

NVC Utilities Committee
Trustee Meeting
Community Hall and by Zoom link
Friday, May 12, 2023
1:00 p.m.

Trustees Present: Casey Brown (by Zoom), Jeffrey Wilt, Judy Metcalf (by Zoom),
David Crofoot (by Zoom)

Staff: Chuck Applebee, Bill Paige

NVC Officials: Janae Novotny

Trustees Absent: Brady Brim-Deforest

The May meeting of the NVC Utilities Trustees convened at 1:04. Utilities chair, Jeffrey Wilt called the meeting to order.

Community Member Comments:

Rachel Rosa questioned the Trustees willingness to consider alternative billing protocols for wastewater. Rachel asked when the January 10, 2023 minutes would be posted

Jim Bahoosh had questions on his now expired permit for wastewater hook-up on Oak Street. He questioned if he would have to pay again for a new permit.

Approval of minutes: Judy Metcalf moved (seconded David Crofoot) approval of minutes of April 14, 2023 minutes. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Judy Metcalf moved (seconded David Crofoot) approval of minutes of April 29, 2023 Special Meeting minutes. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Superintendent Report: No exceedances in April.

Chuck is working on a template for a monthly written report. The report Will follow after meeting.

Chuck reported the flow totalizer is no longer working. He has notified Maine DEP. Dirigo estimates a \$2300 cost to install a new totalizer. In addition, the new flow chart meter, back ordered for several months, now has a June expected installation date. The new meter will include both a flow reader and a totalizer. Best practice dictates redundant flow monitor equipment which we will achieve when both the new totalizer and flow reader are installed.

Equipment Replacement: Judy Metcalf moved (seconded David Crofoot) approval of, not to exceed, \$2500 for purchase and installation of a new totalizer. The motion was unanimously adopted.

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Chuck reminded the trustees that the current Dechlorination tablet feeder does not work well. We run risk of high cholerine residual. He is pricing a unit that would fit over the pipe and cover total flow.

Bill Paige reported all water meters he can install have been installed. Approximately 7 meters are waiting for plumber installation. Replacement of 5 curb boxes was required this year (typical number).

Bill also reported that delinquency rates for current billing cycle are higher than normal but are coming down. Shut-off date for nonpayment is May 22.

Financial Update:

There are no financial reports for April 2023.

Other:

The trustees discussed Jim Bahoosh request that fee for a new hook-up permit be waived. The fee is \$500. Trustees had consensus that a renewal fee associated with an expired application fee will not be waived. It is the homeowners responsible to establish a system hook-up within 1 year of receiving the permit. Jeffrey will communicate with Mr. Bahoosh.

The next meeting of the Trustees is **June 9, 2023, 1:00 p.m.**, Community Hall and on-line (<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82961508196?pwd=ekpzTlIzcmI3cnJEZmIHRmlwR3ZSZz09>)

The meeting adjourned at 1:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey Wilt, Chairman