

Minutes
VILLAGE OF ENOSBURG FALLS
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
June 23, 2020

Present: Trustees - Sam Vaillancourt, Leonard Charron, Jason Larose, Heather Moore, Cindi Miner
Staff – Jonathan Elwell, Matthew Miner
Guests – Jim Cameron

This meeting was held electronically via Zoom Meeting

Meeting called to order by Sam Vaillancourt at 6:30 pm, Matt Miner read the Electronic Meeting Disclosure and Sam Vaillancourt took roll call.

1. Modifications/Changes to Agenda

There were no changes.

2. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

3. Review/Approval of Minutes Meeting June 9, 2020

Cindi Miner made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 9 Meeting of the Board of Trustees as written. Seconded by Jason Larose. Unanimously approved.

4. Enosburgh Initiative Report

Jim Cameron reported to the Board on five subjects:

- More than the required \$10,500 was raised toward the installation of the new fence around the Doughboy statue in Lincoln Park which exceeded the total cost of the fence installation. This surplus combined with contributions from the American Legion and Town of Enosburgh have accounted for 80% of the \$11,000 fund-raising goal for the refurbishment of the statue. El has also discussed the desire to improve the lighting in the park and is investigating the possibility of updating the fixtures on the existing poles to something more historically appropriate, while improving lighting quality. There has also been discussion about the need for public restrooms for visitors in the downtown vicinity and Mr Cameron asked the Board to consider portable toilets in the park. The Board asked staff to investigate options and cost and report back to the Board for future consideration. Mr Cameron indicated that the American Legion has given permission for volunteers to repaint the flag poles behind the statue which belong to the Legion and he asked the Board if there was any objection to this, no objection was raised.
- Mr Cameron reminded the Board that there are three bike repair stations available for installation in Enosburgh Falls and one is planned for Lincoln Park, one along the Rail Trail and the group is looking for suggestions and input on where the third station should be located.
- Work continues at the Masonic Temple restoration thanks to the efforts of Dave and Sally Tryhorn. Focus will be on the East side of the building and plans are in place to construct a new roof over the main entrance.
- Work is planned to begin in July at the Opera House to complete some high work repairs.

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- Mr Cameron wanted to bring attention to the new dumpster enclosure installed by the American Legion which is a significant aesthetic improvement.

5. Manager's Report

Mr. Elwell reported to the Board on three items.

- Mr Elwell provided an update on COVID-19 topics. Work continues to reopen businesses in VT although some sectors are facing significant requirements to ensure public safety. Patients at hospitals and elder care facilities are now allowed to have up to two visitors per day and the limit on attendance at outdoor events has been raised from 25 to 150 persons. The State of Emergency has been extended to July 15, 2020.
- There is a DRB Hearing scheduled for June 24, 2020 and the public is invited to attend via Zoom. Of particular note for the Board is the Tractor Supply application on the agenda and Mr Elwell, Gary Denton and Brian Ovitt will be representing the Village on this item.
- The Enosburg Falls Vital Village Plan has received the "Plan of the Year" award from the Vermont Planners Association for 2020. Only one award is given annually, and this is the highest honor a planning project can receive in Vermont. More details regarding an official press release will be forthcoming.

6. Other Business

Cindi Miner raised a concern regarding the tall grass at the Armory property. Since the State of VT still owns the property, it was suggested she contact our State Representative Felicia Leffler.

Mr Elwell presented to the Board an application for a Lawn Sale to be held in Maple Park on June 27, 2020 which was received after the Board's agenda and packet had been prepared. Mr Elwell believes that the proposed event can be conducted within current COVID-19 restrictions. The Board discussed the application and agreed to approve it with conditions that the applicant follow all COVID-19 requirements and provide proof of insurance naming the Village as additionally insured.

Leonard Charron made the motion to approve the Maple Park application from the United Methodist Church to hold a lawn sale on Maple Park on June 27th from 6:30am – 3:00pm with the conditions noted. Seconded by Cindi Miner. Unanimously approved.

Leonard Charron asked if the streetlight replacement project was moving forward and staff reported the lights were ordered immediately after receiving Board approval for the project and they are expected to be received soon, with a goal to complete installation in July.

7. Executive Session: For the Purpose of Discussing Negotiations in which Premature Public Knowledge may Compromise the Position of the Municipality.

Heather Moore made the motion to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations in which premature public knowledge may compromise the position of the municipality at 7:24 pm. Seconded by Jason Larose. Unanimously approved.

Cindi Miner made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Heather Moore. Unanimously approved. The Board re-entered their Regular Meeting at 8:12 pm.

No action was taken as a result of executive session.

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8. Adjourn

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Jason Larose made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Cindi Miner. Unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Matthew Miner, Director of Finance

These minutes were approved by the Board of Trustees at a Regular Board Meeting on July 14, 2020.