

Ashuelot Pond Dam Village District
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September 9, 2002

Sandra Rourke
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Re: Ashuelot Pond Dam Village District

Via e-mail: brobinson@rev.state.nh.us

Via e-mail: srouke@rev.state.nh.us

VIA FACSIMILE: 603-271-1161

Dear Ms. Robinson and Ms. Rourke:

Ashuelot Pond Dam Village District was formed within the Town of Washington, County of Sullivan, on August 24, 2002, pursuant to RSA 52:1 I. (k) for the impoundment of water. We have previously mailed to you the following documents:

1. The petition of 10 or more legal voters signed pursuant to RSA 52:1 I;
2. The minutes of the August 1, 2002, meeting of the Town of Washington Selectmen wherein the boundaries of the Village District were established (item 6.1);
3. The Warrant for the meeting to consider the Village District conducted by the Selectmen pursuant to RSA 52:2 on August 24th;
4. The Selectmen's Certificate of Posting of the Warrant;
5. The minutes of the August 24th meeting to consider the Village District showing the affirmative vote to establish the district, the election of officers, and the naming of the District; and
6. DRA form MS-31, Village District Officials.

The Village District was formed for and proposes to accept ownership, operation, maintenance and repair of the Ashuelot Pond dam from LAE Association, Inc., a voluntary corporation formed under Chapter 292. LAE Association is no longer able to obtain downstream liability insurance for the dam creating an undue liability for its members, directors, and officers. The Association membership has voted to deed the dam to a Village District. The Village District is eligible for membership in the New Hampshire Municipal Association and can obtain liability insurance through the Property Liability Trust.

The Village District now needs the authorization to accept ownership of the dam and a source of funding in order to obtain downstream liability insurance. LAE Association is prepared to give to the Village District sufficient funds to operate until the Village District is able to obtain revenue through the taxation process. This needs to be conducted as quickly as possible; the Association needs to relieve its members and directors of this uninsured liability, and a fair number of Village District voters, as well as a majority of the Commissioners, winter out-of-state.

Pursuant to my discussions with Sandra, we propose to conduct a Special Meeting pursuant to RSA 52:14 solely for the purpose of setting a date for an annual meeting pursuant to RSA 52:12. We would then immediately warrant and conduct an Annual Meeting for the purposes of electing officers, adopting the provisions of 31:95-b and e, and to accept ownership of the Ashuelot Pond dam and a gift

meetings. kindly review these warrants and advise us if any changes need to be made to accomplish our objectives. The Commissioners will be meeting on September 16th for the purpose of setting meeting dates and signing the Special Meeting warrant, so your prompt consideration of this would be appreciated.

Finally, can a Village District adopt 31:94-a, providing for a July 1 to June 30 fiscal year? The Chapter title includes Village Districts, but the specific RSA wording does not.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lindsay Collins". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line above the first name.

Lindsay Collins, Commissioner
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