

Emerald Lake Village District



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EMERALD LAKE VILLAGE DISTRICT May, 2005 Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM with Commissioners Richard Adams and Joseph Statkus and Chairman Ray Stankunas present.

The Board reviewed progress of the Meetinghouse water treatment facility. The facility is completed and ready for operation, upon repair of leak in chemical injection pit.

Once the treatment system becomes operational, the Mary Rowe well will be shut off; the Meetinghouse well will be on manual and run continually. The Mary Rowe well will only be utilized, if necessary, in high activity periods.

The Board reviewed the new water notice received from the Department of Environmental Services, which will be sent to district residents.

The Board discussed current water abatement issues. It appears that several residents were inadvertently double-billed by the Town. Chairman Stankunas is investigating the matter. Commissioner Adams motioned to approve water abatements for Jeffrey Smith and Lemay Excavation, seconded by Chairman Stankunas, approved by 3-0 vote.

The following permits were reviewed:

Donald and Elaine Littlefield, Midnight Walk, Water and Driveway:

Driveway Permit: Chairman Stankunas motioned to approve Driveway Permit, seconded by Commissioner Adams, approved by 3-0 vote.

Water Permit: Chairman Stankunas motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Adams, approved by 3-0 vote.

Drew Carter, Pine Glen Road, Water and Driveway:

Commissioner Adams motioned to deny permits due to lack of septic plan, seconded by Commissioner Statkus, denied by 3-0 vote. (To be approved upon submission of septic plan.)

Jesus Is The Answer Ministries (3 lots) Huntington Drive, Water and Driveway:

Commissioner Adams recused from vote. Chairman Stankunas motioned to approve permits, seconded by Commissioner Statkus, approved by 2-0 vote, 1 absention.

Dennis and Marianne Giakoumis, Rabbit Path, Driveway:

Commissioner Adams motioned to approve on condition that a ditch line and culvert shall be place on Rabbit Path and

a ditch line on Moccasin Trail, seconded by Chairman Stankunas, approved by 3-0 vote.

Brent Clark, Melody Lane, Water and Driveway:

Driveway Permit: Melody Lane is a Town road. The Board directed the secretary to return the permit and application fee to Mr. Clark directing him to file it with the Town. Water Permit: Chairman Stankunas motioned to approve, seconded by Commissioner Adams, approved by 3-0 vote.

The Board discussed the addressing of driveway problems on town-owned roads within the District. Commissioner Adams suggested meeting with Selectmen and having the District establish a cooperative approval process for driveway construction located on Town roads within the District. Chairman Stankunas expressed a desire to maintain the present working relationship the District has with the Town Highway Department and allowing the driveway matters to remain as they are. Commissioner Adams motioned to meet with Selectmen in the matter of establishing a cooperative District/Town driveway permit approval process. Motion failed for lack of a second.

The Payment Manifests for the periods of 4/16/05 to 4/29/05 and 4/30/05 to 5/6/05 were reviewed and approved by a 3-0 vote on motion of Commissioner Adams, seconded by Commissioner Statkus.

Chairman Stankunas informed the Board that Map 14, Lot 376 will be undergoing building construction and that the lot already has a water hookup on it.

Chairman Stankunas discussed culvert tampering by a Seminole Road resident. Chairman Stankunas disconnected make-shift piping the resident had used to divert the culvert. The resident put back the piping and covered the area with branches and debris. The resident in question informed Chairman Stankunas that he had permission from the State to do so. Chairman Stankunas asked the resident for a written statement from the State and resident was not able to produce one. Chairman Stankunas asked the resident to attend this meeting, resident agreed, however resident was not in attendance. Chairman Stankunas motioned to prepare a Wetlands Complaint with the State against the resident's activities and issue to him a Cease and Desist Order. Motion seconded by Commissioner Adams, approved by 3-0 vote.

Discussion ensued regarding the "pin-to-pin" definition of the 33 foot right-of-way on Hummingbird Lane, Alpine Way and Hemlock Street. Chairman Stankunas discussed concerns of Mr. Fitzpatrick, a resident of Hummingbird Lane, that his landscaping and plantings near the roadway might be disturbed or destroyed by District road construction.

Chairman Stankunas motioned to install culverts on Midnight Walk and Emerald Drive and replace a culvert on Rainbow's End, seconded by Commissioner Statkus, approved by 3-0 vote.

Tom Kuck discussed his concerns of the culvert on his recently purchased property on Birch Tree Lane. He asked the Board if a catch basin could be installed. The Board advised that the District does not install catch basins. Chairman Stankunas advised Mr. Kuck that he will need a ditch line and culvert for the property. Chairman Stankunas asked Mr. Kuck to submit a proposal for water/culvert issues at his property and the Board would review it.

Commissioner Adams motioned that the District's emergency water conservation plan could be acted upon without a special meeting of the Board, seconded by Commissioner Statkus, approved by 3-0 vote. Chairman Stankunas was authorized to issue the Water Emergency Plan as needed.

Commissioner Statkus and Secretary Sharon Lindstrom updated the status of the Roadside Clean-up Day set for May 21st.

Chairman Stankunas advised Board of Tata & Howard's final punch list for well treatment facility. Chairman Stankunas discussed issues not on the punch list, particularly issues with Penta that still needed to be addressed. He advised that Adedge's work was complete.

Chairman Stankunas discussed the failure of the Article 2 bond and advised on funds availability for the District. The Mary Rowe water main project will be delayed until next year's Annual Meeting.

The Board signed letters of appreciation to Keith and Paula Mello, Lyndsay Mello and Ryan Cullinane for their help with the Eastman Park clean-up.

Chairman Stankunas advised of a sewage complaint on Huntington Drive. Complaint was forwarded to Health Officer James Coffey.

Chairman Stankunas advised that the Huntington Road hydrant showed no signs of bacteria in its latest test.

The Board reviewed a subdivision plan for the new well site and directed the Secretary to set up conceptual meetings with the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Chairman Stankunas reviewed a letter from Tata & Howard regarding changes and request for payment from Penta. Chairman Stankunas will discuss the electric disconnect box issue with Tata & Howard.

The Board reviewed the contract from MuniSmart. Commissioner Adams motioned to approved contract and have Chairman Stankunas sign, seconded by Commissioner Statkus, approved by 3-0 vote.

Chairman Stankunas discussed a request by a resident to use Eastman Park for a private birthday party on June 6th. The Board discussed whether or not individuals needed District approval for personal events at Eastman Park. Commissioner Adams expressed that District should ensure there would be no alcohol involved in such events and suggested one of the Board members stop by and check any organized events that take place on District beaches.

Tom Kuck discussed various issues of building code violations taking place in the District. Mr. Kuck inquired if the Board might be able to facilitate a policy ensuring that the Town building inspector follows up on and remedies code violation matters within the District. Discussion ensued regarding the District's pending Senate Bill 80 which will allow the District more involvement in protecting the cleanliness and integrity of the District. Chairman Stankunas requested Mr. Kuck to submit to the Board a list of properties which he believed were in violation of building codes and the Board will review and discuss.

The Board adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Lindstrom, District Secretary

Approved:

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Raymond A. Stankunas, Chairman

Richard A. Adams, Commissioner

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Joseph Statkus, Co