Vote November 4th!!

Public Information Meetings on the Water Supply Improvements Project will be held on Mondays, October 6, October 20, and November 3 at 7 pm in the Main Hall of the Hinesburg Town Hall.

Voter Registration (if you're not already registered) at the Town Clerk's Office on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 8 am - 4 pm, and Wednesday from 10 am - 6 pm. In order to vote on November 4, you must register to vote no later than 5 pm on October 29, 2014.

Absentee Ballots are available at the Town Clerk's Office or by calling the Town Clerk at (802) 482-2281.

The Water Supply Improvements Project will not be funded by property taxes. A mixture of rate increases for both new and existing water customers will fund this project.

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Water Supply Improvements Project

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Informational Meetings

Mondays, October 6,
October 20, and
November 3
7 pm Town Hall

Bond Vote

Tues. November 4, 2014
7 am-7 pm
Town Hall

Project Need

The Town currently has two existing groundwater well sources that, when first constructed, had a combined permitted capacity of 190 gpm. Over time the existing wells have diminished and the State permitted combined capacity is currently 120 gpm.

Existing Well House

The Town's current water demand is 190 gpm, which is in excess of the current capacity of the existing wells. As a result, the Town is not in compliance with it's Permit to Operate and the State has issued the Town a Notice of Alleged Violation to correct the source capacity deficiency.

From a water quality perspective, the existing well sources have naturally occurring hardness, iron, and manganese that are below secondary contaminant levels but cause scale buildup and water discoloration. In addition, the existing wells have low levels of MTBE, which are below State limits but are an indication of gasoline contamination in the vicinity of the wells.

The Project

The project will consist of two new wells and a treatment system to provide sufficient capacity to satisfy the Town's immediate water supply needs and provide for short-term system expansion. The improvements include the following:

- Two new wells off of Shelburne Falls Road for a capacity of 200 gpm and possibly up to 240 gpm
- New water treatment building at the well site to provide water softening and iron and manganese removal

New Well

The Benefits

- Corrects the existing capacity deficiency and addresses the State's Notice of Alleged Violation
- Provides treatment for hardness, iron, and manganese which are currently a nuisance to system users
- The new wells are not impacted by MTBE and are located outside the Town's development corridor to minimize future contaminant impact
- Provides capacity for short-term system expansion

General Information

Hinesburg voters are asked to authorize borrowing $1.5 Million to fund increased well water capacity and treatment for the Town's water system.

The vote will be by Australian ballot on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. Polls will be open from 7 am to 7 pm at the Town Hall.

The Town will hold three (3) public information meetings on Mondays, October 6, October 13 and November 3, at 7 pm at the Town Hall.

Project Financing

The total cost of the proposed project is $1.5 Million to be paid by the current and future connected users with no impact to property taxes.

The project has been selected for loan funding by the Vermont Drinking Water State Revolving Fund at an interest rate of 3% for 20 years. These funds are borrowed through the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank.

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