



## EMERALD LAKE VILLAGE DISTRICT MINUTES FROM JUNE 30, 2006, ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm, with Co-Chairs Joseph Statkus and Deborah Gilbert present.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:**

The Board went over the payment manifest. Commissioner Statkus made a motion that the payment manifest be accepted; seconded by Commissioner Gilbert. There being no further discussion, it was approved 2-0. Commissioner Statkus read the one item on the payment manifest, which was the rent check for the District office, to the residents present at the meeting.

Commissioner Statkus brought up the problems of vandalism and drinking at Eastman Park. He reported that the District has rolls of chain link fence and poles that are not being used, and with volunteers to do the labor, the park could be enclosed with a fence and gate for a minimal cost. He also spoke with Peter Mellen about surveying the park, which would cost about \$1,200 and could be done in about two weeks. This would be paid for out of the Eastman Park Trust Fund. Commissioner Statkus then made a motion that he be in charge of having the park surveyed and that a fence be installed around the park; seconded by Commissioner Gilbert. Approved 2-0.

Commissioner Statkus reported that a lien was about to be placed on the property at 18 Melody Lane for the amount of \$156.90. This was due to the previous owner not paying the water bill in October 2005. The Commissioners should have been noticed the error, as there was no water service at that time, and the District received the money from the Town in 2005. Since the deadline to avoid a lien being placed on the new owner's property was June 30, 2006, Commissioner Statkus paid the Tax Collector from his personal finances. Commissioner Statkus made a motion to refund the amount of \$156.90 to the Town of Hillsborough by reimbursing him the amount that he had already paid to the Town. Seconded by Commissioner Gilbert, and approved 2-0.

Commissioner Statkus read a letter from the Municipal Bond Bank, stating the loan money will be wired to the District's bank on July 20. The interest rate is 4.56% on the 20-year loan, and the amount the District will receive after fees are deducted is \$690,032.

Commissioner Statkus gave a recap of the water meeting that was held on May 18, 2006, with representatives from NH DES. DES recommends that the District connect to the Town water system; they estimated the cost would be about \$1 million. After speaking with Skip Edwards, Commissioner Statkus reported that Skip believes the cost would be closer to \$2 million. The District is continuing with the water projects as planned. A more direct access route from Patten Hill has been located for the purpose of drilling a test well. So far, \$10,000 to \$15,000 has been spent on permitting for the new well. An additional \$20,000 will be needed for the building of the access road, and another \$20,000 for the test well. The Commissioners also reported that residents are watering lawns in the middle of the night by using timers; they will begin doing spot checks during the night.

Commissioner Statkus announced that the outlet bridge has been closed again, at the recommendation of the State. The culvert has been too badly damaged to be safe for road traffic. Signs have been posted regarding the bridge closure. Commissioner Gilbert will call Bill Goss about borrowing barricades.

Sue Ireland, who is in charge of the Jerry Burnham memorial, announced that she will be unable to work on the project for the next several months, due to her mother's illness. Commissioner Statkus stated that the inscription for the bench should be determined, so that it can be started. The Clerk volunteered to write text for the inscription.

The water permit list was the next item on the agenda. Bob and Marie Phaneuf asked to be put on the list for 2008. Commissioner Statkus made a motion that an unofficial list for water permits for 2008 be started; seconded by Commissioner Gilbert. Approved 2-0.

Commissioner Statkus made a motion that the dumpster currently located near the treatment center be moved to Eastman Park and locked; seconded by Commissioner Gilbert. Approved 2-0. The Commissioners will empty the trash from the blue tubs located near the mailboxes into the dumpster.

Commissioner Statkus spoke with the Hillsborough Postmaster about the need for more mailboxes, which Commissioner Statkus proposes building near the treatment center. Commissioner Statkus made a motion that Peter Mellen be hired to confirm the property lines near the treatment center for the purpose of putting mailboxes there; seconded by Commissioner Gilbert. Approved 2-0.

## **QUESTION-AND-ANSWER PERIOD:**

There being no other business, Commissioner Statkus opened the meeting to questions and comments from residents.

1. There was a question as to whether the District had looked into grants to help pay to replace the water lines in the District.
2. A resident asked about selling land, wanting to know if the buyer could obtain a permit for a water hookup.
3. There was a question about the status of the heaters the District installed in the ELPOA building. Commissioner Statkus reported that Dave Pelletier is interested in purchasing them. He would need to remove them from the building, and the price would be \$235, which is half of what the District paid for them.
4. A question was asked about the lawsuit the former District secretary had brought against the District. The case is scheduled for court in March 2007. Commissioner Statkus also reported that her unemployment had been approved; the District is appealing, and he will attend the hearing.
5. The District now has an official website: [emeraldlakevillage.com](http://emeraldlakevillage.com)

There being no further business, Commissioner Statkus made a motion that the meeting be adjourned; seconded by Commissioner Gilbert. Approved 2-0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nan McCarthy, District Clerk

Approved:

Deborah Gilbert, Co-Chair  
(signature on original)

Joseph Statkus, Co Chair  
(signature on original)

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