

**TOWN OF GROTON
SELECT BOARD MEETING
June 17, 2014**

In Attendance: Christina Goodwin, Miles Sinclair, Robert Ferriere, Pamela Hamel (Administrative Assistant)

Audience Members Present

Christina called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

MINUTE APPROVAL

Christina motioned to approve the minutes of June 10 as written, Bob 2nd, so voted.

UPDATES

RSA 195 Committee

Christina reported that the RSA 195 Committee met last night. She will be participating in the Finance Committee going forward as Groton does not have representation on any sub-committee at this time. In addition, she will also try to attend the Educational Committee meetings. This Committee must develop an educational model. The Finance Committee will then develop a financial model based upon that model. If the final outcome is that the Bridgewater/Hebron Village School withdraws from the Newfound Area School District, it is the School Board and RSA 195 Committee that would determine where Groton children will attend school. Christina feels that the Groton Board should be involved in that decision. The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for July 15.

OLD BUSINESS

A Manual on Municipal Boundaries

The Board agreed that the funds to purchase the manual should come from the Perambulation Non Capital Reserve Fund.

Junkyard Letters

Miles motioned to sign the junkyard letters, Bob 2nd, so voted. These letters are informing property owners that a second inspection is scheduled for Tuesday, July 15.

Scrap Metal

The Board discussed the expense that has been incurred in the process of getting rid of the scrap metal. It is costing more to dispose of the items that the Town is receiving in revenue. The Board does not feel that the Departments (Highway and Transfer Station) are being prudent in their manner of disposal. Sufficient materials (several tons) can be loaded on the 6-wheeler and one trip made instead of several trips in the one-ton. Also, the way Gilpatric's is set up, the 6-wheeler can be dumped which eliminates handling the scrap a second time. A memo will be drafted to the Department Heads.

NEW BUSINESS

Bids for Emergency Second Floor Means of Egress

The Board received 2 bids for the Emergency Second Floor Means of Egress project:

- REB Construction: \$29,650
- MHF Building and Remodeling: \$20,410. Matt Fysh of MHF Building and Remodeling has done prior work for the Town, and the Board was happy with his work. **Christina motioned to award the bid for the Emergency Second Floor Means of Egress to MHF Building and Remodeling, Miles 2nd, so voted.**

Deed for Map 10 Lot 22

The Town attorney drew up a Quitclaim deed for the 50 acre lot that the Town is deeding to Green Acre Woodlands in exchange for the newly formed 6 acre lot across from the Transfer Station. Once the two deeds are drawn up and ready for signature, the Attorney will complete the Department of Revenue forms PA-34 (Inventory of Property Transfer) and CD 57 (transfer tax).

Letter of Compliment for Glen Hansen

Christina read a letter from a motorist who was assisted by the Road Agent (on his personal time). The motorist was very appreciative of Glen putting his own plans on hold to assist them.

New Hampshire Wood Energy Council

The NH Wood Energy Council is offering to provide an analysis of the Town buildings to see if it makes sense for the Town to switch from fossil fuel heating systems to modern, fully automated wood fueled systems. The initial analysis is at no charge.

There is also a company that will do an analysis and provide options for the repair/replacement of the Atwell/Orange Brook Bridge. The Board will pursue both of these opportunities.

Building Permit for Rick Belanger

Christina motioned to approve the building permit for Rick Belanger, Bob 2nd, so voted. The permit is for the construction of a structure that includes a house, garage and workshop on Bailey Hill Road.

Class VI Roads

The Board approved the Class VI road maintenance proposals submitted by 2 Old Rumney Road property owners. **Miles motioned to sign the Class VI road maintenance letters, Bob 2nd, so voted.**

Rego Junkyard License Renewal

Bob motioned to sign the letter to Mr. Rego extending his current license until after the Junkyard inspections are conducted and the reports filed, Miles 2nd, so voted.

Legal Files

The Town has received the legal files for the years 1999 to 2007 from Mitchell Municipal. The Retention Committee is in the process developing a Documents Retention Policy based upon statutory requirements. In the ensuing time, the Board will review the contents of the files in question.

Primex Builder's Risk Questionnaire

Primex stated that the Emergency Egress project did not have to be included in the Builder's Risk Questionnaire, but the Board is still required to fill out the form with N/A written across it, sign and return it to Primex. **Christina motioned to sign the Primex Builder's Risk Questionnaire, Bob 2nd so voted.**

Disposal Agreement for Robert Ferriere

Christina motioned to sign the disposal agreement for Robert Ferriere, Miles 2nd, so voted, Bob recusing himself.

North Groton Road

Miles stated that the recently repaired erosion to the banking close to the culvert near Old Fields Road is eroding again. Pam will contact the State.

Miles stated that he thinks the ditching that the Road Agent did at the corner of Nedeau Lane needs to be extended and made deeper. There are also some areas further up that need to be addressed (stabilize the ditch bank) and more rip rap needs to be placed in some areas. This was on a list of prioritized projects that the Board gave to the Road Agent. They would like it to be mentioned to him again.

Playground Sand

Miles reported on the current cost for sand for the playground:

- Central NH Aggregates: \$217 for 14 yards before the municipal discount
- Warren Sand and Gravel: \$213 for 14 yards

The Board will wait until closer to July for a delivery as they want to make sure the ground is very dry and solid.

Old Home Day

Christina reported that the Band needs to know the make and model of the generator that will be available for them to make sure there is sufficient power. She will get this information from the Road Agent as well as the amount of amps.

OTHER BUSINESS

Christina motioned to go into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (d) at 8:13 pm, Miles 2nd, so voted.

Miles motioned to return to public session at 8:55 pm, Bob 2nd, so voted.

Bob motioned to adjourn at 8:55 pm, Miles 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Hamel
Administrative Assistant