



Village of Wells River  
P.O. Box 737  
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## **Agenda Trustees Meeting 8/4/2022**

### **Wells River Village Trustees Meeting.**

**Present: Jean Welch , June Griswold, Jason Winchester, Kelsey Root-Winchester, Don Waterman and Richard Roderick Shannon Young , Ron Welch , Gary Griswold and Chris Bruce**

**Thursday August 4, 2022 @ 4 pm**

**Called to order 4:05 PM**

**\*Approve Agenda**

**Motion to accept by Jean Welch and seconded by June Griswold**

**\*Reviewed and Approve minutes from July 21, 2022**

**\* Correspondence : Truck Recall needs to get plow removed and then to Cody Chevrolet Inspected etc... Mary will call Robco and see if they want the truck to come with Plow on and then it will go to Cody Chevrolet for inspection and maintenance maintenance**

**Water Letter from Heather Collins was read and Distributed, Copy Attached Trustees have till Sept 5<sup>th</sup> to reply.**

**\*Water -Nemrc water utility was approved to come out of the Water Funds June Motioned Jean Seconded \***

**Highway – Ron Welch brought John Deere to Blackmount it had never serviced, It is now up to snuff.**



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**Highway: Bids for The board had questions for Shannon Young about his Highway bid**

Jean asked Shannon re his bid of \$88 per hour or a yearly fee of \$88000 They discussed paragraph 3 . There would be additional fees for large projects not covered in contract such as additions of new roads. This fee would be \$85 per hour an additional fee. He asked how he wanted to be paid he said Bi Weekly. Shannon suggested that he use the village truck to keep it in action . June suggested he might lease it from us. He might want to purchase it. Jean made a motion that Shannon be offered a contract for \$88000.00 a year and June Seconded it. Shannon wanted to know if he could store his sand here , board will discuss . Contract will be written and presented next week.

**Mowing-June spoke to Jake Mitchell re roadside mowing. 6.6 miles approx. cost would be \$3000 Newbury might help us out, more estimates will be researched. Jean made motion to table and June seconded it.**

**Kelsey and Richard started to clean up the wrap files.**

**Chris Bruce is here re his mowing bid. Jean asked Chris if \$350 per time during the mowing season and reservoir would be additional as needed. Chris wanted to know if they would sign a 3 year contract. Motion made to hire Chris pending acceptance of signed contract. June Motioned Jean Seconded.**

**Mowing should add triangle in paddy acre to list of areas needed to be mowed.**



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**\*Financials -**

**\*Other Business -**

**Glenda Hoffman - Wants to do a Calendar and sell the calendars to use the money to beautify the village. She has Lighted lamp posts that can be used to hold hanging baskets, and wants to get rid of the flower tubs. Glenda asked for permission to pursue. June motioned and Jean seconded to proceed.**

**Richard Roderick – Wanted to know about the missing items, Jean has a letter that will be sent to John Paye to enquire if he knows the location of missing water documentation and tools.**

**Don Waterman – stated he was in the parade and 302 cares won \$200 in the float contest.**

**Old Business – Parking issues on Main Street Letter received and attached will update on progress.**

**Motion to Adjourn 5:50 PM by Jean Welch Seconded by June Griswold**

Submitted by

Mary Schilke  
Wells River Village Clerk



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**Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation**  
**Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division**  
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Montpelier, VT 05620-3521 [fax] 802-828-1541  
<http://dec.vermont.gov/water>

*Agency of Natural Resources*

August 4, 2022

Wells River Water System  
Attn: Mary Schilke  
P.O. Box 7  
Wells River, VT 05081

Re: Sanitary Survey Letter, Wells River Water System, Public Community Water System, Newbury, VT, WSID #5176

Mary Schilke,

A sanitary survey of the Wells River Water System (Water System) was conducted on March 18, 2022. Willie Nickerson, Division Engineer, and I represented the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division (Division); John Paye, the former Designated Water System Operator, represented the Water System. A subsequent technical assistance site visit was conducted May 25, 2022, in order to assess the Water System's orthophosphate feed and residuals as well as filter assessments to determine if the media in the Water System's green sand filters had become compromised. Ray Solomon, Division Water Chemist, and I represented the Division; John Paye, the former Designated Water System Operator, represented the Water System. The Division issued the Water System a Permit to Operate (PTO) on Feb 26, 2015. Please note that the PTO does not have an expiration date, but the Division intends to amend the PTO in the near future.

During the survey and file review, the following significant deficiencies were identified and need to be resolved.

- 1. Inadequate Distribution System Pressure (Bible Hill):** Per Chapter 21, Appendix A, Part 8.1.1 of the Vermont Water Supply Rule (Rule), the system shall maintain a minimum pressure of 20 psi at ground level to all points in the distribution system under all conditions of flow. The Water System has made significant upgrades to the distribution network, including resizing water mains and constructing a new finished water storage tank at a slightly higher elevation; however at least four upper elevation connections of the Bible Hill distribution line still do not comply with Appendix A, Part 8.1.1 of the Rule, and are operating at unacceptable pressure conditions as defined in the Rule during normal operating conditions and fire flow events that cause water pressure on the Bible Hill distribution network to drop well below the 20 psi minimum required by the Rule.

**On or before February 1, 2023, the Water System must submit a hydraulic analysis of the distribution system and establish a hydraulic grade line at which the water system is capable of maintaining adequate distribution pressure in accordance with the Rule. On or before August 1, 2023, the Water System must submit a technically complete Permit to Construct application that proposes modifications to the Bible Hill section of the Water System and any other distribution pressure deficiencies discovered in the hydraulic analysis that addresses the low static and fire flow pressures observed.**

- 2. Inadequate Monthly Operating Reports (MORs):** Under Section V.B.1 of the Water System's PTO, *"The Permittee shall submit a signed report to the Division once a month, no later than ten (10) days*



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**Trustees Meeting 8/18/2022**

**Wells River Village Trustees Meeting.**

**Thursday August 18, 2022 4 pm**

**Present: Jason Winchester, Richard Roderick, Shannon Young, Mary Schilke, Brian Emerson, June Griswold, Jean Welch**

**Meeting called to order at 4pm**

**Agenda:**

**\*Approve Agenda** - Brian Moved accept Agenda Jean Seconded it.

**\*Review and Approve minutes from August 4, 2022** – Jean made a motion to accept as written June Seconded

**\* Correspondence** - Richard's letter was addressed and will be reviewed

**\*Highway: Review and Sign Shannon Young Contract-** Trustees attached a list of duties to the Barlow Approved Contract. Jean made a motion and June seconded. Various discussions on the roads to plow Jean made a motion to authorize Brian to sign once all Hiring papers are filled out. Shannon's request to store his own personal sand here was discussed, Shannon suggested he will pay all the sand with no cost to the Village. He was given approval Jean made a motion Shannon purchases all the sand with no reimbursement by the village. Brian Seconded all in favor. **Security Camera** was approved to be installed – June G. made motion Jean W. seconded All in favor.

**Discuss lease options** - Mary will check into finding out the lease wording that might work with our insurance.

Discussion on whether we should sell the truck or not. This was tabled for further discussion. Brian will do research.



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**Correspondence - from State re north end of town – No- no parking signs are allowed. June will discuss it more with the rep. Review and sign Chris Bruce Contract – Trustees signed as voted last trustee meeting.**

**Water: Discuss Sewer Bill to Woodsville - Now the pumps are working correctly bill has been drastically reduced we are working on getting a refund with Woodsville.**

**Hydrants need flushing. Will discuss with Jeffrey Morin.**

**Discuss non -Compliance water Pressure Bible Hill – Sept 5 th .**

**\*Financials: Nemrc has been ordered for new Meter System**

**Tax Sale?- Yes I can start looking into doing one .**

**\*Other Business :**

**Welcome Back Brian !!!!!** Brian wanted to thank everyone for all their kindness during his illness.

**Richard Roderick** was pleased tax bills were lower.

**Weight limits on Bible Hill need to be implemented. Action will be taken. Lawyer will be contacted.**

**Motion to Adjourn 5:20pm**

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Mary Schilke**

**Village Clerk**