



Village of Hyde Park
Board of Trustees
Minutes of January 12, 2022

The duly warned regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was held Wednesday, January 12, 2022 in the Town Community Room.

Trustees: Chair Riki French; Jack Anderson, Peter Gallo, Dan Young and Adam Lory
Others: Carol Robertson, General Manager and Karen Wescom, Clerk/Treasurer

Chair Riki French called the regular meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. There were no public comments. There were no revisions or additions to the agenda. The GM presented and discussed a web message to Trustees from a North Hyde Park resident expressing concerns about a section of right-of-way clearing, possible erosion causing damage to the water treatment building property, as well as causing post boxes to lean, and eagerness for the online payment portal. The GM reported that the Foreman inspected the section of right-of-way for timely clearing and determined that the water treatment building property was in good condition. The online payment portal has been delayed, yet moving forward to activation. The Chair expressed appreciation for the resident's concern and communication.

The Chair presented the Northwest Regional Planning Commission's (NRPC) work with the Lamoille County Planning Commission to address water quality issues throughout northwest Vermont. The Department of Environmental Conservation selected NRPC to serve as the "Clean Water Service Provider" (CWSP) for the basin encompassing land draining to the mouth of the Lamoille River. The Basin Water Quality Councils will initially consist of nine members. The Chair advised that NRPC will select two representatives from municipalities in the Lamoille basin and interested persons should apply.

Motion by Jack Anderson and second by Dan Young to approve the minutes of December 8, 2021. The motion carried. Warrants were reviewed, approved and signed.

Motion by Jack Anderson and second by Peter Gallo to approve the GM's request to submit a grant application to the Vermont Low Income Trust for Electricity (VLITE), provided that that Green Mountain Technology Center agrees to use the grant funds to provide low-income electric customers with free weatherization products and services. The motion carried unanimously.

The GM discussed the need for an executive session for the purpose of discussion of contracts and confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing

professional legal services to the body. Motion by Jack Anderson and second by Dan Young to enter executive session at 6:25 p.m. with the GM and Clerk/Treasurer attending. The motion carried.

Motion by Jack Anderson and second by Peter Gallo to end executive session and return to regular session at 7:55 p.m. The motion carried.

The GM briefly reviewed utility operations and discussed the preliminary meeting with Department of Public Service staff and Energy New England (ENE) for the 2022 Integrated Resources Plan (IRP) due in July.

There being no further business, motion by Jack Anderson and second by Dan Young to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. The motion carried.

Riki French, Chair

Date