



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

DISTRICT MEETING ON; April 01, 2011

Meeting came to order at: 7:00pm.

Moment of Silence

Minutes and Payroll and Payment Manifest read and accepted

Present; Commissioners Bob Hutchinson, Denise DeForest, Troy Cornock and Administrator Jim Coffey.

Jim Coffey opened the meeting with his Administrators report.

Jim said he spoke to Jennifer Crowley regarding the Districts 2010 audit. The audit should be starting shortly.

Jim discussed the subject of water meters on the individual houses in the District. He said the project in total would cost approximately \$600,000. The board would like to get permission from DES to put in data loggers instead for a fraction of the cost, about \$100,000. Data loggers would be placed at the end of each road or something like that, maybe spread out a bit. Jim said one misconception residents have is that having meters means a cheaper water bill. The fact is each resident will still pay the base price which is \$530.00 we all pay now plus usage. So, with the data loggers he said we would still all pay they way we do now. Another fact he said is that meters do not have a long life. They do not last 30 years or more. He said they last more like 10 years.

Jim said he thinks the District would benefit greatly from its own planning board. He said towns like North Hampton and Hopkinton have great relationships with their Village Districts. He said it is a good idea for the District to have its own Capital Improvement Plan. He also said a towns planning board has no legal right to oversee a District. The Districts planning board would include four District residents and one Commissioner.

Jim and the board discussed the problem with residents not shutting down their water when they leave for the season. Commissioner Bob Hutchinson contacted District lawyer Justin Richardson asking him what legal action we can take to cover the cost of the repairs and such. He said it costs the District residents several thousand dollars each time there is a break. It was suggested he get an answer before the next District newsletter goes out so people know what they are responsible for.

In general discussion the Districts annual roadside cleanup will take place on Saturday May 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.

At 7:45 pm Commissioner Bob Hutchinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Troy Cornock seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted by  
District Clerk  
Patricia Stefanelli

Approved By:

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Bob Hutchinson

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Troy Cornock

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Denise DeForest