

**TOWN OF GROTON  
SELECT BOARD MEETING  
June 24, 2014**

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

**Audience Members Present**

Christina called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

**Christina motioned to approve the minutes of June 17 as written, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Miles stated that he would be unable to attend the North Groton Road Reconstruction site visit on Thursday due to a personal commitment.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Memo to Trustees re: Payment for “A Manual on Municipal Boundaries”

**Miles motioned to sign the memo to the Trustees regarding payment for the book, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Memo to Highway and Transfer Station Department Heads re: Scrap Metal

**Christina motioned to sign the memo to Highway and Transfer Station Department Heads, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA) Letter of Support

The Board reviewed a proposed letter of support for the NLRA supplied by association Executive Director Boyd Smith. The Board supports the organization but prefers to write a letter that incorporates some of the ideas expressed in Mr. Smith’s template as well as needs specific to Groton.

Letter to Holly Marston re Involuntary Lot Merger

The Board reviewed and amended a letter to Holly Marston, Trustee of the Tolman Revocable Trust regarding Mr. Tolman’s request to withdraw a request to unmerge his lots. **Miles motioned to sign the letter once the amended language is inserted to the Board’s satisfaction, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

All-Hazard Mitigation Grant Extension

**Miles motioned to sign the grant extension request, Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

OHD Parade Participation Invitation

**Bob motioned to sign the letters of invitation to the Rumney & Hebron Select Boards asking their Fire/EMS Departments to participate in Groton’s Old Home Day parade, Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Septic Design for Cady, Map 1 Lot 79-1, Mountains West Lane

**Miles motioned to sign the septic designs for Cady, Map 1 Lot 79-1, Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Transfer Station Truck Bed Size

Due to a misunderstanding regarding the truck bed sizes printed in the Construction Debris Fee Schedule, the Transfer Station attendants have asked for some specific clarification (actual footage size of truck beds). Miles stated that bed sizes have changed. He asked for the opportunity to look at some beds and take measurements before the Board fixes a cut off size number. The Board agreed to table this until measurements have been taken.

Town Office Sign

The new granite Town Office sign is ready but the Hobart Park sign is not. The Board will wait until both signs are ready to arrange pouring the footings. Pam will contact Laconia monument to find out how long before the park sign is ready.

Additional Bunting

The Board will order another flag bunting for the windows near the entrance and look to return one that was purchased last year that is defective.

Intent to Cut for Dicecca, Map 5 Lot 158, Hardy Country Road

**Christina motioned to sign the Intent to Cut for Dicecca, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

All-Ways Accessible Maintenance Contract

**Bob motioned to sign the All-Ways Accessible Maintenance Contract with the modification, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.** This is a 2 year maintenance contract that includes the required annual inspections (for 2015 & 2016) as well as maintenance checks.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Administrative Assistant

Christina announced that the Administrative Assistant will be leaving as of July 15. Pam has agreed to help out until someone is hired to replace her.

GHS Program

Christina announced that GHS is sponsoring a Civil War program, "The Battle of Gettysburg through the Eyes of the Soldiers, their Families and Civilian Witnesses" on Thursday, July 3 at 7:00 pm at the Town House. The program is presented by Historical Researcher Mike McKinley. Refreshments will be served.

Town House

Christina stated that while the Cemetery Trustees were inspecting Rolfe Hill Cemetery they noticed that some of the heat tape on the Town House was coming down. Miles will take a look at it.

Christina noted that last year Bruce Barnard had suggested that the Town do some maintenance on the

septic leach field. Miles stated that he would like to look at the tank repairs first. Christina also stated that the dirt around the pipe that extends from the building has eroded more. She believes the pipe should be covered.

Also noted during the Trustees meeting was the condition of the parking area and driveway access. The Board agreed to have the Road Agent grade the parking area, specifically the driveway entry and the area near the mailbox. This is not a priority as they want him to complete some other tasks first.

#### Fire Training Exercise

Christina reported that Roger Thompson received a call from someone at the Wind Farm stating that the Rumney Fire Chief has scheduled a training there for this weekend. The Hebron and Groton Fire chiefs are not aware of any training. Roger is concerned about it being scheduled without his knowledge, circumventing his authority as Groton's Fire Chief. He will be calling the Rumney Fire Chief to discuss or cancel this training. The Board will review the Rumney Fire Contract and the agreements with Groton Wind regarding notification.

#### Groton Police Department

Christina thanked the Chief of Police for responding to her home when she had a concern. She stated that it is comforting to know that Groton has a Police Department that is there when residents are in need.

#### Electronics Disposal Day

Bob reported that four (4) large containers of electronics were collected on electronics collection day. The Company is able to take in much more than that, and in order to make it more productive for them, he suggested that next year they invite surrounding communities. The Company can also take refrigerators, stoves, etc., however he does not know what the costs would be.

**Christina motioned to go into nonpublic session at 8:02 pm pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a, d), Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**Christina motioned to return to public session at 8:56 pm, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

#### North Groton Road Project

The Board discussed the preparations for the North Groton Road Project site meeting. A sign in sheet and copies of the bid specifications will be available.

**Christina motioned to adjourn at 9:11 pm, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pamela Hamel  
Administrative Assistant