



Emerald Lake Village District
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Emerald Lake Village District (ELVD) Annual Meeting
Location: 147 West Main Street

Saturday, April 25, 2026 – ANNUAL MEETING

In attendance:

Sara Auger (Commissioner, Chair)
Brett Taber (Commissioner)
Mark Przybyla (Commissioner)
Carolyn Renken, (Treasurer)
Lorinda Giarrusso (District Clerk)
Jim Riddle, Moderator

Justin Richardson, ELVD Attorney

Supervisors of the Checklist:

Joyce Bosse
Sharon Wilkins
Jon Daley

The Annual Meeting took place at the Hillsboro-Deering Elementary School. The Supervisors of the Checklist checked in all 31 Residents who attended the Meeting. Absentee Ballots (3) had already been received by District Clerk, Lorinda Giarrusso and they were given to the Supervisor of the Checklist, to open. They were opened at 11:15 a.m.

Moderator, Jim Riddle, 6 Emerald Drive, announced the polls open for voting of Emerald Lake Village District Officials at 10:00 a.m. and closed voting at 12:00 p.m.

Moderator, Jim Riddle, called the 2026 Annual Meeting for Emerald Lake Village District to order at 12:30 pm. Commissioner Auger led those present for the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance. Jim Riddle went over the rules governing the meeting.

Moderator, Jim Riddle, 6 Emerald Drive, welcomed the crowd and told everyone that he also was part of Hillsboro's Conservation Commission, and he had left updated maps and hiking area brochures on the voting tables should any resident want one.

There was also a Notice on the table (inside the Annual Reports) - **Customer Notice – Unknown Water Service Line** regarding the District's Water System. There are now federal requirements for

lead in drinking water and we have to identify and provide a record of everyone's piping materials on their water service line to help identify resident's pipes so we can accurately complete our water system.

inventory records. All you need to do is take a picture and email it to info@ELVDNH.com. It is all explained on the form. Please take one.

WARRANT ARTICLE 01 – TO ELECT OFFICERS FOR ELVD

To choose one Commissioner for a three (3) year term; to choose one (1) Commissioner for a one (1) year term (through write-in votes only), a Treasurer for a one (1) year term, and a District Clerk for a one (1) year term. **The Article was voted on by official ballot.**

Our lawyer, Justin Richardson, confirmed these are the correct positions and terms. The Ballot is correct.

Results were counted, by Supervisors of the Checklist, and the results were read by Moderator, Jim Riddle, as follows:

Moderator, 2-year term: James Riddle ran for this position and won with 31 votes. There were no write-in votes.

- James Riddle 31 votes

Commissioner, 3-year term: Brett Taber ran for this position and won with 28 votes. We did have write-in votes as follows:

- Brett Taber 28 votes
- Sara Auger 2 votes
- Carolyn Renken 1 vote

Commissioner, 1-year term: No one ran for this position, but Emily Wilde won with write-in votes and received 7 votes. The other write-in votes were as follows:

- Emily Wilde 7 votes
- Sara Auger 3 votes
- Ruth Murphy 1 vote
- Josh Poff 5 votes
- Guy Pelletier 1 vote
- Lisa Wilde 4 votes
- Michelle Flynn 1 vote
- Mark Rodier 1 vote

Carolyn Renken ran for Treasurer, and she received 31 votes. This is a 1-year term. Carolyn won the election. There were no write-in votes.

- Carolyn Renken 31 votes

Lorinda Giarrusso ran for Clerk and received 31 votes. This is a 1-year term. Lorinda won with 31 votes. There were no write-in votes.

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- Lorinda Giarrusso 31 votes

The Supervisors of the Checklist checked in all people that would be voting on the Warrant Articles. Moderator, Jim Riddle, called this part of the Meeting to order at 12:30 pm.

ALL ARTICLES WERE PRESENTED, DISCUSSED, PUT OUT TO ANYONE THAT WANTED TO SPEAK AND/OR HAD ANY QUESTIONS, AND THEN VOTED ON AS FOLLOWS:

WARRANT ARTICLE 02 – TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,425,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF IMPLEMENTING RESIDENTIAL WATER METERING ACROSS THE DISTRICT.

To Raise and Appropriate the sum of \$1,425,000 for the purpose of implementing residential water metering across the district. To see if the Village District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ONE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,425,000 - gross budget) for the purpose of developing and installing a residential water metering system. Said funding to come from the NH DWSRF loan fund as well as any other available loan / grant funding. To allow the issuance of loans or notes in accordance with the provisions of the municipal finance Act (RSA 33); further to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such loans or notes and to determine the interest thereon. Said funding would be applied against the Water account. This funding would be non-lapsing. The Board of Commissioners recommends this Article. (3/5 ballot vote required).

The Moderator read the Article as written and asked if there was a Motion on the Article. Commissioner Taber moved the Article as a Motion to the floor, this was seconded by Commissioner Auger. The Moderator asked if there was any discussion on the Article.

Commissioner Taber spoke about this Article and stated that we did try for years to get this in motion and submitted pre-apps into the State to change the source of this particular area. We did get selected for the 2025/2026 SRF. We also put a pre-app in for this year, 2026. If we're approved, we already have that step approved by the voters under that type of fund. Last year, the pre-app was \$1.425 million. This is for all of the metering and collective systems and portions of the installations, which is basically the installation of in-ground meter pits. We will continue that effort as we move forward.

Resident, Joyce Ford, 6 Emerald Drive, asked, "don't we already have money in the fund? How much does this increase our taxes? Please explain".

Commissioner Taber responded that currently the water meter capital reserve funds have \$114,682.00 in it that has been contributed over the years. We have had three (3) quotes over the last four (4) years from vendors ranging from \$120,000.00 TO \$300,000.00 just for the water meter systems and metering. You still have all the installs in the basement areas and/or curb stops, and all the other hardware as well as the invoicing portion of that. Right now, we're trying to capture the last opportunities with the State for their last fundings.

We are trying to capture federal funds which basically have gone away. Next year, the State has already said funding for SRF Projects is basically zero (0). We are trying to get one for their final year of offerings. Otherwise, this funding could push out to another 5 years.

Joyce Ford, 6 Emerald Drive, asked, "how are we paying for this"? Commissioner Taber stated it would go against the water rates over a 20-year period. We have the ability to stretch that out to 30 years.

Resident, Susan Ireland, Red Fox Crossing, asked, would that eliminate the \$585.00 twice a year for individual usage bills? Commissioner Taber stated, "yes: The flat rate or whatever the Budget generates this year along with operating costs will be covered. Individualized bills will be based on what program is developed, Still, most towns have a base rate plus a rate by volume and a rate

based on logging into what is used. On a flat rate, everything has the same – some households may be higher than that and some may be lower when you look at the actual usage.

Sue asked, would we still have the flat rate of 585.00 plus an individual water bill on top of that plus our taxes after that? Commissioner Taber said “no”. The \$585.00 flat rate would be blended in because instead of that being a flat rate for everybody, figuratively it could be a \$100.00 or \$200.00 flat rate fee each quarter or semi-annually leaving a balance and then we’d have to determine the rate per gallon.

Resident, Ruth Murphy, Gould Pond Road, asked, “we don’t know what the flat rate might be? Commissioner Taber stated, “that is correct”. Once we see all these new expenses, and the operating expenses for the water system, we will know. It is currently over \$600,000.00/year. Once we formulate that then we can figure out a rate/gallon per usage. Ruth Murphy asked, so the meters will be on next year’s taxes if it passes? Commissioner Taber stated “that would be the earliest. It could be five (5+) years before we finish.

Resident Tricia Stefanelli, 45 Emerald Drive, asked, “when meters are installed, will they be installing in sections or all at once? Commissioner Taber responded that he does not have that answer yet. It will depend on once we find a Contractor, or whether we complete a specific street or zone; we don’t have all the details yet.

Resident Karen Zerofski, 13 Hemlock Street stated, “right now, I’m paying for water and told not to use it. With this new proposal are we still going to be billed for something that we’re not even allowed to use?

Commissioner Auger stated that residents can use their water to have the ability to live. Although you cannot wash your cars or water your lawns you still have the ability to use water, every day, for living. Once the water is metered, you will have water coming out of your faucets and you will be paying for every drip that comes out. We will then have the potential to change this restriction. As for lifting the ban, we have to speak to the State and make sure we are in a good position to do so.

Karen Zerofski, 13 Hemlock Street, stated, “my issue is that I am single, living in my home, alone. I wanted to have my house power washed as I’m not allowed to do it myself. I was quoted \$200.00 so this is now more money for water than I’m already paying. I can’t be using nearly as much water as someone with many people living in their home. I think it is unfair when I need to do necessary work on my home.

Commissioner Auger stated that we have had to truck water in. We appreciate residents conserving any water that they can. People have brought this up before. Meters will show the actual use.

Moderator Jim Riddle opened the Ballot for Article 2 at 12:15 pm. We moved to vote at 1:02 pm.

- Commissioner Auger **MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE.**
 - Commissioner Taber **SECONDED THE MOTION.**
1. 23 AYES
 2. 2 NAYS
 3. **MOTION PASSED.**

WARRANT ARTICLE 03 – TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$300,000 FOR SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE COMPLETION OF THE MEETINGHOUSE TREATMENT PROJECT.

To Raise and Appropriate the sum of \$300,000 for supplemental funding to support the completion of the Meetinghouse treatment project To see if the Village District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$300,000 - gross budget) for the purpose of replacing ARPA funds previously awarded to support the Meetinghouse treatment project that were moved to the Hummingbird well treatment project. The THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000) to come from the NH DWGTF loan fund as well as the Drinking Water Groundwater Trust Fund Grant through the following breakdown – NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$90,000) to come from DWGTF grant fund; and TWO HUNDERED AND TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$210,000.00) to come from the NH DWGTF LOAN fund in accordance with the provisions of the municipal finance Act (RSA 33); further to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such loans or notes and to determine the interest thereon. Said funding would be applied against the Water account. This article would be non-lapsing. The Board of Commissioners recommends this Article. (3/5 ballot vote required).

The Moderator read the Article as written and asked if there was a Motion on the Article. Commissioner Taber moved the Article as a Motion to the floor, this was seconded by Commissioner Auger. The Moderator asked if there was any discussion on the Article.

Commissioner Auger spoke to this Article. She stated that some of the projected funds from Meetinghouse went to Hummingbird to help replenish Hummingbird’s well. It will be the combination of a Grant and a \$210,000.00 loan for up to twenty (20) years. We may not need the entire twenty (20) years.

Karen Zerofski, 13 Hemlock Street, asked, “how long before the properties are completed? It seems like they’ve been working on Hummingbird Beach for quite a while”.

Commissioner Taber stated that Hummingbird expires in December of this year. We expect it to be done by this May. Regarding Meetinghouse – Federal ARPA funds expire in June. An extension has been issued. We want to be clear about what we have to do before we decide.

Moderator Jim Riddle opened the Ballot for Article 3 at 1:02 pm moved to vote at 1:02 pm. We moved to vote at 2:02 pm.

- Commissioner Auger **MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE.**
 - Commissioner Carr **SECONDED THE MOTION.**
1. 24 AYES
 2. 1 NAY
 3. **MOTION PASSED.**

WARRANT ARTICLE 04 – GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET, INCLUDES DEBT SERVICE- \$406,213.

General Operating Budget, includes debt service- \$406,213 To see if the Village District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of FOUR HUNDRED AND SIX THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTEEN DOLLARS (\$406,213) for the ELVD General Operating Expenses during 2026, including debt services. Said funds to come from general taxation. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual warrant articles voted separately.

The Moderator read the Article as written and asked if there was a Motion on the Article. Commissioner Przybyla moved the Article as a Motion to the floor, this was seconded by Commissioner Auger. The Moderator asked if there was any discussion on the Article.

Commissioner Przybyla spoke to this Article. He stated this covers the water budget, roads, beaches, and winter snow plowing. This is a very small increase over the years. Half the Budget goes to maintenance. Commissioner Taber stated that we are transitioning away from our current Contractor to a new Contractor. We may have to bring in an Interim Contractor other than pay what we don't owe.

Commissioner Taber stated that we need to change the wording in this Warrant, Article 04, to show a new amount of \$416,213.00 from the original amount stated of \$406,213.00 due to an increase in grading for the short term.

Commissioner Taber MOVED THE MOTION.
Commissioner Auger SECONDED THE MOTION.

Resident, Susan Ireland, Red Fox Crossing stated – we are paying an extra \$10,000.00? Are we paying double? I have concerns - bringing a new Contractor would drastically put up our budget by \$20,000.00.

Commissioner Taber stated we can raise it \$6,000-10,000.00 and keep us in our Budget vs. having to pay another \$20,000.00. We have our Contractor through the end of May. The legal challenge is he doesn't feel he owes anymore work so we have to fill in that period before our new Contractor starts.

Susan Ireland, Red Fox Crossing, asked, did it go out to bid to get a new Contractor? Commissioner Auger stated, the last four (4) years it did go out to bid, but not this year. Commissioner Auger stated, she made an executive decision to hire a Contractor that we have used before. Commissioner Auger stated it was due to timing, getting better work; and the roads are going to be worked on vs. not being worked on at all. The new Contract is for one (1) year. Jim Riddle asked, "has anyone contacted the Town?" Commissioner Auger stated we have contacted the Town. They are not interested and I was told "they do not have the equipment to support us".

Resident, Karen Zerfoski, 13 Hemlock Street, stated, "we pay taxes to the Town and an additional tax to the District. How much goes to the Town roads? How come we aren't getting services from them?"

Commissioner Taber responded – the Town's responsibility is only on their roads. The District roads are separate. The District would have to update ALL roads to be eligible. The Town has no obligation to do so. We are considered private property. The Town have their costs to only maintain their roads. I have researched over the last five (5) years to get a Grant, but we are not entitled.

Resident Joyce Ford, 6 Emerald Drive, stated, everybody drives on the roads and the potholes are terrible. Does the new Contractor have equipment to do more? To do better?

We expect improvement and will be watching closely to see that we get it. Commissioner Auger stated that the new Contract does include the cost of calcium chloride. It didn't before. It should help make the roads better and keep them in better shape for longer.

Resident, Sue Ireland, Red Fox Crossing, asked, "Are we providing sand in the winter?" Commissioner Auger stated that typically it is covered. Sue stated – "my biggest complaint is that the roads are very icy in the winter compared to Gould Pond Road that is sanded well. I'm hoping it will be done better.

Moderator Jim Riddle stated we will now vote on the Amendment for Warrant Article #4 on increasing the total amount by \$10,000.00 from \$406,213.00 to \$416,213.00 due to additional interim contractor's work during transition to our new Contractor as just discussed. **MOTION CARRIED. MOTION APPROVED AS AMENDED.**

The Moderator asked after all discussion was completed if the floor was ready to vote. He asked for a voice vote of those that approved- most of the floor voted with an aye or yes vote; he asked about those who opposed and there was no response – **MOTION PASSED.**

WARRANT ARTICLE 05 – WATER SYSTEM OPERATING BUDGET, INCLUDES DEBT SERVICE \$625,009.

Water system Operating Budget includes debt service \$625,009 To see if the Village District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of SIX HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND, AND NOINE DOLLARS (\$625,009) for the ELVD Water Department Expenses during 2026, including debt services. This net sum will be offset by income to the Water Department. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual warrant articles voted separately. The Board of Commissioners recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

The Moderator read the Article as written and asked if there was a Motion on the Article. Commissioner Taber moved the Article as a Motion to the floor, this was seconded by Commissioner Przybyla. The Moderator asked if there was any discussion on the Article.

Commissioner Przybyla spoke about this Article. He stated, this is mostly operating expenses. Things do wear out and we need chemicals for treatment. Aquaman is our licensed Water Operator. The flat rate is \$100.00/month. That is why we have chosen installing water meters. Commissioner Taber stated, since the 2024 infrastructure, we have been working on finalizing the loan. We don't have a final amount (value). We are pushing for next year to begin loan payments but currently it becomes due this November. It is estimated to be \$18,000.00 for the 1st year. Instead of being short, we wanted to address this now.

Commissioner Taber **MADE A MOTION** to increase the debt service to \$643,009.00. Resident, Joyce Ford, 6 Emerald Drive, **SECONDED THE MOTION.** The increase will be \$18,000.00.

Moderator, Jim Riddle said there is **MOTION to AMEND** Article #5 from \$625,000.00 to \$643,009.00. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The Moderator asked after all discussion was completed if the floor was ready to vote. He asked for a voice vote of those that approved- most of the floor voted with an aye or yes vote; he asked about those who opposed and there was no response – **MOTION PASSED.**

WARRANT ARTICLE 06 – RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$38,000 TO GENERAL CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS.

To see if the Village District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$38,000) to be added to the previously established Capital reserve Funds as noted below:

- Dam Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund (CR128) - \$3,000
- Roads and Bridges infrastructure (CR100) - \$15,000
- Beaches' Restoration and repair (CR183) - \$20,000 to come from unassigned fund balance". "Said funding to come from the General account unexpended funds. No impact to taxation due to use of unexpended funds. The Board of Commissioners recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

The Moderator read the Article as written and asked if there was a Motion on the Article. Commissioner Auger moved the Article as a Motion to the floor, this was seconded by Commissioner Taber. The Moderator asked if there was any discussion on the Article.

Commissioner Auger spoke about this Article. Every year, we try to put in capital reserve funds instead of having to take out a loan. This year, we received a \$38,000.00 insurance check due to damages and expenses incurred in the severe June rainstorm. This will offset the repairs to Hummingbird Beach. There will be no tax impact.

Resident Karen Zerofski, 13 Hemlock Street, asked, "does any of those include Hummingbird Beach"? Commissioner Auger responded, part of the Permit for Hummingbird Beach was approved. The culvert Permit was not. We have sent in an Amendment. The person at the State, in charge of reviewing the Amendment we sent in has been on vacation, all week, hiking a mountain. I was actually able to get him on the phone, and he understands how important this is. He did confirm it has been received. I am hoping to have an answer by Monday. Our goal is to have it done before Labor Day weekend. Commissioner Taber stated that the Estimate for restoration is fully covered by capital reserve funds.

The Moderator asked after all discussion was completed if the floor was ready to vote. He asked for a voice vote of those that approved- most of the floor voted with an aye or yes vote; he asked about those who opposed and there was no response – **MOTION PASSED.**

WARRANT ARTICLE 07 – RAISE AND APPROPRIATE \$30,000 TO WATER SYSTEM CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS.

To see if the Village District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of THIRTY- THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$30,000) to be added to the previously established Capital Reserve Funds as noted below:

- Water Meter Capital Reserve Fund (CR112) - \$15,000 • Water treatment Capital reserve fund (CR184) - \$15,000 Said funding to come from WATER ACCOUNT FUNDING. The Board of Commissioners recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

The Moderator read the Article as written and asked if there was a Motion on the Article. Commissioner Przybyla moved the Article as a Motion to the floor, this was seconded by Commissioner Auger. The Moderator asked if there was any discussion on the Article.

Commissioner Przybyla spoke to the Article. He stated that the Article presented has no tax impact and will cover emergency expenses that go into capital reserve funds (i.e. replacing media and major emergency repairs).

The Moderator asked after all discussion was completed if the floor was ready to vote. He asked for a voice vote of those that approved- most of the floor voted with an aye or yes vote; he asked about those who opposed and there was no response – **MOTION PASSED**.

WARRANT ARTICLE 08 – TO MODIFY THE PURPOSE OF THE WATER TREATMENT CAPITAL RESERVE FUND.

To see if the Village District will vote to modify the purpose of the Capital Reserve fund (CRF- 184) previously established in 2025, to now include all elements and components necessary to sustain the water treatment operating systems of ELVD. ELVD Board of Commissioners shall be named agents to expend. The Board of Commissioners recommends this article. (Majority vote required).

The Moderator read the Article as written and asked if there was a Motion on the Article. Commissioner Taber moved the Article as a Motion to the floor, this was seconded by Commissioner Przybyla.

Commissioner Taber spoke to this Article and explained it to all meeting participants. There were no discussions or questions afterwards.

The Moderator asked after all discussion was completed if the floor was ready to vote. He asked for a voice vote of those that approved- most of the floor voted with an aye or yes vote; he asked about those who opposed and there was no response – **MOTION PASSED**.

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WARRANT ARTICLE 09 – TO CONDUCT ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE ANNUAL MEETING.

Moderator Jim Riddle thanked the Commissioners.

Joyce Bosse, Supervisor of the Checklist, reminded all Residents that anyone that wants to change their Party Affiliation must do so by May 2, 2026, at the Town Hall. If you want to vote, bring a birth certificate or passport and a photo ID. Joyce also thanked all the meeting participants for bringing their picture IDs. “It makes the process to much easier”.

Commissioner Taber stated that today’s meeting would be Commissioner Auger’s last time being a Board Member. She thanked Sara for all her hard work and dedication over the last seven (7) years. She will be missed. Commissioner Taber asked if he could nominate Commissioner Przybyla as an Authorized signer with the State because Commissioner Auger is leaving and she is the current Authorized signer. ELVD Attorney, Justin Richardson stated that this could not be done at the Annual Meeting and could be done at our next Commissioner’s meeting on May 7, 2025.

Resident, Joyce Ford, 6 Emerald Drive, asked a question about the status of the presentation we had last year for Stormwater.

Commissioner Taber stated the State is not offering money, but they are offering operating tech support. We are working on putting together 12-20 of the District's highest priorities. It could help us with re-inspections making it easier to complete our inventory, which needs to be updated. Regarding Meetinghouse and Hummingbird Beach – there could definitely be a cost-savings from the tech support and until then, we will be looking for funding opportunities.

Resident, David Stefanelli, 45 Emerald Drive, thanked the entire Board for all their hard work. He stated he did have one (1) big concern: There is an antique machine parked at our creek that goes into the Lake. It is slowly sinking. I worry that fluids and oil could be seeping in and poisoning the water.

Commissioner Auger thanked David for sharing his concern. She stated that the land that this is on is not owned by the District. It is rented by the District. We will definitely look into this with the EPA.

Resident Melissa Taber, 13 Melody Lane, stated that a few years ago, she put a go-fund-me plan together in hopes of buying playground toys for the kids in the District. Unfortunately, the NHDES has stated we cannot do this. Some residents had donated money - \$500.00. She brought the check to the Annual Meeting. She wanted to give that money to ELVD to put into a fund for the kids. ELVD Attorney Justin Richardson said that this would need to be done at the next regular Commissioner's meeting. Moderator James Riddle thanked Melissa for her efforts, and the meeting participants gave her a round of applause.

Attorney Richardson stated he has been working as the ELVD Attorney since 2007. He stated that he felt the Commissioners are doing a great job and working hard to save residents a lot of money!

Resident, Tricia Stefanelli, 45 Emerald Drive asked, "is there any update on the well? Eastman and Emerald Beach get so crowded. There's almost no space now, having one (1) less beach available. It also seems that we have a lot of people who come that are not residents.

Commissioner Taber spoke to her question. To that point, the Board just received notice that they are in the Process of Pilot Testing, so it can be operational, and putting it online 24/7. They ran it for a week, and it was all clear. We were notified that we received a charcoal media. Financially, this is not viable as we would have to change it every week. We have put in a request out to the State to change it and confirm the requirements to close out this Project. There is brand new information that the Board needs to review. We already have questions out to them.

Moderator James Riddle asked if there was going to be a limit on dog use at Meetinghouse Beach?

Resident, Mckayla Baird, 5 Patten Hill, expressed her concerns and opposition.

Resident Susan Ireland, Red Fox Crossing, asked if we could allow 8-10 in the morning? Other residents expressed their concerns also.

Commissioner Przybyla stated that the main reason this has become a problem is because we have to sample the water near the Beach. We are at risk if the sampling is tainted from pet waste and then we might have to close the beach completely.

The audience asked, "how is that different from the Boat Launch? Commissioner Auger stated that the Boat Launch is a Town area.

Commissioner Taber stated, "yes, this issue has definitely been a challenge of the years. We have to satisfy the majority. Some people on the Beach may not even be from ELVD and they are also.

bringing their animals. Some Districts are shutting down their beaches completely to pets. He told the residents that he appreciated their feedback and concerns.

Resident Susan Ireland, Red Fox Crossing, stated, people need to clean up after themselves and their pets. The meeting participants agreed.

Commissioner Taber stated that the Board, over the past few years, even put up doggy bag stations. We supplied the bags. Residents need to take their bags with them and take responsibility for their animals.

At this time there was no further business. A **MOTION TO ADJOURN** the meeting was made by Resident, Joyce Ford, 6 Emerald Drive, at 2:07 pm. The **MOTION WAS SECONDED** by Tricia Stefanelli.

TIME MEETING ADJOURNED: 2:07 PM.

Written by Lorinda Giarrusso, District Clerk

APPROVED BY:

Sara Auger, Commissioner, Chair

Date

Brett Taber, Commissioner

Date

Mark Przybyla, Commissioner

Date

Respectfully submitted by Lorinda Giarrusso, District Clerk