**VILLAGE DISTRICT OF EIDELWEISS**

**Commissioners Meeting**

**Monday June 12, 2023**

The Board of Commissioners met at 11:00am on Monday June 12, 2023.

In attendance for the public meeting are Commissioner Ralph Lutjen, Commissioner Mark Graffam, Commissioner Mike Smith, Alexis Wagoner-Administrator, Doug Prescott & Jay Buckley.

Meeting videotaped by Kasia of Madison TV

**Ralph Lutjen makes a motion to open the meeting at 11:00am, Mike Smith 2nds, passes 3-0**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

Ralph Lutjen explains the purpose of the meeting is to evaluate water system operators and review Simply Water’s contract adjustments.

Ralph Lutjen reviews the major changes in Simply Water’s contract:

-The monthly fee is going to increase from $1,650.00 to $3,800.00

-The hourly fee is also going to increase from $65.00 for employees to $75.00 and to $125.00 for the owner.

-Simply Water will no longer hire a contractor that will have to be done by the VDOE.

Mike Smith states that Simply Water is clearly the better option.

**Mike Smith makes a motion to continue with Simply Water as the water operator with the proposed new conditions, Ralph Lutjen 2nds, passes 2-1-0 Mark Graffam abstained.**

The office is going to communicate with Ian Hayes and have him send over a revised contract for review.

**Mike Smith makes a motion to contact DES and inform them that we have decided to continue with Simply Water, Ralph Lutjen 2nds, passes 3-0**

**Mike Smith makes a motion to search for a preferred contractor to do water digs since Simply Water will no longer be doing them. Contact FX Lyons, LRW and some others we come up with, Ralph Lutjen 2nds passes 3-0**

Discussion on contacting the other two operators with our decision to stay with Simply Water. Mark Graffam suggests waiting to inform them until a contract has been signed with Simply Water.

Jay Buckley questions if the Commissioners have thought about anything they wanted added into the contract like work orders which was discussed in the past. Ralph Lutjen replies we will look at the contract and then decide.

Doug Prescott comments on the section about no more volunteer work being done, some grants require volunteers. Ralph Lutjen replies we will deal with that if need be.

Mark Graffam questions if mapping is going to get better going forward.

Ralph Lutjen discusses looking at projects that we should pursue and going forward with them. Ledge probing at Interlaken to get a better quote, increased mapping and doing cluster valves.

**Mike Smith makes a motion to adjourn at 11:15am, Ralph Lutjen 2nds, passes 3-0**

Respectfully submitted,

Alexis Wagoner, Administrator.