

**TOWN OF GROTON  
SELECT BOARD MEETING  
April 24, 2012**

**In Attendance: Kyle Andrews, Christina Goodwin, Miles Sinclair, Pamela Hamel (Administrative Assistant)**

**Audience Members Present**

Kyle called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

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

**UPDATES**

Site Visit to Wind Farm

The Board visited the Groton Wind Farm project site on Thursday, April 19, and was impressed with the work that has been accomplished. Currently there are about 200 people on site daily as well as a small night crew working on some culvert crossings on the main road. The Company has implemented extensive mitigation measures in order to minimize erosion. The Department of Environmental Services visits the site on a regular basis. Although they are about 2½ weeks behind schedule, the Company is looking to begin bringing in turbines in late June or early July. The Board also noted that a lot of work has been done to Groton Hollow Road in Rumney. Christina took a number of photos. The Board agreed to get permission from the Company before posting them on the Town's website.

Radio/Repeater Survey

The Board met with Mike Lemieux, Roger Thompson, Glen Hansen and Joe Pivrotto to discuss Gary Easson's (Mr. Easson was unable to attend the meeting) proposal to conduct a site survey to determine whether or not there is a need for an additional radio repeater. All agreed that doing a survey now would be premature. They would like to get the radios first and then consider the need for a survey.

Hazard Mitigation Grant: Town Garage/Kenney Property

The Board announced that the Kenney property across the road is already under agreement. The listing agent said he will contact the Town should the current agreement not go through.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Letter to William Jolly re: Garbage Pickup

Pam reported that Mr. Jolly said he would sign something stating that he understands he can only bring in waste generated in Groton, but he would not sign something regarding liability for hazardous waste.

**Kyle motioned to mail the letter to Mr. Jolly, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

### Hazardous Tree Removal

Miles contacted John Faucher about a month ago regarding hazardous tree removal. Mr. Faucher agreed to assist him with this work again this year. Kyle and Christina are fine with them starting up the project again.

### Sculptured Rocks Road Closing

Glen Hansen wants to replace the culvert on Sculptured Rocks Road on Thursday, April 26 beginning at 8:00pm. The Road Agent was concerned about the weather which is why he did not finalize the date until today. He will try to have at least ½ of the roadway open as soon as possible. The Board would have preferred to have at least 3 days notification. However, the Department of Environmental Services emergency authorization permit expires on May 1 thus limiting the time frame to complete this project. The Board also feels that the 8 o'clock start time is too early. They would like to have at least one lane open until 10:00pm. Chief Pivrotto will notify dispatch and the State Police about the road closing. Pam will call Hebron Fire and Police to let them know.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Lou Lieto

Lou Lieto read his letter of resignation from the Newfound Area School Board effective immediately. The School Board, in his opinion, is moving toward actions, at the encouragement of the electorate, which may do harm, and he feels his presence on the Board may in fact do harm to the Board's execution of its roll. He thinks this is the best decision for the Board and for himself. He thanked the Town for their strong show of support at the last election. He went on to say that there is some support for a Bridgewater/Hebron school district with a K-8 elementary school. If this is something that goes forth then Groton must think about evaluating their options for our students, particularly for middle/high school. If the need arises, he is willing to pursue this on behalf of the Town if they so choose.

Anyone interested in filling the School Board vacancy may contact the School District Office at 744-5555.

#### Intent to Excavate for Yankee Forest , Map 9 Lot 1, Groton Hollow Road

**Kyle motioned to sign the Intent to Excavate for Yankee Forest, Map 9 Lot 1, Groton Hollow Road, Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

#### Request for Quotes for New Doors for the Police Department

The Board reviewed the request for quotes for new doors for the Police Department and the removal of the teller window. Some clarifying language was added to the request. Deadline to submit a quote is May 25.

#### Request for Quotes for River Road Cemetery Expansion Survey Work

The Board reviewed the request for quotes for the River Road Cemetery expansion survey work. Deadline to submit a quote is May 25.

#### Groton North Country Council (NCC) Representatives

The Board asked Pam to verify with NCC whether or not the absence of Groton Representatives affects any grant opportunities. The Planning Board is responsible to submit appointment recommendations for the Select Board's approval.

Mooseman Triathlon

**Kyle motioned to allow the Mooseman Triathlon to use the parking area, Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Corrective Deeds/Acknowledgements for Map 5 Lot 105-1&2

**Miles motioned to sign the corrective deeds/acknowledgements for Map 5 Lot 150-1&2, Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Radio Quotes

The Board reviewed the two quotes for new mobile radios for the Fire Chief and the Highway Department. The two bids are not apples to apples. One is for all P25 compliant radios, the other is for some P25 compliant and some analog radios. They would also like to know if the Fire Chief needs the 110 watt radio. The others are all 50watt. Pam will contact Roger Thompson.

Town House Septic Maintenance

Pam will call a couple of services for pricing and use the cheapest service.

**Kyle motioned to go into non public session pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3 II (b,c), Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**Kyle motioned to return to public session at 9:25pm, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**Miles motioned to adjourn at 9:26pm, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Respectfully Submitted  
Pamela Hamel  
Administrative Assistant