

Village of Hyde Park, Board of Trustees

Minutes of March 23, 2016

The duly warned regular monthly meeting of the Board was held on March 23, 2016 in the Lanpher Memorial Library.

Trustees Present

Frederika French, Chair
Tim Yarrow
Charlie Aronovici
Jack Anderson
Peter Gallo

Others Present

Carol Robertson, General Manager
Brian Baker, Dufresne Group Consulting Engineers
Gail Deuso, resident

Riki French called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and welcomed attendees. The Chair opened the floor for public comments and there were none. The agenda was approved with four additions: Drinking Water Asset Management Grant, McMahon Chevy's 19 VSA 1111 permit application, VELCO Board issues and trash, which was agreed to be discussed together with the Warning.

Brian Baker discussed the proposed Engineering Services Agreement for preparation of a Preliminary Engineering Report ("PER") on the Village Wastewater System. The \$46,100 loan award from the Vermont Municipal Bond bank would fund the fund PER. Following discussion, the General Manager recommended further review of the agreement and Board action at the April 13 meeting. Mr. Baker left the meeting.

There was a review and discussion of the Minutes of the Community Public Meeting #1 conducted by Kate Lalley, Lamoille County Planning Commission. The subject of the meeting was the Hyde Park Village Masterplan, Elsa French Park and proposed renovation of the French Building for new community public facilities and Village Municipal offices.

The Chair read the proposed Warning. There was a discussion about the Hyde Park Village Improvement Association's concerns about trash receptacles in the Village. The Chair asked the Board for suggestions of who could serve as moderator of the Annual Meeting. There was a consensus that Christine Halquist would be a good moderator. She agreed to serve if elected at the Annual Meeting.

Motion by Tim Yarrow and second by Jack Anderson to approve the Warning of the Annual Village Meeting of Hyde Park to be held at the Hyde Park Elementary School Library on the third day of May, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tim Yarrow and second by Jack Anderson to approve the minutes of the January 25, 2016 special meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tim Yarrow and second by Charlie Aronovici to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2016 regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Tim Yarrow and second by Jack Anderson to direct the GM to apply for the 2016 Drinking Water Asset Management Grant, contingent on the in-kind match of \$5,000 is comprised of Village employee labor. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Charlie Aronovici and second by Jack Anderson to apply for a 19 VSA 1111 permit for McMahan's Chevy as well as an agreement that protects and exempts the Village from any maintenance or repair responsibilities for the walkway constructed by McMahan's that will lead to or lie within the state right-of-way. The motion carried unanimously.

There was a discussion of the VELCO Shareholders Agreement and the process for election of directors. There was no action taken.

Motion by Peter Gallo and second by Jack Anderson to enter executive session at 8:29 p.m. and to include the General Manager in order to discuss contracts because premature general public knowledge would clearly place the public body or person involved at a substantial disadvantage. The motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Charlie Aronovici and second by Tim Yarrow to end executive session at 9:20 p.m. The motion carried unanimously. There was no action taken.

There being no further business, motion by Tim Yarrow and second by Charlie Aronovici to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Frederika French

Date

The next regular meeting of the Board will be Wednesday, April 13 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library.