



Village of Wells River
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Wells River Village Trustees Meeting
Thursday July 20,2023
4pm

Agenda:

- * Review Agenda for Approval add Hod Symes to Agenda, Jean Made Motion Mike Seconded
- * Review and Approve minutes from July 6th Meeting
- * Correspondence – Request for Abatement Kim Blaisdell Is sending a letter to request Tax Abatement. Select board will review and seek Legal counsel.
- * Financials – Tax Rate will need to be set at the next meeting; I will ask Mary Collins to attend meeting on August 3rd. Determine proper procedures.
- * Highway: Highway Contract Exec Session Delayed till next meeting, Currently it is at Jim Barlows.
Shannon was told about sink hole on Schaeffer Hill
Lorenzo Cyr requested when culverts are ditched that the cut material plugs the drains. he requested it get cleaned up.

Guest: Hod Symes spoke about 80 years ago ,5 residents did not come back from WW2. This was approved last year. A dedication will occur on Sept 14 at 6 pm in the evening. (See attached)
Hod requested 24 folding chairs be brought to the welcome center. and pick them up after 7PM
The Flag receptacles (3) need to have flags in them)
Remind Chris Bruce to mow the grass before then.



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* Water: System is still not removing Manganese as good as it should. An Email to the Pureflow system is forthcoming. The system started in 2017, not sure when it was started. John Kiernan will be asked. The chlorine level was increased to see if it would help the filters, but it did not. The problem could be the make up of the water. We need to find a plan to make them work. We were told to do an acid wash and we need to find someone to come do it. We need guidance on that.

A Tap for Monitoring also needs to be addressed.
Wastewater meters also need to be fine tuned and upgraded.

Jeff says there is a grant for the valve turning Aug 2 and 3rd. Mary will need to run an ad to say we will be flushing at night.

Sewer

John Kiernan is coming Monday 7/24/23 to check the meters and airline going to Woodsville and other items. Jeff is going to ask if there is a meter, we can install on Woodsville side to see if they monitor the same #s we get.

* Manhole repairs and water shutoffs Jeff is looking to see if there are seals to plug holes in Manhole covers. There are approx. 5 locations where there are shut offs that need to be dug up and repaired. Jeff talked to J&S and he would come do the work. There is no idea of what this would cost we will try to find out.

Chip said we are going to lean on Jeff for his expertise. Mike wanted to know if the homeowners needed notification the majority would not be affected by the water being shut off. Jeff thought we should try to start working on some of them.

- Review Cadmus meeting O&M was needed, Mary emailed it to Chip and he will send it to Cadmus.
- Mike Thomas Discuss getting grants.



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*Village – Nominate someone to represent as a leader at upcoming conference VLCT Conference - Mike Thomas is interested in going Jean made motion and Chip seconded

Public :

Richard Roderick wanted permission to use the sidewalk for the fall festival and selectboard said it would be fine.

A community list of events will be created. Contacting VLCT about policies regarding the use of public Spaces. Mary will contact VLCT.

Re Welcome Center Garbage – Richard wanted to know if Chris Bruce could add the emptying of trash when he mows for the Welcome Center. Jean Welch will talk to Chris.

Next Agenda:

Mike will report in on Cadmus

Meeting Adjourned 5:30pm