**WORKSHOP/REGULAR MEETING**

**TOWN OF ELIZABETHTOWN**

**DECEMBER 3, 2024**

The Workshop/Regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Elizabethtown, County of Essex in the State of New York was held at the Town Hall, 7563 Court Street, Elizabethtown, NY on December 3, 2024, and the public was welcome to attend.

PRESENT: Cathleen Reusser-Supervisor

Jeffrey Allott-Councilperson

Adam Bailey-Councilperson

Guests: Kathy Suozzo, Greg Swart, Matt Fuller and Hannah Neilly

This meeting started at 1:30 PM.

-Mr. Swart and Ms. Suozzo spoke regarding the options for disposal of the wastewater. The pros and cons of ground water disposal at the Golf Course. Discussed rapid infiltration and what would need to be done for this and surface water discharge.

-It was felt the Golf Course ground discharge was not optimal.

-Discussed a plan for Beaver Brook and Beaver Pond disposal and treatment for this plan. Again, not optimal.

-Mr. Swart talked about going out toward Barton Brook, north toward Park Street. That is a long run and has steep banks to get through. Discussion on this option and going down Court St to Barton Brook.

-Ms. Neilly felt having the system put on Woodruff Street was really the best and least expensive option. Even though some people don’t want it there, having to do all this extra piping and pump stations is a detriment to the other users who will be paying for this. The Supervisor said what would tip this project back in the direction of Woodruff Street is if the cost comes in high and funding is low.

-More discussion on ground discharge at the Golf Course and using the wastewater for watering the Course in the Summer.

-Ms. Neilly asked if the various options have been run by DEC yet so they could give an idea if any of the options are best, and Mr. Swart said they haven’t yet but are at that point.

- A lot more discussion on where and how to put in the water lines and if there is a major event what the effect might have on the river, hauling sludge etc.

-A decision must be made of where the Town wants the discharge. Mr. Swart will attend the December 17th board meeting.

-Discussed the sampling results. There was evidence of impact and Mr. Swart said they have done what DEC and EFC have asked. Barton Brook had fairly high contamination levels. Hits from the dye testing happened showing direct impact. Would like to hold a call with EFC and DEC to discuss what has been done and the findings. He feels we have met the threshold for what they are asking. He discussed the scoring system and its changes. He will find out if there is anything else that needs to be done.

-Need to discuss the next steps and the goals for 2025.

This meeting was adjourned at 4:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet E. Cross,

Town Clerk