

**TOWN OF GROTON
SELECT BOARD MEETING
December 11, 2012**

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

Audience Members Present

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

Christina motioned to approve the minutes of December 4 as written, Kyle 2nd, so voted.

UPDATES

Roof Repairs

Kyle and Miles repaired the roof of the brown building at the Transfer Station and the salt shed roof. Both should be fine for the winter however at some point in the near future the roof over the brown building will need to be replaced.

Fleming Property (Now owned by Pilcher)

Christina reported that the old trailer (one that was falling in) and the camper are both gone. The one remaining trailer is being demolished.

OLD BUSINESS

Cemetery Annex

The Board reviewed the warranty deed for the new cemetery annex. There is one issue with the metes and bounds as listed on the survey plan and in the deed. It has to do with a bearing of one small section. Miles spoke briefly with Alan Barnard who was not able to look at the plan and comment at that time.

The Board will contact him again to get clarification. **Miles motioned to table this until they can get this resolved, Christina 2nd, so voted.** The Board decided that the attorney did not need to be present for the closing. Patti Bailey will come in to sign the paperwork and pick up her payment.

911 Numbering for Wind Farm Project

The East Access Road will be called Tenney Ridge Road. The Board presented four options for the Fletcher ridge access road to the audience for their comment/vote (Fletcher Ridge cannot be used as the Town already has a Fletcher Road). Two choices represented historical names for the Fletcher area and two were project related. Choices were Morrill Ridge Road (taken from Merrill Hollow), Spaulding Way (taken from the Spaulding family who owned land in that area), Wind Energy Way and Iberdrola Road. Wind Energy Way won the most votes.

Transfer Station

Miles reported that he went to the Transfer Station last Wednesday to check on any possible lighting issues in the recycling area. He stated that with the current lighting you can clearly see the back end of the containers but the ends near the blocks are not illuminated as well as the blocks cast a shadow. This is not

an issue for him but he suggested that the other board members check it out before making a decision. He also pulled into the recycling area to utilize his head lights for lighting and found that this helped as well. Kyle and Christina will take a look at the area this week. **Miles motioned to table this until next week, Christina 2nd, so voted.**

Dorchester Road Agreement

The Town of Dorchester would like to keep the same agreement as last year in place; they will plow Groton's portion of River Road and Groton will maintain Dorchester's portion of Province Road from the town line to the river.

NEW BUSINESS

Eastern Analytical 2013 Transfer Station Gas/Water Monitoring Quote

Christina motioned to sign the Eastern Analytical quote for the 2013 Landfill testing, Miles 2nd, so voted. Suzanne Wall from Andover Geologic has submitted a tentative quote for 2013 Landfill reporting. This year the Town must renew the Landfill Permit and Ms. Wall needs additional time to figure those costs in as well as review some Department of Environmental Services regulation changes and their effect on Groton.

OTHER BUSINESS

January 11 is the warrant article due date for Department and Committee Heads. Petitioned articles are due by February 5 by Statute.

The PILOT language says that the partial payment begins when the Company reaches Commercial Operation. This payment will be prorated. The Company is proposing that the Town invoice them for the partial payment and the first quarter of the 2013 tax year at the same time and take payment next June. Instead, the Board will invoice for the partial payment by March 1 with payment by April 1. In addition, they were led to believe that the Town would receive some kind of payment for the electricity currently being produced during this 'testing' time (which the Company is being paid for). They will contact Ed Cherian about this.

Kyle motioned to adjourn at 7:40pm Miles 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Hamel