

**Village of Woodstock  
Special Board of Trustees  
Meeting May 5th, 2025  
3:30 PM  
Town Hall & Zoom  
Minutes**

**Draft minutes are subject to approval.**

**Present:** Chair Seton McIlroy, Jeffrey Kahn, Lisa Lawlor, Frank Horneck

**Staff:** Eric Duffy

**Public:** Nicholas Selden, Mike Donahue

**Call to order**

1. Chair Seton McIlroy called the May 5th 2025 Special Village Trustees meeting to order at 3:30PM.

**B. Additions and Deletions –None**

**C. Citizens' Comment**

Nicholas Selden commented on the litigation involving Joe Swanson and Mr. Duffy.

Mike Donahue from the Vermont Standard suggested that the agenda be corrected to comply with the law.

**E . Executive Session 1 V.S.A 313**

Motion: Chair Seton McIlroy makes a motion to enter Executive Session 1 V.S.A 313 to find that premature general public knowledge regarding Town counsel's legal analysis related to a records request would clearly place the Village at a substantial disadvantage because the discussion will include confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the Village.(3:32PM)

Seconded: Jeffrey Kahn

Vote: 4-0-0 passed

Motion: Chair Seton McIlroy make a motion to enter into enter Executive Session 1 V.S.A 313 with the inclusion of the Municipal Manager, Attorney Klesch and Attorney Bloomer, to discuss Town Council legal analysis related to a records request as allowed under Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(F). (3:33PM)

Seconded: Jeffrey Kahn

Vote: 4-0-0 passed (Returned 4:46PM)

**No decisions were made.**

Motion: By Chair Seton McIlroy to table agenda item number 5 until agenda item number 6 is completed (4:46 PM)

Seconded: Jeffrey Kahn

Vote: 4-0-0 passed

Motion: Chair Seton McIlroy Motion to find that premature general public knowledge regarding pending litigation, to which the Village is a party, would clearly place the Village at a substantial disadvantage because the discussion will divulge the Village's strategy in such pending litigation and will include confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the Village.(4:47PM)

Seconded: Jeffrey Kahn

Vote: 4-0-0 passed

Motion: Chair Seton McIlroy makes a motion to enter into Executive Session 1 V.S.A 313 with the inclusion of Municipal Manager, Selectboard Chair Ray Bourgeois, Selectboard Vice Chair Susan Ford, Attorney Klesch and Attorney Bloomer, to discuss pending litigation, as allowed under Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(E) and Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(F). (4:48PM)

Seconded: Jeffrey Kahn

Vote: 4-0-0 passed (Return 5:40PM)

Motion: Chair Seton McIlroy makes a motion to direct the Municipal Manager provide the Trustees decision in the Joseph Swanson matter to those requesters having made requests to any village official or employee for such record on behalf of such employee, of such official or employee. (5:40PM)

Seconded: Jeffrey Kahn

Vote: 4-0-0 passed

### J. Adjournment

Motion: by Seton McIlroy to adjourn the meeting at (5:40PM)

Seconded: Jeffrey Kahn

Chair Seton McIlroy made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Vice Chair Jeffrey Kahn seconded it, then Mike Donahue interrupted the board and a vote to adjourn the meeting did not happen.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Kitty Mears Koar*

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J Kahn

Brenda Blakeman

Lisa lawlor

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