

TOWN OF GROTON
WORK SESSION
August 2, 2016

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

Christina called the meeting to order at 4:10pm, Bob 2nd, so voted.

Building Committee

In Attendance: Bubba, EJ, John, Bob, Christina and Sara

Absent: Slim, Roger and Glen

The rest of the test pits were dug and there were no issues. They were dug 8ft deep and there was no ledge. Bubba said he is supposed to fill them in tomorrow so if anyone wants to look at them they still can.

Sara gave the information from Suzanne Wall. The building has to be at least 20ft from this well. The driveway is fine and will not affect it.

Bubba mentioned that Glen wants the building to be sideways. We all thought it would be facing the road. Bob thought maybe Glen wants it this way for the pull through garage. Bubba said there should still be room based on his measurements.

Right now we are at a standstill. We should have the property logged. We need to have an engineer or architect to tell us where the building should go before we log or do anything else. Bubba mentioned we should contact one of the metal building companies to come out and give us an estimate. There is Construx, Inc out of Plymouth. Bubba will contact the companies and ask what they will need to do. If anyone is interested we can set up a meeting with them and the Building Committee.

We will bring the information to Town Meeting to be able to move forward. We can pay for some plans as well.

Christina will email Bruce Barnard regarding what was done in the past. We will need him to do a perk test to find out where the septic can go so Christina will ask what the cost is if we haven't done this yet. If we have she will ask for the results.

Christina mentioned that she was supposed to look into the potential to have a secondary driveway. We were going to see if we can have the logging access road to have to entrances. Christina will send the email tomorrow.

This is all we can do right now. We will need the costs. John stated we will gather all of that information and then plan the next meeting from there.

Tree in Brook

Glen stated that he was told he cannot touch the Tree that is in the Brook. Sara will reach out to the state to see what can be done. Sara will follow up with Glen to see who he talked to.

Sick/Personal Time

The Select Board agreed that we should have sick time and this should be sick/personal time. They think that we should offer 5 days. Sara made changes to the policy with the following:

- A full time employee shall receive 5 sick/personal days each year.
- If, within any year, an employee uses all of the sick/personal time for that year, the employee will not be paid any sick/personal time for the remainder of that year.
- The balance of unused sick/personal time cannot be carried over. There will be no payment in lieu of unused sick/personal time at the end of the year or at the termination of employment.
- There is no impact on benefits or accrual of vacation time while sick/personal time is being used.

Christina motioned to approve 5 sick/personal days effective January 1, 2017 and the Select Board will sign the policy at the next meeting, John 2nd, so voted.

10 Brock Lane

Send letter still not in compliance and we need the property to be cleaned up immediately with deadline of 8/31/16. Sara will draft the letter and contact the Board to come in and sign it.

593 North Groton

Before we send a letter we need to drive by because the Board doesn't want it to appear to the property owner as if the Board is harassing them. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Old Home Day

Nothing has been done for Old Home Day. Christina will reach out to the band from last year. There is a list that needs to be done and will send it out through Sara. Sara will send this to the Committee. Christina asked if the Select Board is okay with Sara sending the letter that we send to the businesses, area properties to let them know about fireworks and Commercial properties to participate in the parade. Glen needs to put the signs up ASAP. Sara will contact a band she knows and Christina will contact a few others.

Electronics

Richard mentioned that Northcoast may come tomorrow, Thursday or Friday to set up for the electronics. Once the bin is set up then we can take electronics.

Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA)

Bonnie from the NRRA is supposed to get in touch with Sara to update the information on the propane tanks disposal. They can get us a cage to put the propane tanks in that holds 36. Right now we have 21 just sitting there. Once we have the bin the minimum for pick up is 25.

Having no other business to conduct, John motioned to adjourn at 7:02pm, Bob 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Smith
Administrative Assistant