

TOWN OF GROTON
SELECT BOARD MEETING
February 3, 2015

**In Attendance: Kyle Andrews, Robert Ferriere, Christina Goodwin and Sara Smith
(Administrative Assistant)**

Audience Members Present

Christina called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

MINUTE APPROVAL:

Bob motioned to approve the minutes of January 20, 2015 as written, Christina 2nd, so voted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Building Permit for Map 1 Lot 48-2

Peter Smith submitted a building permit for a one floor loft to be built on existing foundation. He has already received the PUC and septic approval.

Kyle motioned to sign building permit for Map 1 Lot 48-2, Bob 2nd, so voted.

Intent to Cut for Map 1 Lots 59&60

Logger Daniel Duclos submitted an intent to cut for Andrew Carroll, Map 1 Lots 59 and 60 on King Lane. The resident owes taxes so the logger paid the bond of \$829.50 which was based on the estimated cut.

Bob motioned to sign the intent to cut for Map 1 lots 59 & 60, Kyle 2nd, so voted.

Contracts from Rumney

The Town of Rumney submitted contracts for both EMS and Fire Coverage for 2015-2016. The EMS contract is for \$1,296.00 which went up a minor amount from last year.

Christina motioned to sign the 2015 EMS contract with Rumney, Bob 2nd, so voted.

The Fire contract is for \$6,857.00 which went down some from last year.

Christina motioned to sign the 2015 Fire Contact with Rumney, Kyle 2nd, so voted.

Mailbox damage

Susan McQuaid sent an email with pictures of the damage that was done to her mailbox from the Town plow. She wanted the Select Board to review this to see if there is anything the Town is willing to do.

Kyle asked how they know it was the Towns truck that did this damage. Glen spoke that anything that is in the Towns/states right of way the property owners are responsible for the maintenance. Christina explained that we have never replaced the mailboxes but we had Dorchester replace the ones on River Road. The Board agreed that if it is in the right of way then we are not responsible. It does state that these will not be repaired but will assist in showing where it should be placed. Glen has already told Susan McQuaid that he will come up in the Spring to assist with this. The Board agreed that since Glen is willing to show her where to place the mailbox to avoid any future damage, that they would relay

that information to the property owner, but she is responsible for replacing it herself. Glen said he is willing to do this for anyone that needs it. Bob asked if we should adopt a policy for the future that we are protected. Glen agreed . Sara will add this to the to-do list.

Time Warner contract to Laura

Due to the changes with the States requirements, Laura needs a static IP address for the Town of Groton. This will cost the town an additional \$20.00 a month and the contract term is 36 months.

Kyle motioned to sign the Time Warner contract, Bob 2nd, so voted.

Request for GHS to use Town House Meeting Room

The Groton Historical Society requested to use the Town House Meeting Room and the kitchen Saturday April 25, 2015 at 2:00pm. There is nothing else scheduled for this date and time.

Bob motioned to approve the GHS to use the Town House Meeting Room and kitchen on April 25, 2015, Kyle 2nd, so voted.

Meeting Schedule for February

The Board needs to schedule work sessions for the month of February.

The Select Board scheduled the following work sessions:

2/10/14 at 5:30pm

2/17/15 6:00pm

2/24/15 6:00pm

The Board also scheduled candidate nights on the February 17th and 24th during the Select Board Meeting. This is a chance for anyone to come to these meetings to explain why they are running and to answer questions.

Kyle asked if you can be on both planning and zoning board. The Board thought that you couldn't but stated we would look into it.

Sara will reach out to Tammy Drolet to see if she is interested in the Town Auditor position again.

SELECT BOARD ITEMS:

Thank you

Christina thanked the Rescignos for taking down Christmas decorations.

Food for the Town Meeting

The Town Meeting is scheduled for March 14th. Donna Arena volunteered to make coffee again. Elizabeth Jespersen offered to bring in a coffee maker. Christina asked for volunteers to bring in some breakfast items and to let Sara or Christina know so we can have a list of what is being brought.

Bob presented a request from Pamela Ferriere for others to take part in the program she volunteered in called "Day Away". The program is beneficial for the elderly and their caregivers. It is an adult day care program and she wanted to make the people aware in case anyone is interested. Bob said that he has the contact information if anyone wanted it.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

Planning Board Special Meeting

It was asked when the special meeting for the Planning Board was. Sara explained it is this Thursday, February 5, 2015 at 7:00pm.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Smith
Administrative Assistant