

Re: Well Water on North Main Street

Jo Sagar <jo.sagar@live.com>

Wed 11/11/2020 7:41 AM

To: Daryl Beardsley, Town of Sherborn <darylsherborn@gmail.com>

Cc: Ellen Hartnett <ellen.hartnett@sherbornma.org>; Mark Oram <moram@sherbornma.org>

Thank you Daryl, we welcome you sharing with all town boards, we have not emailed either of the boards below.

Jo & Paul

Sent from my iPhone

> On Nov 11, 2020, at 6:54 AM, Daryl Beardsley, Town of Sherborn
<darylsherborn@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Hello Jo and Paul:

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> I would like to share this information with the ZBA and Planning Board, at a
> minimum. Is that ok with you? (Or perhaps you have already done so?)

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> Daryl Beardsley

> Chair, Sherborn Board of Health

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Ellen Hartnett [<mailto:ellen.hartnett@sherbornma.org>]

> Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2020 7:13 PM

> To: Mark Oram; 'Daryl Beardsley - Sherborn (darylsherborn@gmail.com)'

> Subject: FW: Well Water on North Main Street

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> See below and attached.

> Ellen

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> From: Jo Sagar <jo.sagar@live.com>

> Sent: Tuesday, November 10, 2020 7:05 PM

> To: Ellen Hartnett <ellen.hartnett@sherbornma.org>

> Cc: Ellen Hartnett <ellen.hartnett@sherbornma.org>; Mark Oram

> <moram@sherbornma.org>; Paul Sagar <p.sagar@live.com>

> Subject: Well Water on North Main Street

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> Dear Sherborn Board of Health,

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> We live at 51 North Main Street.

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> We purchased our historic home in June 2017, at that time our 350ft well

> produced 7-gallons of water per-minute for the first 3-hours and

> approximately 5-gallons per minute thereafter (test paperwork attached)

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> In 2019, we noticed a significant drop in pressure and our well would often

> run dry, in this timeframe new residents were starting to occupy the new 12

> home development at 59 North Main Street, (we believe 6 or 7 of the homes

> are currently occupied and the homes operate from two 700ft wells). We

> checked in with our immediate neighbor, who had also noticed a change in

> their water.

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> The problem continued, and during this past summer, we engaged a well water

> company to test the well. The test results showed a significant reduction in

> water, with a refill rate of 0.16 gallons per minute (test data attached).

> We were advised to frac and unfortunately, due to the interior condition of

> the well, fracking was not possible, and our only option was to drill a new

> well site.

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> We engaged Northeast Water Wells to drill a new well, they drilled from

> Tuesday, Nov 3rd to Thursday Nov 5th to 800ft and at 800ft the well is only

> producing a meagre 1-gallon per minute, and we are now waiting for the well

> to be fracked, (currently scheduled for Dec 3rd) hopefully, the frac process

> will produce between 3-5 gallons per-minute (we do not have irrigation and

> have no current plans to install). The driller (a drill operator with over

> 30-years' experience) has drilled many wells in Sherborn, particularly along

> North Main Street and has extensive knowledge of both the local geology and

> aquifers and has not drilled a well less than 700ft in the area for several

> years, with many of those wells also requiring the addition of fracking to

> provide sufficient water. The drill operator expressed genuine concern

> around the continued reduction of water availability in this area.

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> We reach out to share the above, but also to list two immediate concerns:

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> 1. The extensive development proposed at 41 North Main Street and 23

> Hunting Lane, where the developer proposes the use of two existing wells to

> provide water to both sites, given the above information, along with many

> existing concerns around water availability in Sherborn - How are these

> developments even feasible?

> 2. With no current or future planning (that we are aware of) underway for

> town infrastructure offering future support to homes in this area - where

> does this leave the future of North Main Street residents? With dwindling

> natural water supplies, all exacerbated by continuing drought conditions -

> how are the town planning to address this enormously concerning issue?

> We welcome (actively encourage) our email to be shared with all Sherborn

> Town Boards and Committees and thank you for your time and consideration.

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> Sincerely,

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> Jo & Paul Sagar

> 51 North Main Street

> Cell: 508-446-4260

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