Trustees Present: Ellen, St. Marie, Leonard Charron, William Spears, Jr., and Guy Breault.

Staff Present: Jonathan Elwell , Joanne Davis, Gary Denton – at 7:30 p.m. Brian Ovitt, and Rodney Allen,

Others Present: Amy Brewer, Franklin Grand Isle Tobacco Coalition

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair, Guy Breault at 6:30 p.m.

1. Modifications/Changes to Agenda – There were no modifications or changes to the agenda.
2. Public Comment - There was no public comment.
3. Review/Approval Minutes for March 28, 2017

Leonard Charron moved to accept the minutes as written , Ellen St. Marie seconded. Unanimous.

1. OVX Request Regarding Lincoln Park

Amy Brewer presented an anti-smokeless tobacco flyer that they would like to put in sap buckets in Lincoln Park. The purpose is to educate people about the dangers of smokeless tobacco. Williams Spears Jr. expressed a concern that the buckets could be stolen if not attached and Amy Brewer said that the group had spoken about it and understood that it is a possibility. Jon Elwell suggested Amy work with Gary Denton to put the buckets in the park in a way that does not permanently damage any structures or trees. William Spears, Jr. moved to allow the group to put the sap buckets in Lincoln Park. Leonard Charron seconded. Unanimous.

1. Wastewater Department Anaerobic Mixer Replacements

Jon Elwell referred the Board to a memo in their packets written by Wayne Elliott of Aldrich & Elliott Engineers, and explained to the Trustees that during the budget process they had discussed replacing one mixer in the wastewater facility during 2017. The plan had been to do one per year for three years. As Brian Ovitt and Rodney Allen were investigating the replacement they discovered that if all three mixers are ordered and shipped at once they would see a substantial savings in shipping costs. There is also a cash incentive available through Efficiency Vermont if all three mixers are installed at the same time. The final savings is in energy costs making the replacement of all three mixers the best option. William Spears, Jr. moved to replace all three mixers as outlined in the memo from Wayne Elliott included in the board packet. Ellen St. Marie seconded. Unanimous

1. Franklin/Grand Isle Bookmobile 5K Run Event Request

Jon Elwell reviewed the letter from Meg Ziegler of the Bookmobile requesting permission to have a 5K run on August 12, 2017. Leonard Charron moved to approve this event, William Spears, Jr. seconded. Unanimous

1. Manager’s Report

Jon Elwell reviewed the report enclosed in the Trustee’s information. At this date, Jon is expecting The Turner Group, and possibly Paul Nolan to present findings of the Phase I Final Report to the Trustees at their meeting on May 9, 2017. William Spears, Jr. asked if Jon Elwell feels that The Turner Group is working in the best interest of the Village. Jon expressed that this may be a concern, and that he has directed Turner Group to look at an additional option for the hydro renovation (not discussed in the draft given to staff) which will be shown in the report as Option 5. Turner Group, Kingsbury Companies, and Paul Nolan are currently working on the concept of Option 5 which, would keep important elements of the original project in the work to be done during 2017/2018, but stay within the $2 million available to the project.

Guy Breault asked what effect shutting down the hydro would have on the project, department, and the customers. Jon Elwell explained that while rates have been stable for the past couple of years, there have been times of significant spikes in the cost of power. We would not have to do any hydro renovation if the plant was shut down, but we would lose the generation credits we receive because of the hydro production. If we shut down the hydro facility it would most likely have upward pressure on rates. There are several municipally-owned electric utilities in Vermont that do not have any of their own generation – they purchase 100% of their power from the market, so it certainly could be done if that is the choice the Board decides to make.

Jon Elwell reviewed Laurie Stanley’s report on Invoice Cloud – the credit card system we are using to accept payments online. Guy Breault asked about the service fees involved. Joanne Davis said the service fee for a credit card is $3.95 per $200 transaction and $.95 per e-check transaction with no dollar limit. All service fees are charged back to the customer utilizing the service.

Lastly, Jon informed the Board that Mike Manahan has resigned from the Missisquoi Rail Trail Association, representing Enosburg, and his replacement is Ellen Stanley.

1. Other Business

There was no other business.

1. Executive Session: Discussion of two legal items

Leonard Charron moved to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing two legal items. Ellen St. Marie seconded. The Trustees entered executive session at 7:45 p.m.

Leonard Charron moved to return to regular session. William Spears, Jr. seconded. The Trustees reentered regular session at 8:00 p.m.

As a result of discussions during Executive Session, Ellen St. Marie moved that the Trustees accept the actions of Vermont Tank Wash as a solution to stopping discharge into the Village wastewater system. The Village of Enosburg Falls will not pursue the disconnection of VTW or revoking their wastewater allocations at this time. The Village of Enosburg Falls staff will work with its attorney to draft conditions for Vermont Tank Wash to be allowed discharge (other than bathroom use) into the Village wastewater system, and these conditions must be met before further discharge can continue. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimous

1. Adjourn

William Spears, Jr. moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m.; Leonard Charron seconded. Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Davis, Director of Finance

These minutes were approved as written at the April 25, 2017 Trustee meeting.