

Waterville Estates Village District Commission

March 19, 2016

Minutes

I. At 9 AM, Moderator Samantha Ciaston called the meeting to order and welcomed all attendees. She indicated that there was coffee and donuts for our pleasure. There were 14 voters in attendance.

II. Warrant Article 1 Election of Officers: Sam read the list of those positions to be filled.

Commissioner (3 year term) – Lloyd Wiley was nominated by Art Marx; seconded by Ned. All approved.

Treasurer (1 year term)– Barbara Lajeunesse was nominated by Lloyd Willey; seconded by Art Marx. All approved.

Clerk (1 year term) - Ann Verow was nominated by Sam Ciaston; seconded by Ned Gordon. All approved.

Moderator (2 year term) – Sam Ciaston was nominated by Lloyd Willey; seconded by Ann. All approved.

III. Swearing In of officers: Judy Kinney led the procedure. All new and existing officers were successfully sworn in.

IV. Review and Passage of Warrant Article 2 for Budget 2016:

\$1.5 million projected spending for 2015; 1.29 actually spent.

Lloyd explained that the VD does not a lot of control on revenues since the town sets the tax rate based upon our appropriation so the review of the 2015 and 2016 budget will focus on the appropriation for expenses, line by line with emphasis on where the major changes are scheduled to occur.

Insurance costs have increased substantially. This is primarily the result of only 1 claim from a worker who worked for us only one day.

Increase also due to change in general liability from LCG (no longer offering services) to Primex.

\$15K increase on water treatment. There is a continuing need to upgrade.

Building electricity: 61K in budget; 52K spent last year; 55 K projected for this year.

Paving 74K. Asphalt and oil costs are way down. Plan to do a lot more this year to take advantage of the low cost of asphalt. The Town is scheduled to finish Winterbrook this year. Ned asked a question about the surplus from last year ; Corey explained that those monies were rolled over into 2016.

Water Capital Repairs - \$12,500. Both indoor pools need to be re-plastered. 60K for HVAC. Outdoor shingles required for roof. New cable needed for lift. Tennis courts require \$19K. Jim Murphy and Tony were thanked for their efforts on this project. \$10K needed to continue the painting of the Community Center.

Kitchen requires 5K.

Ski area ramp and bathrooms 30K. The Board will contribute 40K from CIF.

Rec Fund Contingency – same as last year.

Ski Area had an offset of 30K. We did well in 2015 and did not have to use it.; not so this year due to lack of snow.

More retirees are moving into the area as full timers. Great news! This led to a question from Bertino about additional programs for these folk. He will present Corey with his plan for same. Tom Avalone

expressed his pleasure over our healthy budget then explained that our "double taxation" was a detrement to prospective buyers Corey explained that Town taxes have risen much more than Estate taxes. Lloyd indicated that taxes will not be going either up or down. Mike Herring noted that this information should be added to our website.

The II Warrant article was read by the Moderator and passed with everyone in favor except for one . (See copy of Warrant Article II attached).

V. Review of Minutes from February 23rd Meeting – passed on a motion by Harry Learned.

VI . Current Account Balances:

Northway \$19,562.60

MVSB \$354,307.12

Rec Fund Account \$92,725.13

Friends of Campton Mountain \$11,400.74

VII. Review of Audited financial 2015 – we have a new auditor. Audited Figures are available for anyone who wants to see them.

VIII. Old Business – There was none.

IX. Major Project Review – Corey showed everyone the pictures of these projects including those of our new truck. Pool work is scheduled to begin March 28th and continue into April.

X. New Business – None

XI. Residents Input – nothing further

XII. Next Meeting date – set for April 27th at 5pm

XIII Executive Session – there was no need for one.

Adjournment – at 10:17 on a motion by Harry Learned, seconded by Allison Gordon All agreed to adjourn



Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Verow