

VILLAGE OF LYNDONVILLE
TRUSTEES MEETING

September 28, 2015
5:37 PM

Trustees

Ray Durocher, Chair
Randy Amadon
Chris Hunter

Press

Public

Justin Smith, Steve Gray
Bill & Robbie Walker
Ken Mason, Greg Cloutier

1. Approval of Minutes:

A majority of board members at the August 31, 2015 meeting were not in attendance to approve the minutes.

2. Approval and signing of orders:

The board approved and signed the Accounts Payable orders drawn on the Treasurer for weeks 37 through 40.

3. Water Bill Abatement:

Jeff & Mary Simpson are requesting an abatement of one ERU on their 88 Center Street apartment water bill. They had a toilet run in one of the apartments during one quarter in 2013 which caused their ERU's to be increased by one. They understand having to pay for the water that ran through the meter, but doesn't feel it is right to be penalized for a problem that was fixed two years ago.

Motion made Chris Hunter, seconded by Randy Amadon, to reduce the ERU's at 88 Center Street by one. Motion carried 3-0.

4. Stop Sign on Charles Street

Robert Howland is asking that the Trustees consider adding a stop sign at the foot of Charles Street so that there is a stop sign for both Charles Street and Tute Hill. Justin Smith has asked Chief Jack Harris to offer his input, but does not have his response at the time of the meeting. No action was taken at this time.

5. Parking Lot Lease Discussion:

The State of Vermont has contacted Justin Smith in regards to the Village leasing the parking lot next to Asia Restaurant. Justin has asked for a change in the lease agreement and has not had a reply from Larry Donna. Justin will continue to reach out to him. No action was taken at this time.

6. Water Delinquent Accounts:

Treasurer, Dawn Dwyer, has asked that the Board consider writing off two delinquent water accounts. Both delinquencies were due to bankruptcies; Telephone Operating Co. of Vermont, LLC in 2009 and Cabot Christmas Tree Farm, Canadian Imports LTD in 2006.

Motion made by Ray Durocher, seconded by Randy Amadon, to write off \$146.36 from the Telephone Operating Co. of Vermont, LLC due to bankruptcy in 2009. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion made by Chris Hunter, seconded by Randy Amadon, to write off \$519.20 from Cabot Christmas Tree Farm, Canadian Imports LTD due to bankruptcy in 2006. Motion carried 3-0.

7. Bandstand Park Request:

Lyndon Institute (LI) is requesting to use Bandstand Park for their annual pep rally on the evening of Friday, October 16, 2015. LI's Student Council will have the park cleaned up after the event by 10:00 AM on Saturday, October 17, 2015. Motion made by Randy Amadon, seconded by Ray Durocher, to allow LI to use Bandstand Park on Friday, October 16th for their annual pep rally with clean up completed by Saturday, October 17th. Motion carried 3-0.

8. Proposed Land Transaction:

Bill & Robbie Walker submitted a proposal to purchase excess property owned by the Village of Lyndonville located on Pudding Hill. His proposal would be to purchase the south slope to within 50' of the power line. Ken Mason, General Manager of Lyndonville Electric Department, would like to swap the south slope for the area just beyond the sub-station, to within 200' of the Walker's house. The Walkers would like some time to consider the swap. No action was taken at this time.

9. Other:

- a. Joint Garage: Ken Burchesky expressed his concern for the 40/60 split between the Town and Village for paying for the joint garage proposal. He does not feel it is a fair split as the Village grand list is much smaller than the Town's. Mr. Burchesky is working on several other options to spread the costs.

The meeting was turned over to LED at 6:40 PM.