

**VILLAGE OF LUDLOW  
WATER COMMISSION**

**Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, August 2, 2011  
5:00 pm**

**Board Present:**

David Rose, Richard Strong, John Murphy, Sr.

**Staff Present:**

Frank Heald

**Call to Order:**

David Rose called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

**Approve Minutes:**

- a. Motion by John Murphy and seconded by Richard Strong to approve the minutes from July 5, 2011. All in favor and the motion passed.

**Comments from Citizens:**

- a. None present.

**Water/Sewer Project Update:**

- a. Frank Heald said he was happy to report that Al Lewis from the State has approved the Village's request for additional loan forgiveness based on the decrease in water loss they have demonstrated. Frank said this could amount to an additional \$200,000 savings. Frank said while Al Lewis supports our request, it needs to be approved a higher level.
- b. Frank Heald reported that value adjustments are still being made to the system and Mark Youngstrom will be coming back to work on the system.
- c. David Rose asked if the valve problems can be corrected through the adjustments.
- d. Frank Heald said yes. He said the valve designers and installers will work together on the system.
- e. David Rose asked if there would be any cost to us.
- f. Frank Heald said no, they will do this on their own.
- g. Richard Strong asked if this included the altitude valves.
- h. Frank Heald said it is a pressure issue they are working on.
- i. John Murphy asked how much money had been paid out to the contractors and Otter Creek. He said he wanted to be sure the system is performing so there will not be any future issues.
- j. David Rose said Frank Heald is working on it now with the engineers and valve company to make the proper adjustments.
- k. Frank Heald said the project is under budget, but the final figures aren't in yet. He said that once the project tallies are complete the Water Commissioners will need to decide what the water rate increase will be. He said we can begin that process once the figures are final.
- l. Richard Strong asked if the screens in the valves need to be cleaned periodically.
- m. Frank Heald said yes, regular maintenance needs to be performed. He said they experienced a problem with screens that needed to be cleaned earlier.
- n. David Rose said he checked the elevations at both water tanks and they are very close.
- o. David Rose asked if the hydrant testing had taken place and who would do it.
- p. Frank Heald said the hydrant testing and mapping of the system still needs to be done, is not sure who will actually perform the tests.

**Other Business:**

- a. None.

**Set Date for Next Meeting:**

- a. Next meeting has been scheduled on Tuesday, September 6, 2011 at 5:00 pm.

**Adjourn:**

- a. Motion to adjourn by John Murphy and seconded by Richard Strong. All in favor and the motion passed.
- b. Meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Cruickshank  
Recording Secretary

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David Rose, Chairman

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Richard Strong

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John Murphy, Sr.