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April 7, 2011

Middleborough Board of Selectmen
10 Nickerson Avenue
Middleborough, MA 02346

Re: Request for Sewer Extension
Valley Road Estates, Middleborough, MA

Dear Honorable Board Members:

I represent Anders Martenson. My client is the owner of a property located at 20 Valley Road. The property is approximately 19 acres in area. There is an existing single family dwelling with ancillary structures located on the subject property. The existing house is currently serviced by municipal sewer. A copy of a plan showing the subject property is attached hereto.

My client intends to subdivide the existing lot and create six new residential lots. We are requesting approval from the Board of Selectmen to extend the existing municipal sewer line located at the end of Valley Road to service the new lots. An application for approval of a definitive subdivision plan will be made to the Middleborough Planning Board upon approval of this request. We believe that it would be appropriate for the Planning Board and its consultant to review the sewer design as part of the subdivision approval process.

Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Very truly yours,



Michael P. O'Shaughnessy



Todd A. Goldman
Wastewater Superintendent

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April 5, 2011

To: Charles Cristello
Town Manager

From: Todd Goldman
Wastewater Superintendent

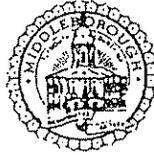
Re: Martenson - Valley Road Sewer Extension Request

The proposed sewer extension at Valley Road does not meet the criteria for an extension for the following reasons:

The Town wastewater policy states:

- No extensions are allowed outside of the existing sewer service area unless the Board of Health declares a health emergency.
This proposal is for new homes therefore no health emergency exists.
- Connections to the existing sewer service area are permitted provided the lot in question has a sewer line fronting on the property.
- Any extensions outside the sewer service area not considered a public health emergency shall be approved by Town Meeting.

Based upon the Town's wastewater policy listed above I would strongly recommend against granting approval for this request.



The Middleborough Board of Selectmen, acting as the Water & Sewer Commissioners, voted on March 8, 2004, to adopt the following Infiltration and Inflow Policy and New Sewer Rates and Charges, effective immediately:

**TOWN OF MIDDLEBOROUGH
WASTEWATER POLICY
AND
PLAN OF SEWER SERVICE AREA**

1. No extensions or connections are allowed outside the existing sewer service area unless the Board of Selectmen declare a public health emergency and vote approval at a regularly convened public meeting.
2. Connections to the existing sewer system service area are permitted provided the lot in question has a sewer line fronting on the property (either side of the street) or passing through it.
3. Any extensions outside of the sewer service area – not considered a public health emergency by the Board of Selectmen – shall be approved by Town Meeting.
4. Project flows shall be based upon estimates calculated by 314CMR7.12. Projects requiring participation in the I/I Removal Process shall be responsible for I/I Removal or Fees in excess of the original project estimate following full buildout.
5. Projects using two thousand (2,000) gallons per day or more of wastewater flow, require special permission. The Board of Selectmen may approve the proposed project provided the following steps are taken:
 - a. The developer must apply to the Board of Selectmen and receive approval of a connection permit for any project use exceeding two thousand (2,000) gallons per day.
 - b. All connection permits approved by the Board of Selectmen will be conditioned on the project proponent's removal of two (2) gallons of infiltration and/or inflow (I/I) for every gallon of projected flow from the proposed use.
 - c. The project proponent will have the opportunity to apply three (3) programs to reduce I/I to the 2 for 1 requirement for flows over 2,000 gallons per day. These options are:
 - Option 1 is a Water and Sewer Use Reduction Program;
 - Option 2 is for Construction Funding by a developer.
 - Option 3 is a Town Sewer Project Engineering/Construction Fund.

Options are described in the attached work program.

- d. Section 5 (above) applies to both new project flows and existing customers expanding their use in excess of 2,000 gallons per day.
6. The Superintendent of the Wastewater Department shall review the proposed work plan and provide a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen for approval. The Superintendent will be responsible for certifying completion of the project work.
7. If the Town's engineering consultant is required to participate in review of any of the options, the Superintendent of the Wastewater Department shall provide an estimate of costs. These costs are part of the total obligation by the project proponent.
8. The Board of Selectmen shall be presented the information and authorize the connection to the sewer system, through the Wastewater Department Superintendent.

**Soule Homestead Education Center
2010 PROGRAM SUMMARY**

- 1 **School and Group Visits:** In 2010, 2,016 children and 528 adults attended children's educational programs at Soule Homestead Education Center. (In 2009, 1,243 children and 384 adults attended.) Scout, Day Care, Home School, and Public Schools groups from the towns of: Middleboro, Avon, Bridgewater, Brockton, Carver, East Bridgewater, Lakeville, Marshfield, Mattapoisett, Pembroke, Plymouth, Rochester, Stoughton, Taunton and Wareham attended Children's Programs in 2010. Our programs are Mass. Curriculum Frameworks based.
- 2 **School Vacation Programs:** Vacation programs are held in Feb., April, July, Aug., and Dec.
- 3 **Community Gardens:** 11 families cared for Community Garden plots in 2010. Middleboro High School special needs students again planted and cared for a 20' x 60' pumpkin patch. Soule Homestead has provided a safe, open-air learning environment for these children for over 17 years at no charge to the Town of Middleboro. Groups participating in children's education programs also worked in areas of the Community Garden as well as the back fields.
- 4 **Traditional Craft Workshops:** In 2010 Soule Homestead Education Center had 36 workshops with 215 people participating. (In 2009, 56 workshops with 307 people). Subjects such as Quilting, Basket Weaving, Cheese Making, Star Gazing, Wood Carving, Organic Gardening, Chair Caning, Pottery, Landscape Painting and Rug Braiding were offered.
- 5 **Summer Folk Concerts:** S.H.E.C. hosted 8, Saturday evening folk concerts in July and August featuring local performers. Between 40 - 50 people attended each night. We have a well-organized music committee made up of 7 area residents.
- 6 **Earth Day / Sheep Day:** Over 100 people attended this event. Among the many activities and demonstrations, Rich Seaman of Sheepdog Junction gave a sheep herding demonstration and shearer, Andy Rice, educated and entertained as he worked.
- 7 **Harvest Fair / Folk Festival:** Our major annual fundraising event on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 18th & 19th, 2010 went very well. Over 1000 people enjoyed the family fun, educational exhibits, vendors, hay rides and folk music. Over 80 people volunteer to help with the Fair, including high school civic groups, Boy Scouts, and Middleboro Youth Hockey.
- 8 **Unscary Halloween Party:** About 80 people participated in our Unscary Halloween Party for young children. This event features: children's crafts, candy in the haystack, story in the barn, and a hay ride.
- 9 **Holiday Fair & Wreath Workshop:** Over 100 people attended, buying gifts, & baked goods. We had 2 sessions of our Christmas Wreath Workshop.
- 10 **Birthday Parties:** About 161 people attended various birthday parties in 2010.
- 11 **Owl Prowls:** We had 1 owl prowl in 2010. 45 people joined us for this event.
- 12 **Nature Trail:** Our nature trail was used by dozens of visitors in 2010

Also The ARC of Northern Bristol County volunteers came weekly during Spring, Summer and Fall. We held our 4th annual Valentine's Fundraising Dance at Town Hall. We held an Electronics and Appliance Recycling Fundraiser. We participated in the Rotary Club Craft Fair and the Rotary Club Auction. We hosted a brown bag lunch program in conjunction with the Middleborough Library. We were voted 2011 Business of the Year by the Cranberry Country Chamber of Commerce.

2011 PROGRAM PLAN

The 2011 Program will feature most of the same activities and events as the 2010 Program as well as several special events to celebrate our 20th anniversary. We will host a family picnic for the Cranberry Country Chamber of Commerce on May 22nd and a Soule Family Reunion on July 9th.

Soule Homestead Education Center is open free to the public from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, closed Mondays and holidays. For more info call: (508) 947 6744, or visit www.soulehomestead.org.

**Soule Homestead Education Center
Selectmen's Report 2011
Volunteer Hours 2010**

Volunteer Work	# People Involved	Total Hours Donated
Animals (Kathy Heimerdinger 950)	9	1200
Board of Directors	11	400
Various Sub-Comittees	10	300
Building Maintenance	6	36
Scout Project (Barn Loft Flooring)	10	140
Valentine's Dance	12	24
Office Help	4	24
Educational Program Assistance	10	400
Food Pantry Donations	4	12
H F Planning Committee	10	120
Harvest Fair (2 day event)	80	420
Holiday Fair	8	60
Electronics & Appliance Recycling	8	40
Music Committee	7	70
Summer Concerts / set up & clean up	8	112
Nature Trail	8	20
Fencing	2	8
Craft Production and Sales	4	48
Sheep Day	8	60
Unscary Halloween Party	7	28
Off Site Events	6	36
Workshop Teachers	12	175
Yard Work & Snow Removal	12	350
TOTALS	256	4083

Additional Information		
36 Adult Workshops	12 Instructors	215 Attended

4 events:		
Sheep Day		325 Attended
Harvest Fair (2 Days)		1200 Attended
Unscary Halloween		78 Attended
Holiday Fair		75 Attended

7 Summer Concerts	Average 40 / wk	291 Attended
Current Membership: Apx. 250		



Soule Homestead Education Center

2011 Farm Plan

During the year 2011 land use at the Homestead will consist of the following:

1. The eastern most fields along Soule Street (approximately 10 acres) including portions of land in Plympton will continue to be used by Richard Seaman of Sheepdog Junction for raising sheep, to train Border Collies and other herding breeds. Richard will give demonstrations at Soule Homestead Education Center's Earth Day/Sheep Day and Harvest Fair events.
2. 5 Acres, across the wetlands, 1/4 mile directly north of the barn, will continue to be rented by S.H.E.C. director, Frank V. Albani, Jr. of Golden Rule Farm for certified organic vegetable production. Frank also has a small garden and hoophouse (unheated greenhouse) close to the barn. Frank has been growing for market at Soule Homestead since 1996, his work is often involved with Children's Education Programs at the farm. Frank has been awarded a grant from the USDA / NRCS to build a 30' x 72' hoophouse and to replace field fencing in the sheep / goat areas.
3. Dave Purpura, of Middleboro, will be growing certified organic vegetables on three acres adjacent to Frank. Dave sells at the Plymouth and Harvard Sq. Farmers Mkts.
4. All fields not in other uses are cut for hay under contract with Rick Burnet.
5. Rick Burnet and Dave Detterman of Plympton may raise 8 – 10 grass fed beef cattle on the fields to the west of the barn.
6. Soule Homestead's sheep & goats continue to use the small east field, adjacent to the house and barn, as well as the areas directly behind the barn. The Poultry Barn is directly west of the main barn. The pens connected to the poultry barn allow our poultry to have outdoor access. Kathy Heimerdinger, our primary animal caretaker and our most generous volunteer, has been caring for the animals on a daily basis for over 19 years.
7. The community garden area offers approximately 15 plots to area organic gardeners for a nominal fee. We once again have a section of the community garden area set aside, as the Middleboro High School special needs pumpkin patch. We have worked with the special needs group at no charge to the Town, for about 17 years.
8. The compost area next to the community garden area allows us to recycle animal bedding and manure, and we encourage local residents to drop off their bagged leaves in the fall.
9. Organic Land Management practices are followed on the entire property.

The farm buildings will be used as follows:

Main barn: Lower level, East: classroom, office & storage.

1st Floor: Animal stalls and tool storage.

Loft: Hay Storage.

16x24 Outbuilding east of barn --sheep housing.

20x55 Outbuilding west of barn --poultry barn.

16x20 Outbuilding north of barn—equipment storage.

Soule Homestead Facilities Expansion Project Expenses & Donated Services

Revised 12/31/2010

Date	Seq #	To	Ck #	Labor	Materials	Other	Description	2008 / 2009 Expenses
04/24/08	1	HKT Architects	1163	\$4,000.00			Concept drawings	
12/28/08	2	Custom Home De	1377	\$1,760.00			Building plan	
03/10/09	3	Frank Albani	1422			\$225.00	Reimburse perc test permit	
04/28/09	4	Town of Mid	1459			\$20.00	Dumpster permit	
05/06/09	5	Town of Mid	1467			\$40.00	Demo Permit	
06/04/09	6	Steele Refrigerera	1496			\$172.50	Remove Freon from milk tank	
06/05/09	7	Julie Hall	1500	\$440.00			Demo Milk Room	
06/16/09	8	ABC Disposal	1504			\$500.00	Dumpsters	
07/02/09	9	Copy to copy	1520			\$220.00	\$397 / \$220 for FEP printing	
07/03/09	10	Town of Mid	1519			\$3,000.00	Bid Permit	
07/14/09	11	Julie Hall	1524	\$240.00			Build windows over new classroom area	
07/15/09	12	Julie Hall	1527	\$460.00			Build windows over new classroom area	
07/20/09	13	Postmaster	1533			\$440.00	Stamps for FEP mailing	
07/28/09	14	ABC Disposal	1536			\$334.61	Dumpsters	
08/12/09	15	Julie Hall	1550	\$120.00			Support barn for Redlon	
08/05/09	16	Redlon	1543	\$1,498.75			Excavation	
08/06/09	17	Postmaster	1547			\$440.00	Stamps for FEP mailing	
08/20/09	18	Frank Albani	1559		\$119.78		Reimburse lumber	
09/02/09	19	Redlon	1568	\$1,133.75			Excavation	
09/02/09	20	Drywall & Masonr	1569		\$507.05		Re-wire for slab	
09/03/09	21	Branch River Plas	1575		\$1,593.84		Foam Insulation	
09/08/09	22	Tom Pittsley	1577	\$538.00	\$1,218.02		Leveling for concrete floor pex purchase	
09/08/09	23	S & S Concrete F	1578	\$2,500.00			Formwork & concrete	
09/09/09	24	Byrne S & G	1579		\$779.00		Concrete for bathroom / kitchen floor	
09/09/09	25	Rob Willis	1580	\$600.00			Concrete Finishing bathroom /Kitchen	
09/17/09	26	Dave Mc Donald	1586	\$1,000.00			Concrete Finishing classroom	
09/17/09	27	Byrne S & G	1610		\$1,804.00		Concrete for classroom floor	
09/21/09	28	Tom Pittsley	1616	\$1,042.50	\$115.68		Installing slab insulation & pex tubing	
10/29/09	29	Mid Cape Home	1651		\$134.75		Lumber	
10/30/09	30	S & S Concrete F	1653		\$2,500.00		Formwork & concrete	
11/05/09	31	Frank Albani	1659		\$712.80		Reimburse Mazone lumber / HD / Lowes	
11/11/09	32	Julie Hall	1663	\$240.00			Trim windows	
11/11/09	33	Rick Burnet	1661	\$4,575.00			Frame Bathroom / Kitchen	
11/24/09	34	Julie Hall	1668	\$600.00			Winterize w/ plastic	
11/27/09	35	Farm Fam Ins	1673			\$880.00	Wrkmns Comp / Carpentry 78% of comp bill 9.28.08 to 9.28.09	
12/03/09	36	Rick Burnet	1677	\$3,120.00	\$482.22		Frame Bathroom / Kitchen	
12/09/09	37	Mid Cape Home	Peirce Tr./Town of M	\$7,419.21			Lumber	
			Totals	\$23,868.00	\$17,386.35	\$6,272.11		
				2008 / 2009 F E P Total Expense		\$47,526.46		

Soule Homestead Facilities Expansion Project Expenses & Donated Services										Revised 12/31/2010
Date	Seq #	To	CK #	Labor	Materials	Other	Description	2010 Expenses	Page 2 of 4	
01/06/10	38	Mid Cape Home	1689		\$74.34		Lumber			
01/13/10	39	Town of Mid	1691			\$225.00	2nd Perc Test			
01/14/10	40	Frank Albani	1692		\$36.73		Reimburse lumber			
01/14/10	41	Frank Albani	1695		\$114.54		Reimburse lumber			
01/29/10	42	Town of Mid	1705			\$150.00	2nd Perk Test Fee			
03/17/10	43	Frank Albani	1737			\$50.00	Reimburse Septic System Review			
04/02/10	44	Julie hall	1751	\$540.00	\$58.91		FEP rebuild windows			
04/08/10	45	Julie Hall	1752	\$360.00	\$17.00		FEP rebuild windows			
04/14/10	46	Cape Cod Concre	1753	\$550.00			FEP rebuild windows			
04/15/10	47	Julie Hall	1754	\$589.06			Cut Concrete beam pockets			
04/21/10	48	Bradford Steel	1759		\$960.00		FEP rebuild windows			
04/26/10	49	Richard Breaut	1769	\$1,800.00	\$200.00		Steel Beams			
04/30/10	50	Julie Hall	1772	\$320.00			Concrete Retaining Wall			
05/03/10	51	J & R Precast	1775		\$4,783.00		FEP rebuild windows			
05/03/10	52	Cape Cod Winwa	1776		\$2,577.32		Septic Tank / D box / Risers / Covers			
05/03/10	53	Aubuchon Hdw.	1777		\$9.51		Septic Pipe / Intusers			
05/07/10	54	G S Redlon	1782	\$6,520.00			Pipe Fittings			
05/07/10	55	G S Redlon	1783	\$212.50		\$500.00	Septic & Water Line Installation			
05/19/10	56	Goodrich Lumber	1789		\$416.65		Retaining Wall Exc & Septic Permit Fees			
05/22/10	57	Manny's Hdw	1795		\$97.72		Exterior Trim			
06/08/10	58	Frank Albani	1808		\$25.00		Exterior Stain & Brushes			
12/09/10		Postmaster	1977		\$176.00		Fuel for Tractor to Move Beams			
12/09/10		Frank Albani	1978		\$176.00		Lumber			
12/27/10		Frank Albani	104		\$496.26		Postage Biz Appeal			
12/27/10		Frank Albani	105		\$267.83		Postage Biz Appeal			
12/27/10		Rick Burnett	106	\$1,845.00			Reimburse Lumber			
		Totals		\$12,736.56	\$11,627.66	\$1,277.00				
				2010 F E P Total Expens	\$25,641.22					
				2008 / 2009 F E P Total Exp				\$47,526.46		
				2010 FEP Total Expense				\$25,641.22		
				TOTAL PROJECT EXPENSE TO DATE: 12/31/10				\$73,167.68		

