

VILLAGE OF ENOSBURG FALLS
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
June 28, 2022

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

Staff – John Dasaro, Abbey Miller

Guests – Hunter Parah (NWTN), Sheriff Roger Langevin, William Gleason, Susan Jette, Andre Jette, Kerri Fortin, Dean Fortin, Pierre Godin, Gwen O’Looney, Jim McKinstry, Melissa McKinstry, Rafael Antillon

Meeting was called to order by Sam Vaillancourt at 6:30 PM

1. Modifications/Changes to Agenda

There were no changes.

2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

3. Review/Approval Minutes June 14, 2022, Meeting.

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

4. Water Tower Road Speeding Discussion

Several residents of Water Tower Road were present to discuss concerns with the speed of farm trucks and other vehicles on Water Tower Road. Sheriff Langevin was present and there was discussion back and forth about this being an ongoing problem and if there could be an increase in law enforcement presence. Sheriff Langevin stated he is receiving these complaints from all towns but will increase enforcement on Water Tower Road and will go directly to the owner of the farm trucks and have a discussion. The Trustees thanked the residents for coming in.

5. ARPA Funds

Village Manager John Dasaro brought up some ideas for use of the Village’s ARPA funds. There was discussion about using some of the funds to pave Maple Park and to redo the Lower Church Street sidewalk and then using funds towards Electric Department projects as there are not as many funding opportunities available for that department. The Trustee’s asked for updated quotes for Maple Park and Church Street for the July 26th meeting to continue the discussion.

6. Manager’s Report

- Electric Department Rate Case – After a meeting with Steve Farman, it has been decided to pursue a 2% “short cut” increase for 2022 and reevaluate the need for a full rate case in 2023.
- Waste Water Department Lawn Mower – we received our new electric lawn mower today for the Waste Water Department. With utilizing a VPPSA rebate, we were able to stay well under budget. Thank you to Green’s Ace Hardware for working with us on this purchase.

7. Other Business

VILLAGE OF ENOSBURG FALLS
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
June 28, 2022

Finance Director Abbey Miller stated that the NEPPA conference is going to be held in Stowe this year and that both her and John would like to attend 2 of the days and was looking for final approval to enroll both John and Abbey for the conference this year – the Trustee’s approved both attending.

Abbey Miller updated the Trustees on a meeting that was held that morning with Cindy Weed regarding the Historical Society. A walk through is planned for next week and a plan is in motion to make the repairs/upgrades out lined in the Fire Marshall’s report. The Trustee’s ok’d Abbey Miller staying active with this project and overseeing work completed.

Rafael Antillon, manager of TD Bank was present to discuss suspicious activity around the bank with heavy foot traffic to a residence on Main Street. He stated people are utilizing their parking lot that are not bank customers. Mr. Antillon stated he has contacted law enforcement and security officials with TD Bank but wanted to make the Trustees aware. The Trustees thank him for being diligent and advised him to keep contacting law enforcement as much as possible.

8. Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Negotiations in which Premature Public Knowledge May Compromise the Position of the Municipality and for Discussion Personnel

Eli Gabuzda made a motion to enter Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Negotiations in which Premature Public Knowledge May Compromise the Position of the Municipality and for Discussion of Personnel matters. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimous. The Board entered Executive Session at 7:38pm.

Eli Gabuzda made a motion to re-enter the Board’s Regular Meeting. Seconded by Sandra Ferland. The Board re-entered their Regular Meeting at 8:44pm.

There was no action taken as a result of Executive Session.

9. Adjourn

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Eli Gabuzda made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Leonard Charron. The meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Abbey Miller
Director of Finance

These minutes were approved by the Board of Trustees at a Regular Board Meeting on July 26, 2022.