

VILLAGE DISTRICT OF EIDELWEISS
Commissioner's Meeting
Wednesday, January 22, 2025

The Board of Commissioners met at 1:00pm on January 22, 2025. In attendance for the public meeting are Commissioner Mark Graffam, Commissioner Wooda McNiven, Commissioner Nancy Cole, Treasurer Dinah Riess, Foreman Jeff DeMartino and Administrator Jennifer Scully.

The meeting was videotaped by Carol Dandeneau.

Public Meeting

At 1:00pm Commissioner Mark Graffam calls the meeting to order.

1. Approval of Agenda

Mark Graffam makes a motion to approve the 1/22/25 Agenda, adding continuation of the public meeting at the VDOE Administration Office at 3:30pm. There will also be a Non-public session at end. Wooda McNiven 2nds and the motion is passed 3-0-0.

2. Approval of Minutes

- **Mark Graffam makes a motion to approve the meeting minutes of 1/14/25. Comments for amendments were made by Wooda McNiven and Mark Graffam. The motion is passed 3-0-0, with amendments.**

3. Approval of the Manifest

- **Operations & Payroll – Mark Graffam makes a motion to approve the Operations and Payroll Manifest of \$27,178.06. Nancy Cole 2nds, and the motion is passed 3-0-0.**
- **Water – Mark Graffam makes a motion to approve the Water Assessment Manifest of \$125.00. Nancy Cole 2nds, and the motion is passed 3-0-0.**

4. Jeff DeMartino – DPW @ 1:08pm

- **Jeff advises that the chains ordered from B-B Chains may be more than originally advised. He realized the chain shape is square therefore a bit more costly. Jeff also ordered shackles for lifting the plow up.**
- **Jeff will be sure that the flag is raised back up on January 28th.**
- **There has been a purchase of two more triaxle loads of road salt and 4 loads of sand.**
- **Jeff informs the Commissioners that the springs on the plow trip edges need to be replaced, on both trucks, and asks for permission to purchase. Mark Graffam makes a motion to allow Jeff to purchase the springs, up to a total of \$610.00. Nancy Cole 2nds and the motion is passed 3-0-0.**
- **Mark Graffam makes a motion to allow Jeff to purchase up to \$200.00 for a Pickleball Net to use at the DPW Salt Shed. This is an attempt at a temporary solution to deter the stealing of**

the VDOE salt & sand until a more permanent solution can be made. This will include locks. Nancy Cole 2nds and the motion is passed 3-0-0.

5. Important dates and times @ 1:30pm

- Deadline for Declaring Candidacy – January 24th, VDOE Admin office open till 5pm
 - 1 Commissioner – 3yr term
 - 1 Clerk – 2yr term
- Deadline for Petitioned Warrant Articles – February 7th
- Budget Hearing – February 7th, 2nd Budget Hearing (if needed) – February 14th
6pm at the Madison Town Hall
- Annual Meeting – March 8th, 8am at the Madison Elementary School's Gymnasium

6. Old Business/Tabled Items

- Wooda has made a motion to allow Porter Office to install the Bizhub Printer, prior to the Annual Meeting, based on the confirmation that there will be no penalties to return the printer should voters not approve the warrant. Nancy 2nds and the motion is passed 3-0-0.
- Mark Graffam makes a motion to allow Jennifer to attend the Annual Meeting. Nancy Cole 2nds and the motion is passed 3-0-0.
- Dan Brown Estimates for electrical power & lighting at Eidelweiss Beach – Phase 1 at \$6,580.00 and Phase 2 at \$4,650, total \$11,230. Wooda McNiven makes a motion that this project be a Petitioned Warrant Article, requiring signatures. Mark Graffam 2nds and the motion is passed 3-0-0.

7. 2025 Proposed Budget updated 1/13/25 – Line-item review @ 1:48pm

- Under General Government Bldgs – proposed 2025 updated from \$8,000 to \$10,000.
- Property Insurance deductible increases to \$1,000.
- Property Damage Insurance Deductible for Operations – propose to increase from \$850 to \$1,000.
- Highway Equipment/Truck&Supplies – proposed 2025 updated from \$50,000 to \$55,000
- Road Salt – proposed 2025 updated from \$18,000 to \$20,000
- Culvert/Basin – proposed 2025 updated from \$2,000 to \$2,500
- Dust Control/Other – proposed 2025 updated from \$10,000 to \$12,000
- TAN Interest – proposed 2025 updated from \$6,000 to \$4,000
- Telemetry (SCADA) – proposed updated from \$5,000 to \$20,000

8. Public Session recessed, to continue at the VDOE Administration Office @ 3:03pm

Mark Graffam makes a motion to recess and continue the public session at the VDOE Administration Office at 3:30pm. Nancy Cole 2nd and the motion is passed 3-0-0.

9. Public Session resumed at the VDOE Administration Office @ 3:25pm

Video conference call with members of the NH Homeland Security and FEMA to discuss the four projects and how we could best incorporate those projects into 2025 Warrant Articles and the need for pursuing small business loans to accomplish these projects.

10. Adjourn Public Session @ 3:45pm

Mark Graffam makes a motion to adjourn the public session and to move into a Non-Public Session, citing 91-A:3,II(c&e).

**Roll Call vote: Mark Graffam – yes
 Nancy Cole – yes
 Wooda McNiven - yes**

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