# TOWN OF GROTON SELECT BOARD MEETING April 12, 2016

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

#### **Audience Members Present**

Bob called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

#### MINUTE APPROVAL

The approval of the minutes of April 5, 2016 were tabled until next week since John was not at the meeting and Christina is absent tonight, therefore there were not two people to approve the minutes.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### Updated Abatement Application

The Select Board signed an updated Abatement Application last week for Vintage Lands. However, the amount was listed incorrectly as it didn't show the interest charged. This has been corrected. John motioned to sign the corrected abatement application, tax warrant and the land use change tax forms, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.

#### Update Status of Culvert

Last week it was mentioned that there was not a valid cover on the catch basin on North Groton Road. Glen reported that this was corrected by making a grate from leftover materials. Sara will confirm with Glen that the grate is secure so no one would be able to remove it.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

## Representative Bryan Gallagher

Bryan Gallagher attended the meeting and explained he is currently a State Representative for Belknap County. Recently Jeanie Forrester announced that she is running for Governor and with that her seat open, he has decided to run for that seat as a Republican.

He was born in Rhode Island and currently resides in Sanbornton. He is semi-retired and has spent over 30 years in finance. He received a BA degree from Boston College and his MBA from Plymouth State University. He currently provides part-time business administration for two small NH schools.

He is an active local government participant and is on many boards and volunteer committees.

He is trying to go to all communities to introduce himself and be available for questions. This will also help him understand what is going on in each community. Bryan asked the audience if anyone has any questions for him.

Joe Koslow mentioned that when Senator Forrester was here we were talking about roads. The roads in the southern part of the State are always taken care of but our State roads up north are not taken care as well, such as North Groton Road and this needs to be dug up and redone. Bryan mentioned that he knows this is a problem and said that getting on the highway list can be a lengthy process. He did explain that they have tried a new process for a road in Sanbornton and it seemed to work and is supposed to hold 3-5 years. It isn't a new road but it is a repair that seems better than what they used to do. Bryan stated that it is important to get everyone together if there are certain roads in certain towns that need to be fixed.

Joe Koslow also told Bryan that the entire Department Of Transportation (DOT) needs to be looked at.

Joe Koslow also mentioned that Jeanie Forrester stated that a percent from the gasoline tax was supposed to be used for future projects. However, it was used to finish other projects. Joe thinks this is wrong and feels that money should be used toward what it is stated it is for.

## Septic Design for Map 7 Lot 52

The Town of Groton received a septic design for Map 7 Lot 52. Sara made sure the information on the designs was correct. John motioned to sign septic design for Map 7 Lot 52, Bob 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.

## Intent to Cut- Map 9 Lots 2,8,10

The Town of Groton received an intent to cut from FORECO for Map 9 Lots 2, 8 and 10. The map and lot numbers are correct and taxes are paid, so no bond is needed. **Bob motioned to sign the intent to cut for Map 9 Lot 2, 8 and 10, John 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.** 

## SELECT BOARD ITEMS:

## Rumney Fire Contract

The Board had requested that the contract be updated to reflect the coverage area. This was done and everything looks good. Bob motioned to sign the fire contract for Rumney, John 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.

## **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:**

## Clarification

Ann asked what day there was no meeting. John explained April 26, 2016.

## Having no other business to conduct, John motioned to adjourn at 7:24pm, John 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Smith Administrative Assistant