

Village of Manchester
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Monday, June 6, 2022, 4:30 pm
Village of Manchester Offices
45 Union Street

DRAFT MINUTES

In Attendance: President Orland Campbell; Trustees: Brian Maggiotto, Nina Mooney, Bill Mariano; Clerk/Treasurer/Tax Collector Donald Brodie; and, Office Administrator/Assistant Clerk Missy Johnson

Absent: Trustee Jim Lewis

Public: Keld Alstrup, Anthony MacLaurin, Tajlie Levis/Wilburton, Kimberly Weiss-Lewit, Carmine Cole and Brian Keefe/Hildene, Larry Ross, Jim Woodard

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President Campbell brought the meeting to order at 4:34 pm.

Trustee Mariano moved to approve the minutes from Budget Meetings I-IV and the minutes from the May 2, 2022 Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees. Trustee Mooney seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

President Campbell mentioned that the Draft Noise Ordinance was not ready for further review. He asked if anyone had any questions or comments and there were none.

The board quickly discussed the Hildene Annual Special Events Permit and its request to have a noise waiver for the summer and fall of 2022. It was agreed to that Hildene is allowed to work with its existing contracts and hold events until 1130 pm for this summer and fall of 2022. Events in 2023 will mostly be postponed due to construction of Lincoln Hall and then in 2024 all events will be held in accordance with Village of Manchester ordinances and regulations.

The board then reviewed the Special Events Permit for Amy's Airstream/WEQX live broadcast. The board agreed that the permit could be approved on the condition that that WEQX provide the Village with a Certificate of Insurance showing the required coverage with the Village of Manchester named as additional insured.

An itinerate vendor permit was approved at the Orvis parking area for the summer and fall of 2022. A sandwich board sign was approved for placement next to the booth area designated by Orvis but not on Route 7A.

The American Museum of Fly Fishing event was approved by the BOT with the condition that any vendors participating receive their own event permits. Proof of insurance may be waived for these vendors if Orvis chooses to indemnify them.

The stone walls on River Road were discussed and it was mentioned that repair work for part of the wall immediately adjacent to the River Road was part of the pending 2022-23 Village of Manchester budget. It was mentioned that this part of the wall was (important) to the safety of the road and was in need of immediate repair. Mr. Ross spoke about the rock wall, its history and importance to the Village of Manchester. He presented a packet of information including photographs of the wall, art work and newspaper clippings (on file.) Discussion continued to the ownership of the walls. Another land records search was promised. Should it be determined that the ownership of the walls lies with the Village of

Manchester, it was proposed that the cost and options for payment to fully restore the walls would be looked into with a regular maintenance schedule anticipated. It was determined that a photo of the stone walls would grace the cover of this year's Annual Report.

President Campbell informed those present that he had spoken with officials at the Town of Manchester regarding a change in the formula used to calculate the Town of Manchester's cash allotment to the Village for highway and sidewalk work. He mentioned that the change had not be formalized with the town and that he hoped to have more to report at the next meeting of the BOT.

The photographs presented to the board for the cover the Annual Report were reviewed. As the board previously agreed to use a photo of the River Road rock wall, the presented photos were filed for possible future use.

Trustee Maggiotto moved to approve the Articles for consideration by the Village of Manchester voters at the 2022/23 Annual Meeting. Trustee Mariano seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

There was no report for Roads and Trees as Mr. Lewis was out of town. The zoning administrative officer's report was sent to the trustees by email.

In other business, Ms. Weiss-Lewit spoke again about the hazard of walking and riding bikes on Ways Lane due to the excessive speed of cars and trucks. It was reiterated by BOT members that walking or biking on this road due to the lack of shoulders and sidewalks was dangerous and should be avoided. Various solutions were again posed. Some solutions were deemed inappropriate due to the use/class of the road and its location. It was determined that appropriate traffic signs might be purchased for the road that may help alleviate speeding vehicles.

At 6:16 pm, the trustees went into executive session to discuss a potential legal matter and personnel matters.

The trustees exited executive session at 7:03 pm. No vote was taken.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Missy Johnson, Office Administrator