

**Town of Groton
Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2009
7:00pm**

In Attendance: Michael Brogna, Miles Sinclair, Kyle Andrews, Pamela Hamel (AA)

Audience Members Present

Mike called the meeting to order at 7:10pm and read the appointments, announcements and minutes of the August 4 Selectmen's meeting. Mike noted that the adjournment time was incorrect and Miles noted that he did not think the initials FCC in paragraph one, page one were correct. He believes they should be SEC. Pam was unsure about either of these. No motions were made on these 2 items. Mike asked to amend page one, paragraph 5 to read **Mike mentioned that the previous evening there was a public hearing for a special exception for a boat storage area for Frederick Sewall and Miles Friend.**

Mike made a motion to sign the minutes as amended, Miles 2nd, so voted, Kyle abstaining as he was not present at the August 4 meeting.

Mike made a motion to sign the July 28 Selectmen's meeting minutes as written, Kyle 2nd, so voted, Miles abstaining as he was not present at that meeting.

Miles made a motion to sign the cover letter that will accompany the Road Agent's reply to the Leone's questions about culvert replacement, Mike 2nd, all in favor, so voted.

Mike reported that the August 15 BYOB dance will be for anyone 21 and older.

Mike made a motion to sign the alcohol permit for the GRC's BYOB dance, Miles 2nd with the understanding it is for 21 and older, all in favor, so voted.

Miles made a motion to sign the letter to Ernie Blood, Kyle 2nd, all in favor, so voted.

Mike Ethier presented the Board with his deed and subdivision plans showing Province Road as the name of his access road. Even though the road name has been changed to Sculptured Rocks Road the Board is fine with him keeping it listed as Province Road on his Intent to Excavate. He also showed the Board his Site Stabilization Conceptual Plan which he believes satisfies RSA 485-A:17. He said he has a permit from Gove Environmental Services. Concerning RSA 155, he said that since there was no Planning Board in 1984, he did not need to receive a permit from the town as the state was in control. He says he is grandfathered. Mike B. would like to do a little more research on this to insure that all things are in order. Mr. Ethier also said if the Board did not sign his Intent they would be hearing from his attorney as this has all been done through the AG's office. Miles asked Mr. Ethier if he would make these documents available to the Board so they can make copies and have the opportunity to review them. He agreed. **Miles made a motion to table this until next week, asked Mr. Ethier if he would make the documents available for Pam to make copies, and asked Pam to contact the necessary agencies to**

verify whether Mr. Ethier has what is needed in order for them to sign the Intent or, if lacking, let them know what is still needed, Mike 2nd, all in favor, so voted.

Mike made a motion to table the Junkyard Dog's results to his investigation into possible junkyard regulation violations on Map 5 Lot 46 until they receive his formal report, Kyle 2nd, all in favor, so voted.

The Board reviewed the response from Marie Ross concerning the school list discrepancies. For tax year 2009, the DRA uses the enrollment list for the 2007/2008 school year. That is the list that was recently supplied to the Selectmen. The 2008/2009 list is not yet available. Chuck Stata feels the Town should have access to the daily attendance records in order to verify enrollment. Mike explained that these lists are not public. Miles believes the system should be more up to date and **made a motion to table this until the Board has time to reflect and determine what action is necessary, Mike 2nd, all in favor, so voted.** Ms. Ross has not yet gotten back to the Board about reimbursement when errors are found. Mike would like a copy of the 2008/2009 list ASAP. This will enable the Board to verify it before waiting 2 years.

Miles made a motion to provide a copy of the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) manual to the Police and Fire Chiefs for their review and their comment over any concerns they might have, Kyle 2nd, all in favor, so voted.

Miles made a motion to reschedule the work session with the Fire Chief to address outstanding issues, Kyle 2nd, all in favor, so voted.

Mike Brogna and Mike Lemieux will be attending the training session on Benefit Cost Analysis scheduled for September 16 & 17 in Concord. Attendance is required for anyone seeking a Hazard Mitigation Grant. The Town is in the preliminary stages of applying for a grant to move the library building and replace the Town Garage with a new one that is not in the flood way. Miles will be an alternate if Mike B. cannot get the time off from work to attend.

Groton Wind LLC is looking for a location and time to have an open house. The Board chose October 7 at the Town House. Groton Wind will take care of the refreshments and advertising. The Board agreed to post something at the Transfer Station, Town House and web site, and make the information available to Jo O'Connor for her column in the Record Enterprise.

Miles made a motion to sign the building permit for Smith, Map 5 Lot 114, Kyle 2nd, all in favor, so voted.

Miles made a motion to sign the contract with Municipal Resources for junkyard compliance services, Kyle 2nd, all in favor, so voted.

On behalf of the GRC and the Groton Old Home Day Committee, Pam Yinger reminded the audience of the upcoming Old Home Day events.

Chuck Stata reported that the June 2006 selectmen's meeting minutes verify that Mr. Robertie had applied for a building permit which was denied and forwarded to the Zoning Board as a special exception was needed. A case was never filed.

Mike acknowledged that the Board had received a letter from James A. Sutton and Pamela K. Yinger that pertains to the case the ZBA is reviewing for a boat storage facility on North Groton Road. Marina Chase wanted to know when the Board had become aware that there were boats being stored on that property.

Mike: He did not know until Pam Yinger brought this fact to light a few weeks ago during a selectmen's meeting.

Miles: He found out the previous week when he had a discussion with Pam Yinger after she had left a message for him at his home. After the public hearing he discovered that Kyle had seen boats when he had visited the property.

Kyle: He saw boats there when he visited the property before Mr. Robertie had applied for a second building permit this past June.

Kyle wanted to know if there was anything the Board could do as Mr. Robertie is continuing to move boats in and out although he has not yet obtained a permit. Miles replied that they should have a work session in the near future to discuss this.

Mrs. Catanzaro expressed concern over the health issues posed by the standing water that is in some of the boats. Mike asked that she write a letter to the health officer for his investigation.

Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50pm, Miles 2nd, all in favor, so voted.

Respectfully submitted,
Pamela Hamel
Administrative Assistant