



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

DISTRICT MEETING ON; September 5, 2008
Meeting came to order at: 7:00pm
Pledge of Allegiance. Moment of Silence for Military Personnel

ADMINISTRATIVE

Minutes from August, 2008 were read and accepted by Bob Hutchinson and seconded by Denise DeForest
Payroll and Payment Manifest read and accepted by Bob Hutchinson and seconded by Denise DeForest

NEW BUSINESS

Paul Sylvia asked the Commissioners for an abatement on his water bill. The Commissioners will discuss the matter and get back to him. He was fine with the decision.

Treasurer Sue Hutchinson stated we are now dealing with one bank only which is Ocean Bank. All checks this month were drawn from Ocean Bank.

Audit-Jim Coffey discussed the progress of the audit. The auditors would like a depreciation schedule. Jim will put all information on a spread sheet for them. Our MS 35 sheets pretty well match up with the auditors. They are now working on the MS34's which is Statement of Revenue. Jim hopes to have this all in a PDF format so anyone can view it on the ELVD website.

Water Warrant- The tax rate is set by DRA. We have to add the \$700,000.00 that was budgeted as taxable property. The first issue water warrant was about \$15.00 light. The next billing will go up \$30.00 to make up for this. Thereafter, it will fall back to a \$10.00 or \$15.00 increase. Jim Coffey said if anyone wants more detailed reports on budgets, water warrants, etc. please contact him or Sue and they will print these reports for you.

Budgets- As of September 1st, 42% remains in the General Fund which is pretty much on target. Jim was asked 42% of what? He responded it's the percentage of what was initially budgeted. The water fund has 34% left. That leaves \$91,317.00 in the water fund.

The treatment center will be paid off this November.

The question as to how the Town handles the delinquent 12% interest on unpaid water bills was raised. Jim Coffey said the problem is that the Town keeps the collected interest. District lawyer Justin Richardson is working on this matter. A couple of letters were sent to the Town treasurer with no response.

What the Town is now doing is paying us in one lump sum 8 days or so after the tax money is collected. This is based on a \$200,000.00 budget. Obviously, our budget is a lot higher than that so we should be paid monthly. DRA as well as Justin Richardson are looking into how we get paid. Justin also sends a letter to the Town's lawyer. The contents of the letter are private but the outcome will be shared with the residents.

Well #11-The well #11 report is up on the website. If you don't have access to the website Bob will print up a copy for you. The #11 well will not affect the Cassie well. It's producing 28 gallons a minute. John Plummer was introduced. He has helped us out greatly with the wells. We're just waiting on the State permits and we're good to go. Two water leaks were detected. One on Spring St and one on Autumn Rd. One leak was detected and fixed outside of Ben Molinari's house on Ellen Brook Rd. Water Ban violators were discussed. Bob said they would all be issued warnings.

Beaches- Post wires will be installed at all beaches. John Plummer and Don Dwarska are volunteering for this project.

Bridge Update- Bob Hutchinson said there are a lot of things to consider. He said the project will be completed before winter. We couldn't get the State Funding we had hoped for. The money will not be available for 5 years.

Bob explained one option is to blow in expansion cement to fill all the voids. Two engineers came down and approved this option. The other option is to rip out the existing culvert and remove a lot of the existing stone. Then, install 2 8ft. culverts side by side. All emergency vehicles and busses would be able to pass over the bridge.

The problem with people of 4 wheelers tearing up the roads and people's yards was discussed. Bob did say that the police have been coming out here on a regular basis, just not at the right times to catch the 4 wheelers.

Jim Coffey suggested that Emerald Lake residents become active in the Town. For instance, District resident Jerry Burnham was on the planning board. We need more recognition from the Town.

Commissioner Bob Hutchinson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm. Denise DeForest seconded.

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Stefanelli
District Clerk

Approved By:

Bob Hutchinson

Troy Cornock

Denise DeForest

(Signatures On Original)