



Emerald Lake Village District
Hillsboro, New Hampshire, 03244
Official Meeting Minutes

DISTRICT MEETING ON; October 3, 2008
Meeting came to order at: 7:00 pm
Pledge Of Allegiance. Moment of Silence for Military Personnel

Minutes read and accepted
Payment and Payroll manifest read and accepted

NEW BUSINESS

PUMP HOUSE- The trusses on the pump house will be going up this Saturday. This is all being done on a volunteer basis. \$21, 000.00 has been spent on this project so far.

MASTER PLAN- An update meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2008 at 7:00pm at the courthouse. Bob Hutchinson encourages all residents to attend.

WATER MEETING- As required by the state a water meeting was held. Joe D'Amore, Jenna Razza, Jim Coffey and Bob Hutchinson were in attendance. A full report is then sent to DES. Bob Hutchinson stated we are waiting for an acceptance report from DES regarding the results of the pump test. Bob said they are still finding large leaks in various areas of the district. It's not clear why this is happening but all leaks found are repaired. There are some leaks coming from the homes of seasonal residents. When a leak is found at one of these homes the homeowner is contacted by mail. Tricia Stefanelli suggested getting cell phone numbers from these residents so they can be called right away. Dick Baldwin suggested the Commissioners make a required list of things seasonal people need to do before they close up their homes for the season. Karen Booth asked how we could get the word out to property renters about the water ban. David Stefanelli suggested posting large signs in strategic areas of the district as other towns do. David also said people who are aware of the water ban and violate it are just morons.

INTERCONNECTION- As a DES formality a study of interconnecting the district with the town's water system was performed. Troy Cornock estimates it would cost the district about \$1,000,000,000.per mile. We would connect from the district to Old Henniker Rd. No further action is being taken as this is just a formality.

WATER ISSUES AND VIOLATIONS- It was asked if WSO has a map of the district to aid them in finding the cause of the leaks. The answer was no. Skip Edwards has been familiar with the district for many years and pretty much knows where all the pipelines are, etc. Jim Coffey will meet with district lawyer Justin Richardson when he gets back from his vacation to discuss enforcing fines on water ban violators. The Commissioners want to make sure we are fully legal before we enforce fines on residents. It was asked why DES wasn't more clear in the beginning as to how we can prosecute violators. Karen Booth asked why the Commissioners hadn't acted on this a year ago. Bob Hutchinson said "good question." As soon as Jim Coffey gets back that will be a priority. Dick Baldwin asked if the water ban notices could go out with the tax bills. Denise DeForest said that wouldn't be possible as the town hires an outside company to print and send out the tax bills. A copy of the water ban was sent out with this year's newsletter.

DISTRICT LETTERS- Bob Hutchinson sent letters to various districts to find out how many miles of road they have, are they considered municipalities, etc. He wanted to make sure we are getting what we deserve. The issue of a Treasurer holding office for 3 years came up. Easton district had a treasurer for a 3 year term until the State got word of it and that has now been changed. Legally you can only hold a 1 year Treasurer term. Bob and Denise said these other districts probably don't like us too much at this point.

PAUL SYLVIA- A letter to the town building inspector Kelly Dearborn-Luce needs to be sent in order to get Paul Sylia's house on Raven Head condemned.

BRIDGE UPDATE-Karen Booth first mentioned she wanted to let the board know they are doing a good job and then asked for a bridge update. DuBois and King have been chosen as the bridge engineers. The existing slab is fine. Expansion concrete will be used. It was explained to her that we can't go with the original plan as the state has denied us bridge aid after we were told we qualified. Residents suggested writing letters to the state expressing how we were deceived and we should be reconsidered for this aid. We will be using the FEMA money and will use our account balance if we go over. The town will be repairing the Gould Pond bridge this Spring so we need to have this bridge completed for access. New residents were asking about alternate routes to the district when the Gould Pond bridge is out. Dick Baldwin asked why we don't ask the town selectmen for help in this matter. He was told we have repeatedly in the past and the response is always no response. Several letters have been sent with no reply.

Bob Hutchinson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. Denise DeForest seconded.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Stefanelli
District Clerk

Approved By:

Bob Hutchinson

Troy Cornock

Denise DeForest

(Signatures on original)