



TOWN OF FALMOUTH RESOLUTION
Middle Road Reconstruction

- Whereas,** the reconstruction of Middle Road, from Johnson Road to the Cumberland town line, is scheduled for the 2017-18 construction season; and
- Whereas,** the findings in the Public Water Study prepared for the Town by Wright-Pierce concluded that the growth areas throughout the Town are generally well served by the existing water system; and
- Whereas,** the Wright-Pierce Public Water Study included a cost estimate to extend water on Middle Road, from the area approximately between Johnson Road and the Cumberland town line; and
- Whereas,** the staff, based on the findings within the Wright-Pierce Public Water Study, recommended the water line not be extended and that the Town Council adopt an order to accept the study; and
- Whereas,** the Town Council adopted the Wright-Pierce Public Water Study at its meeting on July 25, 2016, thus providing staff with the guidance to proceed with the Middle Road reconstruction project without an extension of public water supply; and
- Whereas,** at a public forum on January 17, 2017, hosted by the Public Works Department to give residents an opportunity to learn more about the road reconstruction project, several residents spoke in favor of extending public water to the Cumberland town line due to concerns with well water in the area; and
- Whereas,** in response the Town Council, at its meeting on January 23, 2016, discussed whether the water line should be extended and, to learn more about this matter, requested staff to (a) offer comprehensive well water testing for the properties in the area, (b) review the potential build-out of the area, and (c) request an updated cost estimate of the extension from Wright Pierce, based on recent bids received from the Town of Cumberland; and
- Whereas,** the water test results, build out potential, and cost estimates were discussed at the Town Council meeting on February 15, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF FALMOUTH ASSEMBLED THIS 27th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2017, THAT:

The Town Council is satisfied that findings from the 2016 Wright-Pierce Public Water Study along with: (a) generally satisfactory well water testing results from those property owners who participated in the testing program; (b) growth in the area is not expected to be very dense when compared to other growth areas; and (c) the cost to extend the water line remains very high and not a practical solution for providing water to this area of Town.

Attest: _____
Ellen Planer, Town Clerk

Date: _____