## VILLAGE OF ENOSBURG FALLS Meeting of the Board of Trustees January 10, 2023

Present: Sam Vaillancourt, Eli Gabuzda, Sandra Ferland, Heather Moore, Leonard Charron Staff – John Dasaro, Abbey Miller

Guests – JR Cox (NWTV), Shirley Duso, David Gervais

Meeting was called to order by Sam Vaillancourt at 6:35 PM

#### 1. Modifications/Changes to Agenda

Under Review of minutes, remove the second 12/13 under joint minutes.

#### 2. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

### 3. Review/Approve Minutes December 13, 2022, and Joint Meeting Dates July 20<sup>th</sup>, October 26<sup>th</sup> and November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

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

#### 4. Historical Society Review from Shirley

Shirley Duso and David Gervais were present to discuss updates on the Historical Society. They shared with the board that they were the recipients of a \$20,000 grant to go towards the roof replacement on the Historical Society, but also stated that there was close to \$40,000 in repairs that needed to be done to the roof structure before replacement could be considered. After further discussion, Sam Vaillancourt stated that the Village would add a \$10,000 line item in the General Fund budget towards the repairs since the Village owns the building. This budget will be voted on in March.

#### 5. Pleasant Valley Digester Letter Sign Off

A motion was made by Eli Gabuzda to support the Vermont Gas and Pleasant Valley Digester project with lines running through Enosburg Falls and to allow Sam Vaillancourt to sign off on the support letter. Seconded by Sandra Ferland. Unanimous.

#### 6. Sign off on Change to John Dasaro for CWSRF

A motion was made by Sandra Ferland to authorize John Dasaro to be the authorized signer and contact for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund. Seconded by Heather Moore. Unanimous.

#### 7. AMI Financing

Abbey Miller presented option for financing for the AMI project. After discussion of options, a motion was made by Sandra Ferland to approve financing with Peoples Trust Company. Seconded by Heather Moore. Unanimous.

#### 8. Annual Report/Annual Meeting Discussion

The Annual Meeting for the Village of Enosburg Falls is set for March 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the Village of Enosburg Falls. It was determined that we do not need an informational meeting this year. Discussion on the dedication of the 2022 Annual Report was decided to dedication would be to Village of Enosburg Falls Employees.

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#### 9. Abbey, Finance Director/Budget Reviews

Discussion of 2023 budgets continued, reviewing budgets for all departments. Abbey Miller stated we were waiting on a couple of figures from the Auditors and that we would be set to approve budgets at the January 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### 10. Manager's Report

- Storm Elliot John Dasaro wanted to share a big thank you to all staff and community members who helped support our crews during the Christmas Storm!
- Junk and Garbage Ordinance update, move to discuss at the next joint meeting. Ordinance is for the Village and to be enforced by the Zoning Administrator.
- Solar Project Update
- Moving hybrid trustee meetings to a Team's platform from Zoom.

#### 11. Other Business

John Dasaro asked to visit the Wastewater allocation of \$2,997 and to round it up to \$3,000 per office staff request for accounting. A motion was made by Eli Gabuzda to make a wastewater allocation \$3,000.00. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimous.

Board members asked for an update regarding our Flashing Speed limit sign that was hit and broken on Water Tower Road back in November. There has been no luck in determining who was driving the vehicle and Board Members advised Abbey Miller to file an insurance claim. Heather Moore asked for an update on the Vermont Healthy Communities that was discussed last meeting, John Dasaro advised that he had reached out and filled out the forms to be come members.

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

The Board entered Executive Session at 8:13pm.

Municipality. Seconded by Sandra Ferland. Unanimous.

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 9:14pm.

As a result of Executive Session Eli Gabuzda made a motion to accept the Lease Agreement as written with Encore Renewables. Seconded by Heather Moore. Unanimous.

As a result of Executive Session Eli Gabuzda made a motion to add an adjustment to budgets to increase the Trustees salary to match what the Enosburgh Town is paid. Seconded by Sandra Ferland. Unanimous.

#### 13. Adjourn

There being no other business to come before the Board at this time, Eli Gabuzda made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Heather Moore. The meeting adjourned at 9:17pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Abbey Miller Director of Finance

These minutes were approved by the Board of Trustees at a Regular Board Meeting on January 24, 2023.