

PRELIMINARY MINUTES

VILLAGE OF LUDLOW, VERMONT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SPECIAL MEETING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2020

5:00 PM

JOIN ZOOM MEETING:

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Rose, Chairman

Bob Brandt

Earl Washburn

STAFF:

Scott Murphy

OTHERS PRESENT:

Eric Alden

Lisha Klaiber

Eric Chattergee – Okemo Valley TV

1. **Call to Order**

- A. David Rose called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., all members present. He said that the Electronic Meeting Guidelines had been discussed at their meeting on April 7, 2020 and will be followed at this meeting.

2. **Consideration of any Changes, Additions or Removals to the Agenda**

- A. Scott Murphy advised that no changes are needed.

3. **Discuss and Possibly Authorize Holding Village Meeting via Australian Ballot with Virtual Informational Meeting if Necessary**

- A. Scott Murphy said that due to COVID, the State, by ACT 162, has authorized the town legislative bodies to allow Australian Ballots for voting at the town level. We will still need to hold the informational meeting virtually. He said that the Village Trustees would need to vote and approve use of the Australian ballot for Village Meeting.
- B. David Rose asked if the Select Board has approved this for Town Meeting.
- C. Scott Murphy said yes.
- D. David Rose said that in light of COVID he thinks this is the best thing to do.
- E. Bob Brandt agreed. He said that he doesn't expect that things will be better by March.
- F. **MOTION by Earl Washburn and seconded by Bob Brandt to hold the Village Meeting vote via Australian ballot. Motion passed unanimously.**
- G. **MOTION by Bob Brandt and seconded by Earl Washburn to hold the Village Meeting on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and to hold a public informational meeting via ZOOM on Monday, March 22, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.**

4. **Adjourn**

- A. David Rose advised that Ludlow has been approved by the state for both the Water and Sewer applications for the High Street Water/Sewer project for a non-repayable grant in the amount of

\$549,470 which would mean that the Village would only have to cover \$440,530 of the \$990,000 project costs if the bond passes.

- B. Scott Murphy said we previously only had priority for the Clean Water side of the project, but were approved for the Clean Water and Drinking Water components
- C. David Rose said that the only hurdle now is the bond vote on January 12, 2021. He noted that the public informational hearing for the bond vote is on January 5, 2021.
- D. Scott Murphy said that will be part of their normally scheduled meeting on January 5, 2021.
- E. **MOTION to adjourn by Bob Brandt and seconded by Earl Washburn to close this meeting. Motion passed unanimously.**
- F. Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisha Klaiber

David Rose, Chairman

Earl Washburn

Bob Brandt