## VILLAGE OF ENOSBURG FALLS and TOWN OF ENOSBURGH Special Meeting of the Village Board of Trustees and Town Selectboard November 23, 2021

Present: Trustees -Samuel Vaillancourt, Heather Moore, Sandra Ferland, Eli Gabuzda, Leonard Charron Selectboard – Polly Rico, Larry Gervais, Philip Robtoy, Pierre Letourneau, Dean Wright Staff – Jonathan Elwell, Abbey Miller, David Westcom

Guests – Shawna Lovelette, Jesse Woods, Josh Prior (NWTV), Shaleigh Draper, Billie Jo Draper, Ward Heneveld, Ellen Stanley, Jim Cameron, Tim Smith, Cindy Weed, Diane Leary, Amy Brewer, David Tryhorne, Sean Kio

Meeting was called to order by Samuel Vaillancourt, Chair at 6:33pm.

## 1. Modifications/Changes to Agenda

There were no modifications to the agenda.

## 2. Public Comment

Ward Heneveld was present to discuss the Federal ARPA Funds that both the Town of Enosburgh and the Village of Enosburg have received. Mr. Heneveld requested that at the next joint meeting the ARPA Funds be on the agenda to allow for public input and expressed that he would like to see the Town and the Village come together and combine the funds for the benefit of both entities. Both the Trustees and the Selectboard Members agreed to put this topic on the next agenda

## 3. Law Enforcement Contract

Selectboard Chair Larry Gervais reviewed the current contract with the Franklin County Sheriff's Department. He stated that when they initially received a proposed contract, the proposal reflected significant increases prompting the Town to request a modified contract covering 5 days verses the proposed 7 days. Mr. Gervais stated that the 7-day proposed contract was a 40% increase over what they had previously paid for the same amount of coverage. It was stated that there is the option to add more time this summer with the SRO, but that it would cost both entities more money. Both the Selectboard members and the Trustees agreed that when the next Law Enforcement contract comes up for renewal to hold a joint meeting prior so there can be more discussion about law enforcement contract.

## 4. Presentation from Vermont Youth Project

Heather Moore and Amy Brewer gave a presentation on the results of Youth Survey's that had been done in October of 2020 and to update both boards on things that are being done within the school and community to address some of the responses. The presentation also showed how the numbers have changed from year to year regarding substance use amongst 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders.

## 5. Other Business

Board of Trustee Chair Sam Vaillancourt asked if the Town had an update on the Town offices moving to the Armory building. Selectboard members stated that they have received a grant for the materials, and they are waiting EPA results before they can begin with necessary

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renovations. They stated that they do not have any real thoughts as to what they are going to do with the current building once the move is complete as they are holding off making any plans until they are in the new building.

## 6. Adjourn

Having no other business, Eli Gabuzda made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Sandra Ferland. Unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.

Pierre Letourneau made a motion for Town Selectboard members to adjourn. Seconded by Philip Robtoy. Unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 7:25.

Respectfully Submitted,

Abbey Miller
Director of Finance

These minutes were approved by the Board of Trustees at a Regular Board Meeting on December 14, 2021.