

**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**VILLAGE OF ENOSBURG FALLS**  
**Meeting of the Board of Trustees**  
**May 24, 2022**

Present: Sam Vaillancourt, Heather Moore, Eli Gabuzda, Sandra Ferland, Leonard Charron

Staff – Abbey Miller, Gary Denton

Guests – Brian Dawicki (NWTV), John Dasaro

Meeting was called to order by Sam Vaillancourt at 6:33 PM

1. Modifications/Changes to Agenda

There were no changes.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. Review/Approval Minutes May 10, 2022, Meeting.

A motion was made by Leonard Charron to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Sandra Ferland. Unanimous.

4. Park Use and Band Stand Permit, Enosburg Falls Middle School

A motion was made by Heather Moore to approve both the Park Use Permit and the Band Stand Permit for the Enosburg Falls Middle School Graduation, waiving any fee. Seconded by Sandra Ferland. Unanimous.

5. Park Use Permit, Enosburgh Public Library

A motion was made by Eli Gabuzda to approve the Park Use Permit for the Enosburg Public Library, waiving any fee. Seconded by Heather Moore. Unanimous.

6. Elm Street Sidewalk

Finance Director Abbey Miller and Public Works Director Gary Denton offered an update after taking part in a couple of meetings with the State of Vermont and NRPC. The State is willing to let us work on a redesign of the Elm Street Project, changing the scope of the initial proposed project. The Trustees advised Gary and Abbey to continue moving forward with the alternate option and redesign.

7. Staff Report

- Low Income Rate – the PUC is pushing for utilities to offer a low-income rate to customers. This has been an ongoing debate for the last 11-12 years. VPPSA is responding on behalf of all members based upon Board of Directors direction. There will be more to come on this in the coming weeks.
- Hydro Generation – Abbey Miller provided the Trustees with a financial report that shows how much the Village Hydro #1 produced and what the monetary value of that was. Abbey also spoke to the volatility of the energy market and that she would like schedule a sit down with VPPSA before budget season to start talking about options for the winter months.

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- Department Head Meeting – Per the Trustees request, all department heads met on May 19<sup>th</sup> to start discussing the 2023 budget season as well as to start planning and thinking about capital projects.
- Historical Society – Abbey Miller contacted Jeffrey Bryant, Assistant Fire Marshall in our area, regarding the status of the Historical Society. He confirmed that he gave the verbal okay for the building to be open if guests are signing in and out and occupancy is kept at a minimum. Abbey will forward the final report once it is received.
- Drinking Fountain in Lincoln Park – The Highway Department would like to know if we are turning on the drinking fountain in the park. The Trustees stated yes, they would like it on and discussed a couple of repairs that needed to be made to it.
- Bridge of Flowers and Lights – Gary Denton has reached out to teacher Kim St. Pierre, and she advised her, and her students would love to plant the flowers this year. They will be coming on May 31<sup>st</sup> to plant the flowers.
- Finance Director July Vacation – Abbey Miller stated that she will be out of town for the first meeting in July and will be off for the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting but will be in State and able to attend.

8. Other Business

Leonard Charron asked if there was a firearms ordinance in the Village after receiving a complaint from a resident about a neighbor shooting at a fox. Gary Denton stated he did not believe there was one and they should contact law enforcement.

Heather Moore wanted to know if we could reach out to the various boards within Enosburg and see if we can get an update as to where the status of any projects or plans.

Heather also asked Abbey Miller if she had reached out to the principals for the schools regarding the crosswalk project on Main Street at Dickinson – Abbey stated she had not, but that she would be happy to.

There was discussion again about what can be done about residents needing a place to dispose of leaf and branch debris with spring clean ups. Heather stated that she knows Bakersfield is an option, but what options are there for people who cannot transport these items to Bakersfield. Sam suggested checking with the Town to see if they had anything or anything budgeted for things like this.

9. Adjourn

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Sandra Ferland made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Eli Gabuzda. The meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Abbey Miller  
Director of Finance

***These minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Trustees at a Regular Board Meeting.***