



Village of Wells River
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1/4/2023

Trustee minutes

Present: Chip Conquest, Mike Thomas, Jean Welch, Mary Schilke, Jeff Morin, Shannon Young Ri

Call to order 4PM

Approve Agenda: Jean Moved Mike All In Favor

Approve 12/21/23 minutes. Jean Moved, Mike Seconded All in Favor

Highway – Grants in Aid – Work billed after the due date- We need to make sure all future work is submitted by due date. If an extension is needed we need to ask for it. Shannon put up the 2 signs up that were down. One on Golf Links One on Creamery . Tenant Parking State trooper gave us permission to tow the car as it was not stolen. He clarified if we thought it was damaged or stolen we should call them.

The speeding (Electronic signs) for the village are in storage. Alma Roystan wants to know if we will contribute to them, trustees want to know how much they are asking for. Chip will ask Alma what they are looking for our financial part. Questions as to if there permanent will also be asked.

Re Dumpster - It was decided to get one back Mary will call and get a small dumpster back.

Water and Sewer – The Leak across from Fire House in front of Hatchbox was broken The 2 across from the Connecticut River still need to be repaired and one was 2.1 to 2.5 gallons , while it is slowing down the river levels need to be lower than they are now in the river. Mike asked if there was any kind of staining to show a leak in the past Jeff didn't think so . These 2 breaks are the result of Munson installing the water lines.

Jeff cannot fix these leak issues, someone needs to come in and camera all of the lines. It is imperative we find someone to fix this. Chip is going to see if he can find assistance. Chip asked if Rural Water or J&S have said they could do the job. Jeff believes Rural Water could do it. Jeff still feels the meter needs to be relocated and installed properly. Jeff was told to go ahead and schedule Chaplin Assoc to come do the test and document the differences.

Jeff has been working with Katherine Martel to bring our O&M manual up to code. Numerous time has been sent sending her info.



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Penny Lezer and Eli Heath complained about the chlorine in their water more care needs to be taken in the execution of chemicals. Jeff tested it is a little high due diligence will be taken.

Clarification of new Water penalty fees. Mary had sent a letter to inform everyone of the new interest and penalty that will be applied. There was a typo in the letter but the information on the bill is correct 8% penalty if not paid by due date 1% for first 3 months and then 1.5% every month thereafter.

Non Payers of Water will be shut off ASAP. Mary asked for clarification of dealing with one consumer on Elm Street.

Financials: EUI Status Closing the Payroll Year End. Tax Sale Guidelines sent to each Trustee.

Public Comments WRAP annual meeting Feb 18 at 5pm more details to follow

Adjourn Meeting 5:07pm

**Respectfully Submitted
Mary Schile
Village Clerk**