

EMERALD LAKE VILLAGE DISTRICT NOVEMBER 5, 2004 MONTHLY MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM with Chairman, Ray Stankunas, Co-Chairman, Dick Adams and Commissioner Paul Sylvia present.

Watershed Protection: The majority surrounds Gould Pond and Emerald Lake. We have no land use authority under EPA. We asked the State Representatives to come in and help us with this. Larry Elliott came in and asked if we had been through the town. We have. He asked if we would have to set up our own zoning. Larry Elliott will bring this to the Legislature after we talk to the town. Suggested for Nov. 10th. Sign off by Dec. 8th. Larry Elliott requested a copy from the attorney, specifically for this District or Districts in the State. Ask Bernie Waugh (Attorney) to contact Larry Elliott in order to protect Groundwater, Lake and the water itself to avoid contamination. Larry Elliott would be in favor of Legislation to vote on this. Ed Gross of Woodpecker Construction would like a copy of the draft as well. Water Board may be invited to the next meeting to help if they have the authority to do so. Speak to Jim Coffey to invite Water Commissions to the next meeting.

Treatment System: As of now, our equipment is pretty much complete in Georgia. Tom Kuck and other contractors are being looked at to raise the roof. The screens need to be lifted out so that the roof can be raised. This should be done in a couple of weeks. Single door will be 7' 2" for delivery. Concrete floor needs to be done. Ongoing dialog with Tata & Howard. Money area - talk about floating a bond. This will go up for vote. Hopefully this will be completed at the end of the year. Questioned whether this was put out to bid. Answer was no, Tata & Howard had the right price and professional talent at their presentation. The terms of work on the Meeting House or who will do it has not been determined yet. Presentation in January. We will be the second water suppliers in the State. Questioned as to whether we went through the Town or State, yes, Paul Sylvia went down and asked questions. The Town under State law does not have to take us in on town water.

WIP:

- Just received water quality notices and they will be mailed out.
- DRA -MS 35 is complete and sent in to the State.
- Audit - Ready to send in soon. Next status check will be in February.
- Hummingbird - Land on Meagan Lane properties. Asking for resources to tell us what it is going to cost for this project. We get a value for property worth. Intending to get a piece for value of this land. Eminent Domain. Incumbent upon this board to speak to people so they can understand what is being said. Ed Gross (Woodpecker Development) said that he called Dick Adams with no response. Dick Adams claimed that he left 2 messages on Ed Gross's answering machine. Ed Gross claims he never received them and he and his partner are still interested to do this. Ed Gross will need an appraisal and compare it to the board's appraisal. This was discussed at the Annual meeting and has been on the agenda in the past. Ed Gross will contact Ray Stankunas.
- Road Standards/ Driveways - Revisit in February.
- Water Rules - There are a lot of areas that we can adopt other procedures. Bernie Waugh sent suggestions by e-mail and a new draft will be made up.
- Mary Rowe Well water main- Need to work on this along with the bond.
- Water fee Structure - February.
- Berrypatch Lane - Changes have been made by Bernie Waugh.
- Dig Safe - Ongoing, need to see more information on this. Revisit in February.
- Park Repairs - Purchase some equipment this year and the rest next year. Revisit in March.
- Yard Sale Signs - Revisit in February.
- Hillsboro water - Revisit next year.

- Road Signs - Paul Sylvia has some in his truck.
- Storage Tank - 2005-2006 Not assigned yet.

Permits:

Paul Sylvia stated that the permits that are approved or will be approved may not get installed this year. He suggested that we contact them and let them know that they can have their money back and apply next year for approval. Dick Adams stated that the cut off was Nov. 1st. Paul suggested that we make it a blanket that they have the option to withdraw. Dick Adams said that he will call them.

David Stephanelli applied for a connection and paid for it. Move to return his money. Ray Stankunas will write a memo to the Treasurer. When we find they have a connection they will automatically be put on the water bill. Motion made by Paul Sylvia, seconded by Dick Adams, Ray Stankunas recused himself. 2/0

Vacant lot on end of Spring Street wants a permit for a driveway. Dick Adams will pursue this.

A note from Treasurer that someone overpaid on their permit. Ray Stankunas moved that we pay the difference back.

Road standards for driveways - Revisit in February

Road Signs:

Paul Sylvia has some in his truck.

Minutes:

Minutes were read by the Secretary. Dick Adams motioned to approve with one change, Paul Sylvia seconded, Approved with correction. Minutes Processing Procedure: Procedures were made. E-mail or fax to Newspapers. Motion to adopt was made by Dick Adams, seconded by Paul Sylvia approved 3/0.

Payment Manifests:

Treasurer read reports. Water funds are not in from Town yet. Payroll should be on Article 5, New accounts should be under Article 2. Jerry Burnham will pull invoice and see how it was written. And make changes to these and other issues that need change. Jerry Burnham announced that he will not run for Treasurer next year and will help to train someone in December. Ellie Misso will begin to pay bills now. Jerry to sign checks on approval of manifests. Jerry Burnham advised that Sovereign Bank has a good e-banking system and can also issue reports free of charge. Review it with auditors. DRA number is key, Paul Sylvia suggested that DRA may have a program to use for reports also.

NEW BUSINESS:

Police coverage is a public safety concern. Due to shortage of Police people are questioning it. Dick Adams suggested that we police our own area, the Commissioners have authority. Could we use a Commissioner? Gould Pond Road is a Town Road, we have no jurisdiction over it. Authority under our Charter is under a Warrant Article, put out a proposal and vote.

Joyce Coidakis stated that Police said that our roads are not up to code, so they can't enforce them. She also brought up that speed limit signs were supposed to be posted and it has not happened. Ray Stankunas sated that our roads are public roads and can be speed limited and enforced. Dick Adams will make an appointment to talk to the Police Chief on this matter.

Budget/Bond Hearings:

Bernie Waugh said that we need a separate hearing on budget or bond. Schedule budget followed by Bond hearing. Seven days prior notice in papers, post dates. Post Warrant on January 6th.

Road Regulation Hearing:

According to Attorney Bernie Waugh we can inhibit weight limits on roads. Too technical right now, revisit in Spring. Ray Stankunas will draft a letter for review by the Attorney and then the Board.

Water Ordinance/WIP: Revisit in February.

Junkyard on Emerald Drive? Have someone look at it to see if it qualifies as a junkyard. People are living in Trailers under accessory use. Visit parties involved.. Ray Stankunas will schedule a time and Paul Sylvia will visit or contact them. Motion by Paul Sylvia, seconded by Ray Stankunas. Dick Adams recused himself. 2/0

Discussion on road damage from Skidders, etc. revisit in February

Question as to whether the area around mailboxes can be graded before winter. Dick Adams stated that was graded last Sunday by Commissioner Stankunas.

Ben Molinari still asking for checklist of voters and Dec 2003 minutes. Joyce Coidakis Said that she did not have them.

Dick Adams moved to adjourn @ 8:30 PM, seconded by Ray Stankunas, approved by all, 3/0

Respectfully submitted,
Eleanor W. Misso
Secretary

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