

VILLAGE DISTRICT OF EIDELWEISS

Commissioner's Meeting

Wednesday, September 23, 2026

The Board of Commissioners Meeting was held at 9:00 am on Wednesday, September 23, 2026. In attendance at the public meeting are Commissioners; Mark Graffam, Nancy Cole, and Wooda McNiven. Jeff DeMartino, DPW Foreman. Also in attendance; Doug Prescott, VDOE Clerk, and homeowner, Bob D'Ambra.

Evan Woss from Madison TV videotaped this meeting.

Public Meeting

At 9:00 am Commissioner, Wooda McNiven, calls the meeting to order.

- **Approval of Agenda:** @ 9:00

Wooda McNiven made a motion to discuss and approve the agenda, Nancy Cole 2nd.

Motion passed 3-0.

- **Approval of Minutes:** September 16th, 2026 @ 9:03

Wooda McNiven made a motion to discuss and approve the minutes from September 16th, 2026, Nancy 2nd. Corrections needed are as follows: At the beginning of the minutes, Chuck McGee is the Chairman of the Carroll County Commissioners (plural). Change Mad TV to Madison TV. In Jeff's report change two trucks not "town" trucks. In Mark's report 4th line "grit" should be "grate", should say support the grate, not wall. Also in Mark's report, roads listed: Bergamo Road, should be Lugano Road. In public comments, change Commission to Commissioners. Remove the roll call at the end of the meeting. Approval of minutes, Eidelweiss is misspelled. **Motion passed 3-0 as amended.**

- **Approval of Manifest:** @ 9:11

Wooda McNiven made a motion to discuss and approve the \$1,148.56 Operations Manifest. Nancy 2nd
Motion passed 3-0.

Wooda McNiven made a motion to discuss and approve the \$4,441.83 Water Manifest.
Nancy 2nd Motion passed 3-0.

- **DPW Report** @ 9:13

DPW put headers on the culverts DPW did this summer. Jeff got a price on the articulating loader for ditching which is \$1,600 for the week. The loader will be used while using the grader to V ditch on Adelboden Way, Jungfrau Road, and Aspen Drive. This will be more efficient at loading the trucks and will take place next week.

Nancy Cole made a motion to have the DPW rent a loader at the cost of \$1,600 a week for next week.
Wooda McNiven 2nd. Motion passed 3-0.

Mark Graffam mentioned the DPW did a nice job on the Huttwil Road culvert replacement. The DPW got all the plastic over to the Transfer Station. They have metal that will go to the Transfer Station next week. The DPW II Lot has been cleaned up. Jeff questioned the condition of the Cabana's structure. There was a

discussion regarding the Bay Door of the Cabana and the items stored in it. Jeff feels the items stored are of no use to the DPW.

Mark Graffam made a motion to clear everything out of that garage. Nancy 2nd. Motion passed 3-0.

There was a discussion regarding the impending storm and how it may affect the roads. Wooda McNiven started a discussion regarding the scrappage of the International Truck and how Ricker Auto Salvage will manage it. Mark Graffam mentioned issues with traffic and speeding issues within the Village District. Jeff went into detail and mentioned specific instances where drivers have been seen driving recklessly. Mark would like a memo sent to the Madison Police Department regarding the excessing speeding and the specific identification of some of the vehicles and large trucks.

- **Commissioner's Concerns/Reports @ 9:43**

Mark Graffam: Mark started a discussion regarding why we should deal with problems in the district before they become a bigger problem. He cited an example with a dam in Ossipee NH. DPW received raises. Jeff DeMartino received a 10% raise. Part-time employee, Tony Eldridge had his hourly rate increased to \$55 per hour. Both Jeff and Tony are very valuable. A review for the newest employee, Brandon, will be coming up. He is doing a great job. We want to be sure the DPW knows we are behind them. The Summit Tank Station did not show any water after the rain this Sunday.

Mark Graffam made a motion that we approve his (SJE Building Renovations LLC) price of \$13,358.64. Nancy 2nd. Motion passed 3-0. (This motion is to make repairs, install insulation, etc.)

The Town of Madison has an ordinance to assess a fine of \$275 per day if you have a contractor's sign in front of your house without contractor work taking place. Mark noted there are contractor signs in Eidelweiss that have been there for months without work being done. Mark would like to make homeowners aware of this ordinance.

Mark made a motion that we have the meeting on Tuesday November 24th at the office. Nancy Cole 2nd. Motion passed 3-0.

Mark mentioned the NH Dept of Environmental Services is trying to make the turnaround of culvert permitting faster. He is investigating grants that could be available to the VDOE.

Wooda McNiven:

Wooda spoke with Keene Chrysler yesterday about a communication issues with the VDOE. This has been resolved. The Ram 5500 has been transported to HP Fairfield for the plow installation. Documents are being sent to the office for the Ram 5500 today. He and Nancy will look them over prior to Wooda McNiven signing them. The notice about the uranium is going out today. Minuteman Press is printing and mailing the notice. Once the bill comes in from Minuteman Press, Wooda will fill out the supplemental reporting paperwork. The office will send all the appropriate information to the NH Department of Environmental Services notifying them we have complied with their 30-day mandate of notification. The installing of the new Eidelweiss sign will be scheduled later. Mark Graffam will produce a plan and get a lift scheduled to hang the sign.

Nancy Cole: A discussion was brought up about payroll taxes and how it should be split between Operations and Water in QuickBooks.

Mark Graffam made a motion that 100% of payroll taxes are paid out of the Operations. Nancy Cole 2nd. Motion passed 3-0.

A phone call came in regarding a curbstop location issue on Lugano Drive.

Mark Graffam made a motion that we call them back and ask him if he'd like a copy of the card that we really do not want him touching or digging it up. Wooda McNiven 2nd. Motion passed 3-0.

Nancy wanted the Commissioners to be aware there is a potential rule change that would increase fines for dam owners from the NH Department of Environmental Services. She saw an energy proposal to recontract with Neighborhood Energy. This proposal is 12-24 months. This will be discussed further at a later meeting.

- **Water @ 10:25**
Nothing to report.
- **Administrator's Report @ 10:25**
Nancy Cole made a motion to sign the driveway permit for construction for 1 Little Loop. Mark Graffam 2nd. Motion passed 3-0.
- **Old Business/Tabled Items @ 10:26**
Nothing to report.
- **Signature Items @ 10:26**
Mark Graffam made a motion to approve this one (a leave request for the Office Manager). Wooda McNiven 2nd. Motion passed 3-0
- **Correspondence @ 10:28**
Nothing to report.
- **Non-Agenda items @ 10:28**
Nothing to report.
- **Public Comments @ 10:28**
Doug Prescott spoke about the Cabana cleanout. The volunteers were Willy Burnell, Guy Marino, and himself. The DPW support was terrific. They brought heaps of items to the Transfer Station. Doug noticed a hole in the wall and asked if the EPOA could have permission to plug it in to prevent pests from entering the Cabana. When the swim rafts got pulled from the water, he noticed the chains were deteriorating. He will research the cost of replacing them with stainless steel. EPOA will put a coat of water seal on the swim rafts before spring. Doug doesn't think it's realistic to have the perching at Thusis Beach completed this year. He questioned if the funds could be encumbered for next year. Nancy asked about the quote for pumping out the old outhouses. Doug hasn't received a quote yet. He will keep investigating the pumping of the outhouses and a remedy to keep trash out of the pits so they can be pumped.

@10:40 Wooda McNiven makes a motion to go into non-public session. Nancy 2nd. Mark Graffam, yes; Wooda McNiven, yes; Nancy Cole, yes; The motion passed 3-0.