

May 10, 2024
APDVD Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Commissioners: Gary Carney, Gary Mahaffey, and Rich Andrusiak

Treasurer: Peggy Carney

Clerk: Alisa Andrusiak

Meeting called to order at 4:32 P.M.

The only person who is currently authorized to sign a check is the Treasurer. A commissioner will also be added to the bank account and authorized to sign checks.

Bob Carter is almost finished with the inundation mapping for the Emergency Action Plan (EAP). Once we receive the EAP from Bob, we will check the EAP and update with the new website address and emails before submitting to Jim Weber at the NH Department of Environmental Services. The EAP notification checklist is now a fillable form and available on the APDVD website.

Breach report and overtopping project design will be done by Eric Teala. There are alternative plans being discussed pending the outcome of the deed research from the lawyer.

Josh has the actuator and is hoping to start the installation next week and wrap it up in 2 weeks. No plans yet for the old gate. Need confirmation that the caution signs are still up.

Warrant Articles

Must be finalized and sent to state by May 17.

Article 1: To vote to elect 1 commissioner for 1 year, 1 commissioner for 2 years, treasurer for 3 years, moderator, clerk & auditor for 1 year.

Article 2: To hear reports of all officers, committees, and agents of the Village District and take any action in relation thereto.

Article 3: Discussion to increase the expense budget.

In the past people were paid:

\$25/hr for gate operation

\$20/hr to attend meetings

Proposal to increase the administrative expenses up to \$10,000.

Legal increase to \$15,000 to cover deed research and satisfying the LOD.

Operation, maintenance, and repair of the dam: \$15,000

Insurance: \$4000

Dam Registration Fees: \$2000

Regional Association Fees: \$1000

Article 4: To see if the village will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to be added to the Ashuelot Pond Capital Reserve Fund, previously established. Final amount approved for the warrant is subject to estimate from Bob C.

Article 5: To see when the District will schedule its 2025 Annual Meeting, or take any action thereto.

Discussion to move the 2026 APDVD meeting to a more convenient day/time to accommodate the new members if redistricting is approved by the voters. We need to confirm with the state that it can be moved.

Article 6: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

The mailing will be sent to registered voters.

New Business/Other Discussion:

New website analytics and statistics show that we had 129 new site visitors in April.

Money from the donation fund will be taken to help pay for the gate. Need to leave enough money to keep the account open. Donations continue to come in.

Joseph Schmidl from NH DES contacted us to speak about the Ashuelot River management instream flow management program. We will invite him to give a presentation at the end of the 2024 APDVD annual meeting.

People have offered to help with grant writing.

Meeting adjourned at 5:43 P.M.