

TOWN OF GROTON  
SELECT BOARD MEETING  
August 18, 2015

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

**Audience Members Present**

Christina called the meeting to order at 7:08pm.

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

**Bob motioned to approve the minutes of August 11, 2015 as written, John 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

*Old Home Day Update*

Christina provided an update on Old Home Day. The parade and all other events except for the fireworks took place on Saturday, August 15. There was a smaller crowd than normal which was probably due to the weather. The parade was the biggest parade we have had in a long time. There were Rumney and Hebron Fire Departments, antique cars, the Hardy Country Trail Groomer, kid entries and Town vehicles. There were a lot of raffle items. John made a bean bag toss game that said I Love Groton Old Home Day. Glen and his team made a stage for the band. The band played from 6p-9p with the last hour in the rain and played longer than they were supposed to. It was the Express Revival Band. The fireworks were postponed to Sunday, August 16, 2015 due to weather issues. There are Old Home day pictures, videos, etc at Groton-NH Events on Facebook. We will be returning \$389.00 to the Old Home Day fund. We also received \$1,200.00 from Groton Wind as a donation toward Old Home Day. Groton Historical Society set up a booth but there were no other vendors.

*Septic Concern*

At the last meeting there was a concern regarding the septic at 10 Brock Lane. Christina explained we contacted DES. Christina read everyone the response from DES which was *"Our database shows an approval for 10 Brock Road was issued on 6/10/2011 (CA2011104744) for a 3 bedroom, 450 gallon per day system. The database also indicates that the application was not submitted as a failed system so the approval was good for 4 years (expired 6/10/2015). This may have been an application to demonstrate that the property could support a 3 bedroom home to allow for the expansion of the house from a 2 bedroom house. These approvals are commonly referred to as "back pocket approvals". Whatever the case may be, approvals/designs do not have to be installed until the current system fails. Assuming the current system is not in failure, the homeowner does not have to resubmit until the system fails."*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*67 River Road- Deed and Disclosure*

Christina explained that the Board reviewed the deed and disclosure for 67 River Road during the Work Session. We met with Roger and Debra Thompson and the property was sold for \$24,000.00.

*Building permit- 493 Sculptured Rocks Rd*

Ed and Martha Chase submitted a building permit for a 12x24 deck off of the home at 493 Sculptured Rocks Road. **Bob motioned to sign the building permit for 493 Sculptured Rocks Road, John 2<sup>nd</sup> so voted.**

*Disposal Agreements- Dan Hewes and Vickie Kimball*

Dan Hewes submitted a disposal agreement for his address on 1344 North Groton Road and Vickie Kimball submitted a disposal agreement for her address on 47 Edgar Albert Road. Both disposal agreements are for the North Groton Road Project. The Board explained that they are late for the North Groton Road project but the Board did agree to approve it for a future project. **Christina motioned to sign the disposal agreements for Dan Hewes and Vickie Kimball, John 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**SELECT BOARD ITEMS:**

*Forest Hills Road*

Christina explained that there is some work being done at the red cabin on Forest Hills Road, but she isn't sure what they are doing. Sara will see if there is a building permit on file. If there is no permit, then Bob will check on the property.

*Groton Wind Credit Rating*

It was explained that we were looking into the credit rating for Groton Wind. There was a letter of credit issued previously that indicates it was expired in 2013 but couldn't be released without the agreement of both parties. Groton Wind's credit rating was BBB and has stayed the same so there is no additional issue but we may need a new letter of credit to protect the Town. Sara is looking into this.

*Department Head Meeting reminder*

Christina explained that the Board started something new by meeting with the Department Heads and will do this every other month. We have had one meeting so far and the next one is September 8<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. Sara will send an email to remind the Department Heads and to request a list of what they would like to discuss. The Board members will also submit a list to Sara for the meeting.

*Select Board Work Sessions for September*

The Select Board scheduled meetings at 5:00pm every Tuesday in September except for the 8<sup>th</sup> which is 4:00pm for the Department Head meeting.

**QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:**

*Extra Food from Old Home Day*

Betty asked what was going to be done with the extra food. Christina explained that we are going to be doing something with it and we will have a better idea once the Old Home Day Committee meets. One idea is to have a Town dance with a cookout.

*10 Brock Lane*

Elizabeth Jespersen asked what was found with the drive by at 10 Brock Lane. It was explained that there is debris and the Select Board will be meeting with them.

*47 Sculptured Rocks Rd*

It was explained that this property has a dumpster and clean up has started.

*Health Officer*

It was asked if we have hired a Health Officer. Christina mentioned we just interviewed for the position.

**Having no other business to conduct, Christina motioned to go into non-public session pursuant RSA 91-A:3, II (a) at 7:40pm, John 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**Christina motioned to seal the non-public minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John, so voted.**

**Christina motioned to adjourn at 7:50pm, John 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Smith  
Administrative Assistant