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Meeting Minutes
Emerald Lake Village District (ELVD) Commissioner meeting
Thursday March 23, 2023

Board Attendees

Brett Taber, Commissioner (Chair)
Debbie Kardaseski, Commissioner
Sarah Murphy, Commissioner
Sara Auger, Clerk

Residents - Jim Riddle

Other - Bow Smith (Road Agent)

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Taber at 6:30pm on March 23, 2023. Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and roll call to confirm a quorum of Commissioners.

Before moving to the agenda, Commissioner Taber introduced Jim Riddle, a resident interested in supporting the district as Moderator. Jim Riddle was sworn in as Moderator by the Clerk, Sara Auger, Jim read the Oath of Office and both signed.

Next, the first agenda item, approval of water rule updates. Commissioner Kardaseski had sent revised/updated copies. Final changes include feedback from residents. Including: adding in the word "herbs" along with the current wording for watering of fruit and vegetables.

Non-transferable was added, speaking to water hookups. No formula or specific fees to water fines were added as these are reviewed on a case by case basis and the rules cover a variety of fines that could be imposed but not a requirement everytime and contractor rates can change. A question of fee for RV brought up on one or more was clarified in the rules.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kardaseski to accept the Water Rules and Regulations revision dated 3/23/2023 and extended amendments. Seconded by Commissioner Murphy, all in favor, motion passed.

The updated water rules and regulations, including the Cross Control policy and Dormant Curb Stop policy, will be posted on the website and a link on the facebook page. A copy will be sent to the town and the district lawyer.

Next item on the agenda reviewed were Fireworks rules. Commissioner Kardaseski sent the draft rule change to the Hillsboro Police Chief and the prosecutor made suggestions. The district can set up 1st and 2nd fines, wording of up to \$1,000 gives the Judge the authority to give a fee up to \$1,000. This fine would be set anyway as the statute leaves it up to the discretion of the court to fine up to \$1,000. Fireworks are subject to confiscation, added. Since feedback from the police is new, the board will give a final copy to the district lawyer to review. The Hillsboro police suggested a public hearing since the last one had no ordinance to present. Once approved, current Beaches & Lakes rules and regulations will need to be updated where it speaks to fireworks. Commissioner Kardaseski will reach out to the district lawyer on what's involved to change current rules. To have a public hearing on Fireworks, a 7-day notice in the paper is required minimum. The board is proposing to have the public hearing on fireworks rule change at the April 20th meeting.

Water fines need to be redone as current due date, Bookkeeper availability and mailing time is cutting it close. Amending due dates and water shut off by (or payment plan setup by) June 1st.

Commissioner Kardaseski was present for a site review to look at the electrical building today. The purpose of this project is for Arsenic PH tank building, electrical upgrades to move on wells 7, 8 and 9, repipe through electrical building with current pipe flow, move generator and new well wires.

A question on if the pressure reduction valves can be done in our setup? If Aqauman says yes it will work, submit to NH DES for approval and then can order parts to complete this project. This project may not have to wait until Spring and would be good to get done prior to increased population over the summer months.

Furthermore, Emerald & Red Fox zones for zone pits were suggested by Wright Pierce.

The Hummingbird well pump is running 24/7, the line has broken and no communication is going to this well currently. A scada system could be included in part with current grant funded projects.

The board is still awaiting the treatment plan and pre-report for Eastman Well. The initial sample process identified was not fully effective and a couple other processes identified to find out the media change out frequency, a full production test needed or lab test. Both options are comparable in cost and the board will wait for reports before making a decision on how to proceed. It still makes sense at this time to install piping to tie-in with a 3-way valve system towards Meetinghouse. Pump and electrical components would be needed.

Once the board has the treatment plan and the state approves, then the well can be used. The district is limited to volume, daily average of pumping water cannot exceed permitted value. Grandfathered wells are not included in this volume total. If the treatment is too much, the board will shift towards other ideas for source water capacity. Need the scope and date to make a decision.

Manifests for March 2023 were reviewed and signed.

Motion by Commissioner Taber to accept manifests as written. Seconded by Commissioner Murphy, all in favor, motion passed.

Meeting minutes for Feb. 27th and March 10th. for approval.

Motion by Commissioner Taber to accept meeting minutes for February 27 and March 10, 2023 as written. Seconded by Commissioner Murphy, all in favor, motion passed.

Wright Pierce has sent the next grant disbursement request in the amount of \$24,054.97, after this one making it 79% of ARPA funds.

Motion by Commissioner Taber to sign and submit to the state for reimbursement. Seconded by Commissioner Kardaseski, all in favor, motion passed.

The ad has been placed for the loan/bond hearing on March 31. Commissioner Kardaseski is working on the Annual Report and Commissioner Taber is working on the commissioner letter.

Bow Smith gave the board an update that he got the blocks for Ravenhead from Mitchie Corp. and all trees seen as to be a threat in the right of way have been removed. Limited grading will be starting soon, as a temporary short term fix. The Hillsboro Police are aware of the Ravenhead road closure.

A motion to adjourn at 7:59pm was made by Commissioner Kardaseski, seconded by Commissioner Taber, all in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by: _____ Sara Auger, ELVD Clerk

Approved by:

_____ Brett Taber, Commissioner (Chair)

_____ Debbie Kardaseski, Commissioner

_____ Sarah Murphy, Commissioner