PLVD Monthly Meeting Nov 20, 2024

Meeting called to order: 5:32 pm

Roll Call: Chairman Andrew Pomeroy, Commissioner Susan Lawrence, Commissioner Michael Malecha, Treasurer Jamie Dow, Clerk Alison Scott.

Christie Marston, Ed Lawrence, Russ Lauffer, John Maraganis, Marylou Maraganis, Nancy French, Jennifer Buck, Erin, Rachel Gagnon, and Alex Cilley

On zoom: Jeff Perry, Donna Kenney, Claudette Levesque, Mike et al, Bruce Waite, Amanda and Guest, Senator Dan Innis,

Chairman Andrew made a motion to approve the Oct Monthly meeting minutes, motion was second and passes.

Temporary Chairmanship

Chairman Pomeroy indicates that he does not have the time to keep up with current PLVD business adequately and moves that Commissioner Malecha become the Chairman temporarily for an unspecified period of time. Commissioner Lawrence seconds and the motion passes.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer discussed current and pending invoices Treasurer Jamie Dow presented 2 sealed bids received for Plowing contract. Bids were received from Poulan and Tim Lorden Commissioners discussed the bids.

Commissioner Michael made a motion to accept the lower bid contingent upon a successful walkthrough to be sure the scope of work was clear and agreed upon. Andrew seconds. The motion passes.

Senator Dan Innis joined the meeting via zoom.

Senator Dan stated that debt is the problem. He proposed that he would create a bill to cover the debt. He believes that the State will be willing to help the lake. Treasurer Jamie shared that the Water Filtration Loan, \$28,000, is paid in July. The Concord Drive Loan, \$9,475, is paid in October. The question was posed, with respect to the grant/loan intended for additional drilling at Franklin Pierce, would this be included? Senator asked "is it absolutely needed, if so we would plug this in." Chairman Andrew shared the advantage of installing a new well at Franklin Pierce and being able to shut down Peninsula. Andrew explained the impact of customers coming off the system. Senator Innis was optimistic. He said that he would reach out to DES and see what can be done. Commissioner Michael

asked if anything might be available at the Federal Level. Senator Innis said that he would reach out to Senator Maggie Hassan's office to explore options there. He will put the Bill in before Thanksgiving and get it moving through the system. The process is as follows: the bill will go in and get a hearing probably Feb. Then it is sent over to the House, looking at March/April.

Commissioner Michael recapped that Abby from Edgewater is doing an aggressive analysis of the system to determine how many users the system can support after turning off Peninsula. Jamie reported an updated customer number will be 34. The commissioners discussed short term, mid-term and long-term responsibility for the system. The Edgewater analysis may indicate that the new FP well would not be noted so no loan support would be required through Dan's bill.

Security Grant

Chairman Andrew spoke with Melissa Lang, and she said that the Security Grant can not fund a land purchase.

Consumer Protection Agency and NHMA Responses

Commissioner Michael provides an update on the response to the DOJ Consumer Protection Agency, explaining the complexities of the billing process. He expresses frustration with the lack of a response from the DOJ, highlighting the need for a clear understanding of the process.

Marylou inquiries about the status of the NHMA review, Chairman Andrew confirms that the response has been provided. Michael confirms that NHMA continues to give the same response. Mary Lou continues to suggest the Commissioners are not understanding her request. Commissioner Michael asks Mary Lou to put her question in writing so that they can better understand what she is requesting. He also offers to personally explain the billing process to address Mary Lou's and John's misunderstandings.

Budget and Financial Planning

Commissioner Michael emphasizes the importance of forecasting the cost per gallon for water for the next year to help users understand their bills. Treasurer Jamie confirms that the budget season will start soon, and they will need to plan for high-priority items for the clubhouse.

Commissioner Michael went over the budget and current collections totals and discussed the shortage due to accounts not yet paid. Commissioner Michael stresses that every payment plan that has been presented has been accepted. Commissioner Michael asks Treasurer Jamie, even though we have a large amount of uncollected, are we keeping current with our payments? She said yes. Those who have made no payments and those who made "token" payments but have made no attempt to create a payment plan will be receiving a lien notice in the next week or two, including those who filed complaints with the DOJ. It is the board's obligation to collect all funds voted in the March annual meeting including outstanding invoices from water customers.

Clubhouse

Commissioner Michael requests community members to help with gathering estimates for improvements to the clubhouse. It encourages community members to get involved in the process to leave their mark on the community. These projects can be presented for next year's budget. Donna Kenney inquired if the discrepancy for the clubhouse water usage has been resolved. It is being addressed by Aquamen but has not yet been resolved.

Love Our Lake and Dock Relocation

SOLitude's annual final report to the state is on the website in its entirety. The are now 2 licensed treatment companies in NH. The committee will pursue competitive bidding for lake treatments after the first of the year. Discussion regarding the donation of a dock by Jeff and the need to relocate it before winter. Potential locations for the dock were considered, and a project to create a larger gate in the chain link fence behind the playground for access will be on a warrant for next year. Jennifer Buck also has a floating swim raft to donate that she would like relocated as well.

Beaver Control and Maintenance Budget.

Commissioner Michael raises the issue of beavers building a hutch near the peninsula and the need for control measures. Treasurer Jamie confirms that beaver control would come from the PLD lake maintenance budget. Nancy French expresses concern about the impact of removing beavers on the lake ecosystem. Commissioner Michael agrees to explore the cost of beaver control and the availability of funds in the maintenance budget.

Rules and Regulations Review

Ed Lawrence volunteers to rewrite the district's rules and regulations to make them realistic and enforceable and present to the PLVD. Chairman Andrew explains the need to compare local residential zoning ordinances and adopt suitable language for the district. Commissioner Susan questions the enforceability of new rules without a governing agency. Commissioner Andrew indicates he and Commissioner Michael have been working with the Webster zoning board. If Webster will adopt newly proposed residential zoning regulations, then the Webster Zoning Board and Police Department will be responsible for enforcement.

Action items

- Andrew to confirm plowing locations with Tim Lorden prior to accepting Bid. He will reach out to schedule a walk through.
 - ** Andrew confirmed locations on 11/23/2024 and PLVD accepted the Tim Lorden plowing bid for 2024-2025 Season.
- Andrew to follow up on training to monitor the Peninsula well by Aquamen and share with commissioners by the end of Dec.
- Dan Innis to Contact Senator Maggie Hassan's office to explore potential federallevel support.
- Treasurer Jamie to provide Abby with the latest information on the number of customers who have installed wells and to work with Abby to review the updated water distribution analysis and provide feedback.
- Commissioner Susan to investigate the high-water usage at the clubhouse with Aquamen.
- Michael to explore options and costs for removing the beaver dam near the Peninsula pump house.
- Commissioner Michael to Coordinate with Russ, Ed and Jeff to relocate the donated dock to an appropriate location. Also to find a place to store raft donated by Jennifer Buck.
- Ed Lawrence to begin to review the community's rules and regulations and propose updates to align with the local residential zoning ordinances of nearby communities.

Chairman Andrew makes a motion to move into a non-public session at 7:01, the motion is seconded and passes.

The Commissioners return from non-public session at 7:32 A motion is made to adjourn the meeting, it is second, and passes

Meeting is adjourned at 7:32