and the Supervisor presented the notice as published in the Daily News.

Steve Licht addressed the Town Board, expressing that he reviewed the documented complaints and statistics from the Genesee County Health Department. He recited some of the findings in the reports and expressed that the problems are in the mobile home parks.

Mr. Licht expressed that the proposed sewer district is not appropriate for the financial being of the community.

George Walker addressed the Town Board. The property he owns on West Main is one of the disastrous ones and he would like it added to the list in need of public sewer. He is in favor of the sewer district and stated that it's time to bring us in the 21st century.

Lynn Heintz addressed the Town Board. Mr. Heintz expressed that his home is a great distance from the road and the costs to run the line from the road to the house would be very costly. Also, the debt over the years is considerable for a property only assessed for \$100,000. Mr. Heintz questioned whether it is a New York State requirement that residents have to hook-up to the sewer. He would like to see the document.

Mr. Heintz didn't understand how the debt service would be paid by commercial verses residents. Steve Mountain, Town Engineer explained that 2/3 of the debt will be paid by the commercial property owners and 1/3 by the residents. If there is future development, that would reduce the cost to all.

He questioned whether a pump station would be built. The Supervisor stated that there would be a pump station.

Mr. Heintz is not in favor of the sewer district.

Lynette Brown addressed the Town Board. She questioned why residents were allowed to move into the homes that have septic problems. Councilman Gerace

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explained that it is not a requirement to test the septic systems when purchasing a home. Mrs. Brown can't afford it and is not in favor of the sewer district.

Don Luces addressed the Town Board. Mr. Luce expressed that it is too expensive to connect. He has trees that would need to be removed where the line would need to go and it would be a problem to him financially. He is not in favor of the project.

Norm Hubbard addressed the Town Board in favor of the Sewer District. He expressed that when the creek floods the septic systems fail and silt is going into the systems. Residential owners don't report this, but tenants of commercial properties do. In order to progress and attract development it is needed. Mr. Hubbard is currently connected to the public sewer and questioned how much his costs would increase. The Supervisor informed him that currently he is not paying the bond and debt and that Mr. Mountain would give him the figure.

Supervisor Post expressed that the proposed sewer district is a result of over the past six or seven years of people's requests. The Town Board is responsible to all and is looking to benefit the majority of the community. The Town solicited for grant funding and received 1.6 million. This Board did their job.

Supervisor Post declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:20 P.M. as no one else commented on the proposed West Main Sewer District.

Respectfully submitted,

Teressa M. Morasco
Town Clerk