



Town of Orange
Grant Committee Meeting
March 7 2025, 4:30 pm
Orange Town Complex

1. Call to Order
2. Agenda Revisions
3. Approve Minutes
4. Review Current Grants in Progress
 - a. MPG / MERP / Town Complex
5. Review Completed Grant Reimbursement Submissions
6. Discuss Potential Grants and Application Submissions
 - a. MPG due 3/31
 - b. EPA Wastewater Grant
 - c. VLCT Grants
 - d. EAB Grant
7. Other Business
 - a. UST Update
8. Adjourn

If the tanks you are looking to remove are buried (not in a basement those are ASTs) our section does have a 0% interest loan program to remove buried oil tanks (several towns in VT have utilized the loan program). Attached is an informational sheet on Loans. The contact listed on the sheet is leaving so you can contact Anna Bourakovsky anna.bourakovsky@vermont.gov or call 802-477-2981 her direct line for further information on loans.

If these tanks are USTs and are located at public buildings the tanks should have been registered with us (then also on the land record) but since you plan on removing them lets not make more work by registering them then turning around to unregister them. With removal of a UST at a public building there must be a environmental release assessment done at time of removal. Gillispie doesn't do that type of work. Hopefully the quote includes a release assessment (formerly known as a site assessment). If the quote doesn't include an assessment for contamination, I have attached a list of consultants for you to review and contact someone to do that part of the job (Wheeler Environmental is in Orange, so they are the closest, but you should contact several for quotes)

Should contamination be discovered in the soil or on groundwater the state of Vermont has a Petroleum Cleanup Fund (PCF) to pay for the cleanup. Tank size and use of the fuel oil determines the deductible that gets paid before the PCF kicks in (PCF covers uninsured costs of cleanup). PCF may not been needed and you won't know that until the tanks are removed.