

DRAFT MINUTES
VILLAGE OF ENOSBURG FALLS
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
July 11, 2023

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

Staff – John Dasaro, Abbey Miller

Guests –Ben Chiappinelli (NWTV), Alex Frederich, Brenda Stanley, Diane Leary, Chris Casvant, John and Jenny McDonald, Nonnie Muehlenhaupt

Meeting was called to order by Sam Vaillancourt at 6:31 PM

1. Modifications/Changes to Agenda
Addition of Speed Sign placement, Water request for Spavin Cure building, Brenda Stanley with Free Library Request for Lincoln Park
2. Public Comment
Diane Leary was present to state that she had heard the Village was discussing allowing ATVs in the Village and she feels it is a bad idea for several reasons; they are not meant to be on paved roads along with the noise and safety concerns.
3. Review/Approve Regular Meeting Minutes June 13, 2023.
With a name that needs to be updated and spelling change to item #4, a motion was made by Eli Gabuzda to approve the minutes with the modifications. Seconded by Sandra Ferland. Unanimous.
- 4A. Enosburgh Public Library, Free Library Request, Brenda Stanley
Brenda Stanley was present to request permission to place a free library in Lincoln Park. Brenda stated that they have received funding from the Lions Club in the amount of \$1,000 to build the libraries. The Trustees stated they supported this idea and would like to see it on the Main Street side of the park closer to a tree or fence, so it works with maintenance of the park easier. The Board asked for a Parks Use Permit to be submitted prior to installation and Brenda stated that she would coordinate with John and Ken LaPlant regarding the placement.
- 4B. Flashing Speed Signs
Discussion was centered around where to move one of the Speed Signs – The Trustees stated they would like the sign on Elm Street moved to Church Street.
- 4C. Spavin Cure Water Request
A motion was made by Eli Gabuzda to approve the request for the Spavin Cure to hook onto the Village's water for their sprinkler system. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimous.
- 4D. Abundant Life Fellowship Park Use Permit
A motion was made by Sandra Ferland to approve the Parks Use Permit for the Abundant Life Fellowship, waiving any fee. Seconded by Leonard Charron. Unanimous.
5. Light Department Truck, 104 Body Work Appraisal
A motion was made by Eli Gabuzda to waive the procurement policy and approve AK Auto's estimate for the body work to be done on Truck 104. Seconded by Sandra Ferland. Unanimous.

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6. To Pursue Fully Opening the Bridge of Flowers and Lights
Village Manager John Dasaro brought up previous discussion about fully opening the Bridge of Flower and Lights to Pedestrians and that the Village had received guidance from our insurance company. John asked the Trustees if they wanted to continue pursuing this matter and the Trustees stated yes, they would like to move forward on this and get estimates and details on how it would work logistically.

7. Stairs to band stand
Sam Vaillancourt asked for this item to be on the agenda as he would like to see the Village move forward with putting the stairs back on the front of the band stand using funds recently acquired from a settlement.

8. Manager's Report
 - Speed bumps – update on the feedback about the speed bumps on Orchard Street. There were a couple of Orchard Street residents present to provide feedback.
 - Crosswalk Painting – Estimated time frame of completion is early August.
 - Work will begin on West Berkshire Road water line replacement on Monday 7/17
 - A&E – we have confirmed plans and designs for the Maple Park sewer line project starting at the beginning of Augst. And the Elm Street sewer lining and water line replacement project is on track for next summer.

9. Other Business
Director of Finance Abbey Miller stated thanks to the volunteers of the Garden Club, they were able to get the pollinator garden planted at the entrance of the Bridge of Flowers and Lights. The plan is to meet the Garden Club on the 22nd of July to mulch around the plants.

10. Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Negotiations 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 Municipality and for the discussion of a Personnel Matter. Seconded by Heather Moore. Unanimous.
The Board entered Executive Session at 8:00PM.

Eli Gabuzda made a motion to re-enter the Board's Regular Meeting. Seconded by Leonard Charron. The Board re-entered their Regular Meeting at 8:47pm.

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

11. 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 was adjourned at 8:50pm.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Abbey Miller
Director of Finance

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