

Minutes of March 13, 2018 Public Hearing to authorize the December 7, 2017 Extension Report regarding Sewer District No. 1 pursuant to Section 209-d of Town Law, held in the Germantown Town Hall, Germantown, NY, commencing at 6:46pm.

Present: Supervisor Beaury
Councilwoman DuFresne
Councilman Kukon
Councilman Sullivan

Recorded by: Town Clerk, Joyce Vale

Supervisor Beaury opened the Public Hearing on Establishment of the Germantown Sewer District No. 1

Supervisor Beaury then read the following:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH
EXTENSION TO GERMANTOWN SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1

Notice is hereby given that the Town Board of the Town of Germantown, Columbia County, will meet at the Town Hall, 50 Palatine Park Road, Germantown, New York, on the 13th day of March 2018, at 6:45 o'clock p.m., prevailing time, for the purpose of conducting a public hearing upon a proposal by said Town Board to establish an Extension to the Germantown Sewer District No. 1 by adding seven parcels of property to the existing Sewer District and by further expanding the Sewer District boundary as shown in the Map, Plan and Report referred to below, at which time and place said Town Board will meet to consider such proposition and hear all persons interested in the subject thereof and concerning the same.

The proposed Extension is described in a Map, Plan and Report for Germantown Sewer District No. 1 Amendment dated December 4, 2017, prepared by Delaware Engineering, D.P.C., (the "Extension Report"), on file in the office of the Town Clerk for public inspection.

No additional capital cost is proposed for the Extension to the Germantown Sewer District No. 1. According to the Extension Report, the estimated total annual cost to the typical property within the Extension is \$594.00 per unit. Hook-up fees include a \$15.00 permit and inspection fee plus the cost of any required construction lateral connection.

The Sewer District boundary as proposed to be extended is set forth at Appendix B to the Extension Report and attached hereto, and as depicted in Figure 1 of the Extension Report and attached hereto.

The method of apportioning the costs of the Sewer District including the Extension is to assess the costs entirely against the lands benefitted thereby, and to assess, levy and collect costs from several lots or parcels within such benefitted area in just proportion to the amount of benefit which the improvement shall confer upon such lots or parcels.

Dated: Germantown, New York
February 13, 2018

Supervisor Beaury opened the Public Hearing for comments.

Martin Overington asked if the Town Board was going to accept it? Supervisor Beaury said they are moving toward accepting this. Supervisor Beaury said they are doing the SEQRA tonight and then there is a 30-day waiting period.

Martin Overington is this an amendment to what we had in the past? Martin also asked why all of a sudden has the area gotten larger? Supervisor Beaury introduced Robert Flores from Delaware Engineering to explain the process. Robert Flores said there are 6 parcels that are either connected and are paying but were never added officially to the sewer district. Robert Flores said this is the clean-up of the 6 lots to which nothing changes and to add 1 lot that wants to be connected and was already approved. Martin said this is basically cleaning up the paperwork on the other 6 and adding the other lot. Martin doesn't understand why pump up Palatine Park Road and burden the land owners and he said why not just add 6 or 8 more. Martin likes the expansion to the sewer district and he thinks there should be more added. Robert Flores added there is no capital project and no cost, just paperwork. Supervisor Beaury said the only capital project is replacing the sewer plant. Supervisor Beaury said the mapping process is drawing the map the way it should have been drawn up 20 years ago.

Councilwoman DuFresne said there was a study done about expanding the district and it was a big expense.

Brian DuBois said the area near 9G stinks and we shouldn't wait for those homeowners in this area to approach us for hooking into the sewer. Supervisor Beaury doesn't disagree with Brian about people being contacted but that remedy doesn't have any impact on the map.

Supervisor Beaury closed the Public Hearing at 6:53pm

Motion to close the Public Hearing made by Councilman Kukon, seconded by Councilman Sullivan, with all in favor and none opposed.

Respectfully submitted,