



VILLAGE OF HYDE PARK

Thursday January 15, 2025

Village Office

167 Main Street, Hyde Park

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING Minutes

Trustee Members: Present: Frederika French, Chair; Peter Gallo, Clerk; Sue Trainor; Amy O'Toole;
Staff Present: Karen Wescom

Public: Scott Johnstone of Morrisville Water & Light; Ken Nolan of Vermont Public Power Supply Authority; Grace Sawyer of Vermont Public Power Supply Authority; Peter Raymond of Sheehey, Furlong & Behm PC

1. Chair French called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.
2. Chair French asked if there were any modifications or changes to the agenda.

Sue Trainor made a motion to add an executive session to the agenda prior to the action items as item #6. The motion was seconded by Peter Gallo. The motion passed.

Sue Trainor made a motion to add Consideration and approval of Loan from Union Bank for Village Current Expenses and related agreements to the action items as Item # 7. The motion was seconded by Amy O'Toole. The motion passed.

3. Chair French asked if there were any public comments and/or individuals who would like to address the Board. There was no public comment.
4. Scott Johnstone, Interim Village Manager, gave a brief update on the preparations for the Village Annual Meeting. A brief discussion ensued.
5. Jim Mahoney and Garret Hirschack, as representatives from 183 Main St. LLC presented a request for an easement to access the back of the property. Discussion ensued.
6. Executive Session: Sue Trainor made a motion to find that premature public knowledge of contractual negotiations and confidential discussions with the attorney would place the Village at a substantial disadvantage. The motion was seconded by Peter Gallo. The motion passed.

Sue Trainor made a motion to enter Executive Session, under the provisions of 1 V.S.A §313(a)(1)(A) and (F) to discuss financial instruments and request Ken Nolan, Peter Raymond,

Grace Sawyer, Scott Johnstone & Karen Wescom be included. The motion was seconded by Amy O'Toole. The motion passed.

Board returned to regular session at 6:15 pm

Sue Trainor made a motion to approve the village Current Expense Note. The motion was seconded by Peter Gallo. The motion passed.

Peter Gallo made a motion to approve the village Resolution for the Current Expense Note. The motion was seconded by Sue Trainor. The motion passed.

Sue Trainor made a motion to approve the village Rate Revenue Pledge Agreement. The motion was seconded by Amy O'Toole. The motion passed.

Sue Trainor made a motion to approve and authorize the Chair to sign the Forbearance Agreement. The motion was seconded by Amy O'Toole. The motion passed.

Peter Raymond made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Sue Trainor. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 pm

WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING

Minutes

Trustee Members: Present: Frederika French, Chair; Peter Gallo, Clerk; Sue Trainor; Amy O'Toole;
Staff Present: Karen Wescom

Public: Scott Johnstone of Morrisville Water & Light; Ken Nolan of Vermont Public Power Supply Authority; Grace Sawyer of Vermont Public Power Supply Authority;

1. Chair French called the meeting to order at 6:19 PM.
2. Chair French asked if there were any modifications or changes to the agenda. There were none.
3. Chair French asked if there were any public comments and/or individuals who would like to address the Board. There was no public comment.
4. Scott Johnstone, Interim Village Manager, gave a brief update on the water reservoir engineering results. A brief discussion ensued.

Peter Raymond made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Amy O'Toole. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm

ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSION MEETING Minutes

Trustee Members: Present: Frederika French, Chair; Peter Gallo, Clerk; Sue Trainor; Amy O'Toole;

Staff Present: Karen Wescom

Public: Scott Johnstone of Morrisville Water & Light; Ken Nolan of Vermont Public Power Supply Authority; Grace Sawyer of Vermont Public Power Supply Authority;

1. Chair French called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
2. Chair French asked if there were any modifications or changes to the agenda. Peter Gallo made a motion to add an action item to approve the Electric Utility Rate Revenue Pledge Agreement as Item # 5a. The motion was seconded by Chair French. The motion passed.
3. Chair French asked if there were any public comments and/or individuals who would like to address the Board. There was no public comment.
4. Peter Gallo made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 15, 2026 meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Chair French. The motion passed.
5. There were no warrants presented to approve.

5.a Sue Trainor made a motion to approve the Electric Utility Rate Revenue Pledge Agreement. The motion was seconded by Peter Gallo. The motion passed.
6. Scott Johnstone, Interim Village Manager, gave a brief update on the status of the call center and discussed next steps.
7. Scott Johnstone, Interim Village Manager, gave a brief update on the status of the Sub-Station and the next steps in the repair process. A brief discussion ensued.
8. Scott Johnstone, Interim Village Manager, gave a brief update on some of the items in his written report to the Commission including but not limited to a Senate bill related to "front porch solar". A brief discussion ensued.

9. Grace Sawyer of the Vermont Public Power Supply Authority provide a written report to the Commission and gave a brief update on fluid situation. A brief discussion ensued.
10. There was no Chair report.
11. During the roundtable discussion Sue Trainor noted that a water rate payor had complained about their bill, because they were leaving water running so it did not freeze. Sue also asked about the possibility of implementing a budget billing option in the future. Scott Johnstone, Interim Village Manager, noted that a Special Meeting will be held on February 19th @ 5pm before their training session to ratify the action items that were added to the agenda today.
12. Executive session: N/A
13. Peter Gallo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Amy O'Toole. The motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Wescom
Village Clerk