

TOWN OF GROTON  
SELECT BOARD MEETING  
July 14, 2015

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

**Audience Members Present**

Christina called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

**Christina motioned to approve the minutes of June 30, 2015 as written, John 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

*Groton/Alexandria Town Line*

Alan Barnard emailed regarding the Select Board's concerns of the snow delaying the completion of the perambulation project. He doesn't expect any further delays and is planning on completing by Thanksgiving.

*Request to use Town House for yoga*

Sara talked to Beth Musto, who inquired about using the Town House on Wednesday nights for yoga, and due to the price of the rental she feels it wouldn't be worth her time. The Board is planning on reviewing the use of the building policy for future inquiries.

*Update on debris at 10 Brock Lane*

The owner spoke with Sara regarding the debris issue and explained that this has been cleaned up and he feels the complaint was old. He admits there was a lot on the property in the winter but states that there is only wood there now. Christina recommends we should request a work session to inspect the property with the owner to resolve the concerns. Sara will contact him and request to meet with the Board on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm or August 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.

*Update on debris at 593 North Groton Rd*

James Platt called regarding debris at 593 North Groton Road and stated that the delay in responding to the letters was due to the the letters being addressed to Fremont and he has passed away. Mr. Platt feels that he has been cleaning up the property and doesn't feel that there is a health concern. He would like a letter with the list of what the health concerns are and if he has any questions at that point he will meet with the Select Board. The Select Board feels that walking the property to review areas of concern will be a much quicker resolution. Sara will contact him and request to meet with the Board on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm or August 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.

*Letter of support- Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA)*

Sara drafted a letter of support for the NLRA and the participation of the Town in the upcoming grant process. The process is for projects that will help eliminate issues such as run off from storm water damage. The letter was requested by Boyd Smith at the last Select Board meeting.

**Christina motioned to sign the letter of support for the NLRA, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Sara will scan and email the letter to Boyd Smith tonight along with the pictures on hand. Christina will look for the picture of the large culvert and will email it to Boyd Smith as soon as possible. Glen was asked to provide the numbers for the project to Christina by noon on Wednesday, July 15, 2015.

*Letter to M.E. Latulippe*

Sara drafted a letter to M.E. Latulippe thanking him for submitting his letter regarding North Groton Road project and the bid process. The Board reviewed the letter and explained what the concerns were and that the Board decided not to move forward with the project and not retract the bid. **John motioned to sign the letter to M.E. Latulippe, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

*Memo from Sara*

Sara presented a memo to the Board requesting time off. The Board approved office closings on July 24<sup>th</sup>, August 14<sup>th</sup> and September 4<sup>th</sup> and a shift change on July 31<sup>st</sup>, with the office open from 7am to 11am.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*Warrant for Unlicensed Dogs*

Pursuant to RSA 466:14 the Select Board issues a warrant to the Town Clerk every year directing her to proceed forthwith to issue civil forfeiture for each unlicensed dog. **Bob motioned to sign the warrant for unlicensed dogs, John 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

*Kirk Junkyard License Renewal*

The Town received the background check for Kirk's renewal with no record. **John motioned to sign the junkyard license for George Kirk, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

*Rego Junkyard License Renewal*

The Town received the background check for Rego's renewal with no record. This renewal was submitted to the Town on June 5<sup>th</sup> but the record check wasn't received back until after July 1<sup>st</sup>. The Board agreed to sign it with the July 1<sup>st</sup> date. **Christina motioned to sign the junkyard license for James Rego and date it July 1st, John 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

*Building Permit- 39 Giovanna Road*

Alan Record submitted a building permit for a single car garage on a 16x22 slab. **John motioned to sign the building permit for Giovanna Road, Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**SELECT BOARD ITEMS:**

*Road Damage update*

Christina explained that we received an email from the attorney regarding the North Groton Road road damage, that the logger contacted him and stated that he sent the Town a letter inquiring on the difference in amount from the first conversation to the invoice. Christina and John discussed this at last week's work session, where Christina remembered the first amount discussed being \$1,800 and then the invoice was billed for an updated amount of \$2100.00. The Select Board agreed for Mr. Charron to pay the original amount of \$1800.00 and also agreed to his request to pay \$300 a month.

*North Groton Road Project*

Bob distributed notices to those properties more closely affected by the North Groton Road road closure beginning July 27 during the days from 7am to 5pm. The notice has also been posted online, at the Town House and the Transfer Station. Christina explained that Sara will be notifying the Fire Departments and reviewing the road closure checklist previously created. One item that she felt we didn't think of was the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC) and to alert them in case of outages. Signs have also been posted on either side of the project area, near Halls Brook Road and near Route 118.

Jo O'Connor asked who received these notices. Christina explained only those that live in the area near the construction.

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:**

*Old Home Day Committee*

Jo O'Connor asked who can be contacted regarding Old Home Day Committee questions. Christina stated it is her or Vickie Kimball. Christina can be reached at 744-5274 or Vickie Kimball at 744-5395. Christina also mentioned the Old Home Day Committee meets tomorrow at 5:00pm.

**Having no other business to conduct, John motioned to adjourn at 7:53pm, Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Smith  
Administrative Assistant