

VILLAGE OF ENOSBURG FALLS
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
July 10, 2018

Trustees Present: Walter Scott, Guy Breault, Leonard Charron, Ellen Ste. Marie, Samuel Vaillancourt

Staff Present: Jonathan Elwell, Gary Denton

Others: Shawna Lovelette, MaryAnne Mercy, Sandra Ferland

Walter Scott, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

1. Modifications/Changes to Agenda – There were none.
2. Public Comment – There was no public comment.
3. Review/Approval Minutes June 26, 2018 – Leonard Charron made a motion to approve the minutes from June 26, 2018 as written. Seconded by Samuel Vaillancourt. Unanimous.
4. Enosburg Initiative Report – Shawna Lovelette lead a report from the Enosburg Initiative group about topics they were working on in the community. Items covered included the Masonic Temple painting effort, the opening of a welcome center located in the Enosburgh Opera House, and new flower plantings at the Main Market Plaza. Shawna also brought up an idea the E.I. discussed to direct people from Lincoln Park to the Opera House for the Welcome Center.

Their idea was to do chalk signage along the sidewalks. This would be temporary, but the thought was it might be a simple, fun way to direct visitors without a lot of expense. Shawna asked the Board if they would give permission to E.I. to do this. There was a consensus from the Board to allow E.I. to create the chalk signage on sidewalks to the Opera House.

5. Holiday Wreaths – MaryAnne Mercy was, again, present to discuss the idea of changing the downtown area holiday decorations from an LED light style to lighted wreaths. Gary Denton reported he had measured the wreaths, and pole-brackets, and they appeared to be compatible. Hooks, and possibly extension cords would have to be purchased, in addition to the wreaths, lights, bows, and storage rack system, but it is possible to do these things if that is what the Trustees decide. Some of the costs are unknown at this time. As had been discussed previously, the area covered by the wreaths would not be the entire area covered by the LED light decorations.

After discussion, Samuel Vaillancourt made a motion to approve the purchase of the wreath items up to \$1,500.00 with MaryAnne Mercy, and Gary Denton working together to figure out how best this could be done given the budget. Seconded by Guy Breault. Unanimous.

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Jon Elwell asked for some clarification regarding two items. Were the storage racks to also come from the \$1,500.00, and did the Board want the Electric Department to use the LED lights in other areas of the Village where the wreaths were not being used – like Depot Street, and Orchard Street? The racks should be paid for with surplus in the Holiday Street Lighting Account. If that did not cover the expense, then staff should use its best judgement as to where to cover the remaining needed funds. Regarding the LED lights, the Board felt it best to use some judgement as to the aesthetics of how the two different decorations will look together. If it looks O.K. to have the LED lights in some areas they should be used. The focus should be on the wreath lighting, however.

6. Lincoln Park Permit Request, Mark Brulotte/Robin Mayes – The Board was directed to a permit application in their packets to use Lincoln Park 10:30am – 11:15am July 28, 2018 for the purpose of holding a small wedding ceremony for Mark Brulotte and Robin Mayes. Guy Breault made a motion to approve the request. Seconded by Ellen Ste. Marie. Unanimous.
7. Coin-Drop Request, American Legion, Post #42 – The American Legion is requesting permission to hold a coin-drop event on northern Main Street August 18, 2018 from 8:00am – noon. Samuel Vaillancourt made a motion to approve the request made by the Legion for a coin-drop. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimous.
8. Transco Stock Purchase 2018 – Jon Elwell reviewed documents sent to the Board from Crystal Courier, Controller for Vermont Public Power Supply Authority regarding this year's stock purchase. 2018's stock purchase offer from Transco to Enosburg Falls is \$119,280.00. Although the purchase would not take place until December, VPPSA is asking its members whether they intend to purchase the stocks on their own or finance through VPPSA. They need to start speaking to banks soon about the financing/terms, and need to have an idea of how many of their members plan to finance through them this year.

Jon's recommendation is to purchase the stock, and finance through VPPSA as has typically been the practice of Enosburg Falls. After some discussion, Guy Breault made a motion to have the Village purchase the stock as described in Crystal Courier's memo, and to finance through VPPSA. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimous.

9. Manager's Report – Jon Elwell first reported he had approved Change Order #2 for the Diesel #1 Building Interpretive Center/Eco Park Project Phase II. The total of the change order was \$4,900.00 and the project is still within budget including the Change Order. Next he reported the Village has received notice another Solar Net-Metering Project intends to operate in the Electric Department's service territory. It is named SM2016 and is intended to be a 133kw solar generator site located on the roof tops of the old Leach Farm property along Route 105, north of McDonald's. The property is owned by Mathew Leach, and our understanding is Green Lantern will, again, be the developer of this project. Lastly, he reported that the motor for the Water Department Well #2's pump broke beyond repair. It was approximately 25-years old. A new motor has been installed, and is working correctly. The total cost to replace that motor was \$5,275.00.

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10 Other Business – There was no other business to come before the Board at this time.

11. Executive Session – Samuel Vaillancourt made a motion to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel issue. Seconded by Guy Breault. Unanimous. The Board entered Executive Session at 7:49pm.

Samuel Vaillancourt made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimous. The Board re-entered its Regular Meeting at 8:17pm. There was no action taken as a result of Executive Session.

12. Adjourn – There being no other business to come before the Board, Guy Breault made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimous. The Board adjourned its meeting at 8:17pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathan Elwell, Village Manager

These Minutes were approved by the Board of Trustees at their Regular Board Meeting July 24, 2018.