

JOHNSON VILLAGE TRUSTEE BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
JOHNSON MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2016

**Present:**

Trustees: Gordon Smith, Walter Pomroy and David Goddette

Others: Sandy Miller (Interim Manager)

**Note: All votes taken are unanimous unless otherwise noted.**

**1. Call to Order**

Gordy called the meeting to order at 6:00.

**2. Changes, Additions to Proposed Agenda**

It was agreed to add a discussion on a composting facility by Lamoille Solid Waste District, discussion about the GreatBigGraphics proposed budget increase, the LCPC hazard mitigation plan and a safe walkway through Parker and Stearns.

**3. Treasurer's Report/Review and Approve Bills and Warrants/Budget Status Report/Action Item:** The Trustees signed the warrants as presented.

**4. Interim Village Manager Report**

1. There was a brief discussion about conducting a public hearing for a proposed amendment to the Village of Johnson Municipal Development Plan. The Planning Commission had approved the item on May 17. David Goddette moved, Walter Pomroy 2<sup>nd</sup>, the motion to establish a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on June 27 at the Johnson Municipal Building. Motion carried.
2. Sandy discussed the R.L. Vallee proposal for increased water and sewer allocations for 143 and 163 Lower Main St. The request is for an additional 1,202 gpd in water allocation and 1,091 in sewer allocation. The project also involves new connections. The check for \$3,294 has been received. Walter Pomroy moved the approval of this preliminary reservation of capacity, David Goddette seconded. The motion carried. The Trustees asked Sandy to send a letter of appreciation for the project to Skip Vallee. The Trustees also asked Sandy to send a similar letter to Mike Messier commending him for opening his new computer repair business.
3. Gordy and Sandy reviewed a concept proposed by Susan Alexander, executive director of the solid waste district for a composting facility at the existing transfer station. If the Trustees agree with the concept, Susan will be making a formal proposal regarding this project and "host community" benefits such as free drop off, pick-up of composting and, depending upon chemical analysis the process of our municipal wastewater sludge. The Solid Waste District is planning to submit a grant application due June 17. This item would come back to the Trustees for the June 13 meeting if the project moves forward.
4. David indicated the budget for the logo and graphics was quoted as \$360 and the Trustees authorized \$250 at their last meeting. Walter Pomroy moved, and David Goddette seconded authorizing an increase in expenditures to \$360 for the logo and related graphics. The motion carried.
5. Gordy discussed that LCPC is trying to schedule a meeting with Eric, Gordy, Duncan and Sandy to review the updates to the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

6. Gordy asked Walter to coordinate a meeting with Chan Parker regarding how to work out a marked walkway through his property that would encourage walkers and bicyclists and not impair business operations.
5. ***Executive Session:*** Walter moved to enter executive session for discussion of contract, legal and personnel issues, premature disclosure of which would put the village at a disadvantage, and David Goddette seconded the motion, which passed. The board entered executive session at 6:25. On a motion by Walter Pomroy, second by David Goddette, the board came out of executive session at 7:25.

Walter Pomroy moved and David Goddette seconded a motion to authorize Gordy to send a letter to Eric Osgood, Chair of the Selectboard, responding to and disagreeing with the position taken in his 4/21 letter regarding School St. The motion carried.

David Goddette moved and Walter Pomroy seconded a motion to authorize Sandy to send a letter of hire to Meredith Birkett subject to Sandy completing final reference checks and determining the process to be complete. The motion carried. Gordy and Walter asked Sandy to set up a meeting with the Village Staff for Wednesday at 9 a.m. to announce Meredith's hiring to the staff.

6. ***Adjourn***

**Walter moved to adjourn at 9:08 and the motion was seconded and passed.**

*Minutes submitted by Sanford Miller*