

VILLAGE OF LYNDONVILLE
TRUSTEES MEETING

August 17, 2015
5:30 PM

Trustees

Ray Durocher, Chair
Ron Aiken, Randy Amadon
Heather Bollman, Chris Hunter

Press

Amy Ash Nixon

Public

Dawn Dwyer, Justin Smith, Joe Dauphin
Steve Gray, Sue Teske, Elijah Buss (5:48PM)

Before the meeting was called to order, Justin Smith asked to add Valve Pit at Caledonia County Fairgrounds to the agenda.

1. Approval of Minutes:

Motion made by Ray Durocher, seconded by Randy Amadon, to approve the July 27, 2015 meeting minutes. Motion carried 4-0-1 with Chris Hunter abstaining as he was not present at this meeting. Motion made by Ray Durocher, seconded by Randy Amadon, to approve the July 27, 2015 Joint Meeting minutes with the Selectboard. Motion carried 4-0-1 with Chris Hunter abstaining as he was not present at this meeting.

2. Approval and signing of orders:

The board approved and signed the Accounts Payable orders drawn on the Treasurer for weeks 31 through 34.

3. Bicycle/Walking Safety Discussion:

Sue Teske spoke to the Board in regards to the interest that has been generated for a safer bike/pedestrian path. Local Motion (LM), a Burlington based non-profit organization has connected with a group of local residents. LM has partnered with VTrans to provide grant-funded support to five towns in developing bicycle and pedestrian safety action plans. Sue made clear that the local group is not looking for a financial commitment. Motion made by Chris Hunter, seconded by Ron Aiken to support the efforts.

4. Road Salt:

Cargill was once again the only company that extended road salt prices to municipalities under the State of Vermont's contract. The price is up 3% or \$2.35 to \$80.56. Joe Dauphin told the board that the Village Salt Shed is full of salt from the last season at the \$77.76 price.

Motion made by Chris Hunter, seconded by Ray Durocher, to purchase road salt from Cargill at \$80.56 for the 2015-2016 winter season. Motion carried 5-0.

5. Valve Pit at Caledonia County Fair Grounds:

Joe Dauphin explained the current valve pit is 17' below ground level with a pipe attached to the shut off valve. Upgrading the valve pit will eliminate the need to shut the water off to many residential and commercial accounts if there is a problem at the Fairgrounds. Currently the water would have to be shut off on the Lily Pond Road area as well as the Pinehurst Street area. Currently there also is the risk of getting back-flow into the water system from the 3-4 permanent buildings as well as the camping areas. A back-flow valve would also be installed. The budget includes \$22,000 for the engineering and construction to be done.

Motion made by Chris Hunter, seconded by Ron Aiken to accept the engineering agreement in the amount of \$5,300 from Aldrich & Elliott to perform the engineering service. Motion carried 5-0.

6. Other:

- a. Park Avenue Parking Lot: Michael Murphy, a Park Avenue resident, would like to be invited by the Trustees to attend a warned meeting to discuss the parking lot across from his house. The Board welcomes anyone to come to the open meetings to discuss their concerns regarding the Village. Justin has advised him that he would add an agenda item to the meeting if Mr. Murphy would like to attend.
- b. Banner Hanging: Chief Greg Hopkins has advised Justin Smith that with the installation of the new island on Broad Street by the Post Office they feel they will not be able to hang banners without blocking traffic. The Fire Department was observed on August 11th at approximately 7:00 PM hanging the Caledonia County Fair banner and traffic was able to navigate around the truck. Justin will revisit the topic with the Chief.
- c. Parking Along the Marked Bike Path: Dawn Dwyer, Clerk, contacted Shauna Clifford of VTTrans to get a determination as to whether vehicles can park along Main Street now that there is a marked bike path. The final answer came from John Dunleavy, Assistant Attorney General for VT Agency of Transportation. He said a marked bike lane would be a part of the travelled way, therefore it is illegal to park on the marked bike path.
- d. General Parking: With college starting back up, students are making their own parking spaces on lawns. It was discussed that cars cannot be parked in the greenspace between the sidewalk and the road. A ten foot greenspace is required along property lines.
- e. Village Crew: Oralie Lefaivre wanted the Board to pass along her compliments to the Village Crew for keeping the Village looking clean and picked up.
- f. Charles Street/Bickford Resolution: Heather Bollman asked if the Bickford parking issue on Charles Street had been resolved. Joe Dauphin explained that the Bickford's had their driveway and the greenspace paved. Their permit allowed for employee parking out behind their building and children drop off is allowed out front.

Motion made by Ray Durocher, seconded by Randy Amadon to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 PM.