

**MOUNTAIN LAKES DISTRICT
COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING / WORK SESSION
At the District Lodge with Zoom Access July 29, 2021
*UNAPPROVED***

Call to Order: Bob Long called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call:

MLD Board Members: Commissioners Bob Long, Mike Roberts and Mark Johanson

Guests Present: Doug Dutile (Haverhill Corner Commissioner), Rich Clifford (North Haverhill Commissioner), Paul Kidder (Woodsville Commissioner) and Tom Mayo (Woodsville Commissioner)

Public Present In-Person: Kevin Shelton (Woodsville District Administrator) and Robert Roudebush

Public Present via Zoom: Patricia Brady and Fred Garofalo

American Rescue Plan Act:

The group previously agreed to ask the select board to reconsider their ARPA funding allocations to include funding for village districts. The group reviewed a draft letter and master project list put together by Bob Long to be sent to the Haverhill select board with that request. In discussion, it was noted a change was needed to the first bullet point in the letter and "Woodsville Water Treatment Plant" should be "Woodsville Wastewater Treatment Plant." The group unanimously agreed to approve the letter with the change.

The group discussed the allocation calculation proposed by Bob Long and all agreed it was a good formula to recommend to the select board. Bob Long said he has initiated contact with Grafton County to explore possible funding options with them as well. The group noted a project list was not received from the North Haverhill precinct and agreed it would be okay if they submitted their list in a week or so.

The group agreed Bob Long would be the main presenter at the Aug. 2 select board meeting and each precinct would answer relevant questions as needed. It was suggested that Bob Long have an opening statement and recognize all the people involved in the request to the select board. Bob Long said they were already on the select board agenda for Monday, August 2 at 6:00pm and the commissioners present agreed they would all attend and encourage all other precinct commissioners to attend as well.

The majority of the precinct commissioners left the meeting.

Online Meetings Equipment Project: The MLD commissioners briefly discussed the current setup for online access to meetings and agreed the quality was in need of improvement. They also agreed the District had a definite need for online access equipment and the ad hoc committee was created at their July 10 meeting to explore and purchase online meeting related equipment. The committee already met with two vendors and would be considering recommendations for setting up a good system.

After discussion, Bob Long made a motion to authorize the committee to spend up to \$6,000 for online meeting access equipment (laptop computer, big screen monitor, microphone/speaker setup, etc.). Mark Johanson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 6:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,
Kristi Garofalo