

TOWN OF GROTON
WORK SESSION
May 24, 2016

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

Christina called the meeting to order at 4:00pm, John 2nd, so voted.

Nedeau Lane

Nedeau Lane is in bad shape. It appears that the work that Mr. Coutu is doing is making the road worse. He is using material for the road that has large rocks in it. Below are the issues that were noticed on this road:

- There were a lot of tires on the side of the road that need to be disposed of and notice will be sent once the owner is confirmed.
- There were culverts sticking out of the road.
- Older culverts that were removed were thrown on the side of the road and need to be disposed of.
- The material that is piled near that road, which appears to be the material being used on the road is not suitable
- There is a dilapidated trailer that needs to be removed.
- The junkyard dog needs to be contacted about the property that he has visited before. There are a lot of vehicles along with other items that cause some concern. Christina feels that when the Junkyard Dog goes out that a member of the Select Board should be there to act as the Health Officer.

Sara will reach out to the Junkyard Dog regarding this property. She will also send a letter explaining that the Select Board did a drive by of the road that they requested to do maintenance on and explain that the material they are using is not suitable. Sara will find out from Glen what is the suitable fill and will include that in the letter along with if they have any questions or concerns they can meet with the Public Works Director.

10 Brock Lane

The Select Board drove by 10 Brock Lane. They noticed that the property has definitely been cleaned up since they last went by but there is still debris that needs to be removed. Sara will write a letter thanking them for cleaning up and asking for an update regarding the clean-up and their plans.

593 North Groton Road

The Select Board drove by 593 North Groton Road. They noticed that the property has definitely been cleaned up since they last went by but there is still debris that needs to be removed. Sara will write a letter that states "upon a drive by inspection the town is concerned that you may be coming out of compliance and we are checking in to see what the status of the clean-up is."

EJ will look into if they are still working with DCYF.

559 North Groton Road

The Select Board did a walk around of the property. There are many items that need to be removed during the clean-up process. It was realized that the Town will definitely have to get a dumpster to the property to assist with clean up. As far as the house goes, everything will be removed except for the foundation. For the other items, the Select Board will clean up the rest of the property but will not touch the two boats, the two riding lawn mowers, the push mower and the cap for a truck. Once we get information on the dumpster and set up a clean-up date, Sara will write them a letter informing them that these are the items we see as valuables and all other items will be disposed of. The letter will state that if they think something is of value that was not listed here than they should contact the Select Board office before the date on the letter or they should visit the property and remove the items. It will be stated as such "If you are in disagreement contact us by the date on the letter and if we don't hear from you we will proceed with our clean-up plan.

Sara will call and get some pricing on dumpsters.

New property across from Transfer Station

The Select Board stopped at the new property across from the Transfer Station where the new Highway garage will eventually be. There are a few piles of wood left from the clean-up on Saturday. This will be announced at the Select Board meeting that if anyone is interested in the wood to give their name to Sara.

Town House items

Eventually we should think about paving the Town House driveway and parking lot. Sara will ask Glen for a quote as to what he thinks this would cost.

Sara will ask Glen to make sure that when the Town House is mowed that the windows with the gutters around them are cleaned out.

Route 118- The Dumont property

Sara will reach out to the Dumont's along with Frank from Pemi-Valley Habitat for Humanity and give them the following two options:

- Option 1 - the Select Board has reconsidered them using the Transfer Station on a Friday but because we have to pay someone to be there, they will be responsible for the hourly wages for that day.
- Option 2 - they need to let us know ahead of time which Saturdays they will be bring items to the dump and the Select Board will provide a letter that would give permission to dump and make sure there is sufficient room to dump multiple trailers.

Sara's Memo

Sara gave the Select Board a Memo asking to leave Friday the 27th at 9:45am instead of 10:45am so she could attend a funeral for her good friend's Dad. **Christina motioned to approve Sara leaving at 9:45am on Friday May 27th, John 2nd so voted.**

Charitables

Sara will put together a memo with the charitable information for the Select Board to sign.

USDA Grant

The USDA sent a letter stating that there is still a little over \$1,200.00 in the grant that the Town got. If not used or if they are not contacted by June 3, 2016 this money will go back to the USDA. Sara will talk to Glen and have him get quotes as soon as possible for the truck radios. Sara will also contact the USDA and explain this is what we are doing.

Custodial position

Sara will repost the position for the custodian. Christina will mention this at the meeting tonight.

Quote from Advanced Lock & Alarm

Bob McArthur had sent a quote to the Town for his new alarm company, but there was no yearly charge. Currently we are being charged \$252.00 a year from Maine Security and then extra for any calls not covered by the yearly contract. Sara will reach back out to Bob to see if he offers a yearly contracted amount.

Hebron Fire Department EMS Lunch

None of the Select Board was able to attend the lunch on May 18th. Sara will send an email apologizing and stating that the Select Board would love to come at another time to meet and greet the staff and to view the new equipment.

Letter from Iberdrola

The Select Board received a letter for Iberdrola regarding the "Guaranty" and the "Letter of Credit". Sara will send a copy of the letter, along with a copy of the guaranty and the letter of credit to the Select Board.

Having no other business to conduct, Christina motioned to adjourn at 6:59pm, John 2nd so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Smith
Administrative Assistant