

**VILLAGE OF ENOSBURG FALLS**  
**Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees**  
January 29, 2019

Present: Trustees - Guy Breault, Leonard Charron, Sam Vaillancourt  
Staff – Jonathan Elwell, Matthew Miner  
Guests – None

Meeting called to order by Guy Breault at 6:32pm.

1. Modifications/Changes to Agenda

There were no modifications or changes to the agenda.

2. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

3. 2019 Budget

A. General Fund

The General Fund draft budget has been updated and was presented to the Board with a general fund total expenditure of \$1,289,985, of which \$524,968 is to be raised by property tax with a proposed tax rate of 0.5425. This draft budget includes debt service for four (4) large paving projects totaling \$483,000 financed over twelve years. Orchard St paving and St Albans St sidewalks were removed from the project plans for 2019. Staff also updated the Board that the audited financial statements from 2018 actual expenditures resulted in a surplus of \$25,582 which has been carried forward to reduce the amount of funds required to be raised by 2019 property taxes. This surplus resulted in a .0283 reduction in the estimated rate required to fund this updated 2019 budget. The Board was satisfied with the draft budget as presented and did not ask for any further revisions.

Leonard Charron made the motion to approve the budget as presented to the Board with a general fund total expenditure of \$1,289,985, of which \$524,968 is to be raised by property tax with a proposed tax rate of 0.5425. Seconded by Sam Vaillancourt. Unanimously approved.

Jon Elwell asked the Board to select a date and location to conduct the required information meeting that would be associated with the Australian ballot item asking for Voter approval of the proposed paving project financing for twelve (12) years. The Board agreed to holding the meeting on Monday, March 11, 2019 at 6:30pm with a planned location of the Enosburg Falls High School auditorium, pending confirmation of availability, or if necessary, the Emergency Services Building as an alternate location.

4. Other Business

Mr Elwell informed the Board that Ellen Ste Marie does not intend to run for a new term for her position on the Board. Mr Elwell also informed the Board that Walter Scott passed away on January 26, 2019. Leonard Charron suggested that Staff send flowers on behalf of the Village. Guy Breault asked if there was any new update on the pending bearing replacement on Hydro Plant #1. Mr Elwell reported that there was no new information on the repair. Sam Vaillancourt asked if there was any update on the finalizing of the contract with Kingsbury for the Hydro Plant #1 project. Mr Elwell

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reported that there was no new information but that both parties' attorneys had been sharing information.

5. Executive Session

Sam Vaillancourt wished to discuss an item concerning negotiations in which premature public knowledge may compromise the position of the municipality and therefore made the motion to enter Executive Session at 7:12pm. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimously approved.

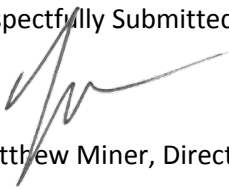
Guy Breault made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Sam Vaillancourt. Unanimously approved. The Board re-entered their Regular Meeting at 7:37pm.

No actions were taken as a result of Executive Session.

6. Adjourn

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Sam Vaillancourt made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:38pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Matthew Miner, Director of Finance

***These minutes were approved by the Board of Trustees at a Regular Board Meeting on February 12, 2019.***