

TOWN OF GROTON
PUBLIC HEARING – PROPOSED BUDGET
February 8, 2017

In Attendance: Christina Goodwin, Kyle Andrews

Absent: John Rescigno, Sara Smith

Audience Members Present

Christina called the Public Hearing on the Budget to order at 6:02 pm.

Christina explained that the Select Board met to discuss on the budget on Tuesday night and made some changes to the Warrant Articles which changed the overall budget total, but not the Operating Budget. Updated copies were given out during the hearing.

Christina reported that the Operating Budget reduced by approximately \$30,000 with \$28,000 of that amount attributed to the last truck payment being paid in 2016. In reality, the overall reduction was approximately \$2,600.

The proposed budget was discussed by the following sections:

Executive

The proposed budget is \$57,675, an increase of \$1,289, which was mainly in the Executive Assistant line. Pamela Hamel inquired on what the increase was for. Christina explained that there was a proposed merit increase as part of the evaluation process. Merit increases ranged from 0% to 3% for staff. Pam inquired if the increases included a cost of living. Christina reported that they were merit increases only and no cost of living.

Election, Registration, Vital Statistics

The proposed budget is \$54,975, an increase of \$1,086. Within this budget there is a proposed increase for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Ruth Millett, changing from \$26,400 to \$28,048, an increase of \$1,648 for the year. Ruth did not receive an increase in the past year. The Board has received legal opinions that the increase can be submitted in the budget as long as it is specifically pointed out for the public to consider. Pam asked - what happens if the Town doesn't want to approve this increase, when the budget is a bottom line budget. Christina reported that an amendment can be made at Town Meeting and the Board would have to follow the amendment as the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's pay is approved by the voters. Pam inquired on the amount per hour. Christina didn't have the specific hourly rate but it was based upon 1600 hours a year.

Financial Administration

The proposed budget is \$19,570, an increase of \$850, attributed to auditing changes, quarterly audit reviews and a proposed increase to the Treasurer's stipend. The Board has chosen a new firm to complete the financial audit because of substantial delays in setting the 2016 tax rate that stemmed from questions over last year's audit. The auditing firm will also review and provide recommendations quarterly about processes that the Town uses.

The Board also proposed an increase for the Treasurer as the position hasn't received a change in stipend since she began the role and the stipend hasn't been changed since before the current Treasurer. An inquiry was made about the Deputy Treasurer position. Christina reported that there is not anyone in the position but the Board would leave that up to the current Treasurer and has left the \$50 in the budget should the need arise. Pam raised a concern about the Reserve Funds that the Select Board are not responsible for, especially in the Treasurer's absence.

Legal Expenses

The proposed budget is \$13,000, a reduction of \$2,000. The Board combined the attorney fees general and attorney fees junkyard compliance into one category and then reduced it by \$1,000. The Board also reduced junkyard compliance by \$1,000. Miles Sinclair inquired about the enforcement of the junkyard compliance as he thought that things were in good shape and the Board could possibly consider an additional reduction. Christina reported that there are a couple of issues that have been extended until spring. The Board has also looked into other options, but there doesn't seem to be any appropriate ones at this time.

Miles reported that he looked over the budget and for the most part he felt that the Board did a good job. Any of his questions are more for gaining information. Christina reported that there is a second public hearing on February 14, 2017 at 7:00pm to go over any changes that the Board may make.

Personnel Administration

The proposed budget is \$80,000, a decrease overall. Adjustments were made in life, disability and health insurances. Pam inquired on the decrease in health insurance. Christina reported that there were increases in rate changes and decreases in enrollment changes, but the Board would have the number verified.

Planning/Zoning

The proposed budget is \$8,502, an increase of about \$502. Ann Joyce inquired on the Master Plan being a new category. Deb Johnson answered that there is a new law that requires a mailing be made to all affected parties when there is a Zoning change. Deb also reported that it included the cost of photocopies for Zoning amendments etc. The Board agreed that there shouldn't be a charge for the photocopies for amendments and will clarify with the Select Board Office. If there are no changes to documents and someone requests a copy, then there would be a fee. Changes to Zoning, amendments, etc. wouldn't have a fee. Christina advised that the Board will get Planning and Zoning assigned codes for using the copier. Ann inquired on the change in the Zoning Board seminars. Glen Hanson reported that the Zoning Board has new members and also will be changing the Chair so there would be potential for training.

General Government Buildings

The proposed budget is \$23,680, an increase of \$25 in cleaning supplies.

Cemeteries

The proposed budget is \$9,360, an increase of \$4,200 in the site work for River Road cemetery. Miles inquired on the salary line. The line wasn't expended but the budget for this line was not lowered. Christina reported that there was maintenance that wasn't done and that there were staff changes at the end of the year and the Board didn't have a dedicated employee for the cemeteries. Miles inquired on the site work for River Road. Sherri Nelson reported that there is landscaping and preparation for the addition to the River Road Cemetery and also some downed trees. Christina reported that the Board

encumbered \$400 from 2016 budget to pay for downed trees. She also reported that the \$4,200 was to remove the large pile of debris, cut down trees, start to clear the lot and landscape some. Pam reported that salaries is not to pay outside work but regular mowing, etc., and maintenance is more for outside work such as stone work. It was discussed that the salary and maintenance line should be swapped as there are a number of maintenance items to do at each of the cemeteries.

General Insurance

The proposed budget is \$15,335, an increase of \$460 in the Workmen's Compensation line.

Advertising and Regional Associations

The proposed budget is \$2,450, an increase of \$250 in the dues line.

Other General Government

The proposed budget is \$3,872, an increase of \$72 in the tax mapping line. Slim Spafford inquired on the grants line and if it is for people writing grants. Christina reported that that line is normally for offsetting grants received by the Town. In 2016, a portion of the money was used for a clean-up of a property in the Town that is being billed to the property owner.

Police

The proposed budget is \$128,127, a decrease of \$3,123. There are increases and decreases throughout the budget. Ann inquired on the prosecutor line's increase. Chief Thompson reported that membership changed and that the budget is done on a five-year average for number of cases and Groton's cases have increased. Ann inquired on the reduction of gas. Christina reported that the Wex Card has helped reduce costs. The Board also determined that with the potential of the new officer and more patrolling, that the line couldn't be reduced any further than it was. Joe Koslow inquired on full-time vs part-time officer. Christina reported that the budget is based upon a part-time officer with Chief Thompson and that the Town will decide the status of the Officer under the Warrant Articles. Miles inquired about the issues with the Prosecutor Association, how many Town's used to belong and how many do now? Chief Thompson reported that he believed there were Town's leaving and new Town's joining and there are concerns with where the Association will move going forward. Mr. Sinclair is concerned that as more and more towns drop out, it could become more detrimental to Groton. He inquired if it made sense to contact Hebron to see if Groton could pool with them for their prosecutor. Miles inquired why the Board put the new officer into the Full-Time Academy when the full-time position hasn't passed the warrant. Christina reported that the Board at the time agreed to the Full-Time Academy in order to utilize the officer up to 30 hours. Chief Thompson reported that the Academy for part-time officers restricts their hours to no more than 1300 hours per year and at 30 hours per week that would be over 1300. The Board worked at covering the Town as best as possible by having an agreement signed with the new officer which requires a minimum of three years, or training costs to be paid back at a pro-rated amount.

Miles asked if the Town doesn't want a full-time officer then the Board using him at 30 hours a week is almost the same thing. Christina advised that originally there were two part-time positions being hired for up to 30 hours total, so the Board changed it to one officer instead as it has been hard to fill any of the positions. Kyle Andrews advised that the Town wouldn't have to pay benefits for a part-time officer. Pam inquired on the cut off for hours for the New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS). The Board did check into State requirements, but will verify with NHRS.

Sherri inquired about the Prosecutor Association, if a Town leaves the Association they might feel that their cases are lower and that they could pay for it and prosecute themselves. Chief Thompson advised that some towns do believe that and others contract to pay a specific cost per case.

Miles inquired on the \$500 for Animal Control as the Police were supposed to be assuming responsibility for that position. The Board agreed to not fill the position and the Police Department would be handling the calls, but the budget also included any costs for animals that may have to be brought to the shelter.

Miles inquired about the Special Operations Unit (SOU) stipend being reduced to a \$1.00. Does this mean that we no longer have a representative in the SOU? Chief Thompson reported that he is now a salary position, but is still part of the SOU. He doesn't take the stipend.

Fire and Ambulance

The proposed budget is \$73,446, an increase of \$527 in the Lakes Region Mutual Aid (LRMA) line. Pam inquired if the LRMA contract ever reduced after the first year with the Wind Farm. Christina reported that it did but it was only reduced by a couple thousand.

Emergency Management

The proposed budget is \$903, a reduction of \$947.

Highway Administration

The proposed budget is \$70,535. The last truck payment, which was paid in 2016, reduced the budget by about \$28,000, but if you take the truck payment out of the equation, the budget does increase approximately \$2,900.

Highways and Streets

The proposed budget is \$63,651, a reduction of \$1,500. Ann inquired on the diesel. It was budgeted at \$18,500 but we only spent about half last year. Glen reported that we had a mild winter. The budget was increased last year when the costs of fuel increased. Slim Spafford inquired on who was taking care of the Highway now for the State. Halls Brook Road and up North Groton Road to the Hebron town line is done by the State and we do not know who they contract to maintain. Miles inquired about the times that the Town is plowing and sanding the State section of North Groton Road. Glen reported that that is correct. There are some safety issues with running a truck up a non-treated road and at times it is necessary for the Highway Department to plow to access the Town roads. It is very limited. Miles inquired about a reimbursement from the State. Kyle asked Glen to keep track of how many times he has to do this, because maybe we need to reach out to the State to plow or sand more.

Miles inquired on the gas line. Maintenance is done at numerous locations. Pam felt that all gas lines should be moved to the Highway line because it is too hard to track what department the gas is truly being used for. The Board agreed and will review whether that should be done for the 2017 budget or the 2018 budget.

Sherri inquired on what is under the safety line. Boots, gloves, glasses and vests.

Streets and Lighting

The proposed budget is \$1,100, no change. What company is the street lighting under. The Board reported the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative (NHEC).

Sanitation – Monitoring

The proposed budget is \$6,875, an increase of \$275 in the landfill monitoring. Pam inquired on the costs going up and not going down. The Board is working with Suzanne Wall and Andover Geological. There are things that the Board can work with the two and Joe Koslow to start reducing fees. Joe reported that the Department of Environmental Services (DES) controls the reporting. Kyle remembers that Ms. Wall reported in past years that monitoring should go down. The Board needs to review the information from Ms. Wall and look at the process for the year.

Solid Waste Disposal

The proposed budget is \$59,446, an increase of \$5,225 attributed to wages, transportation costs and recycling costs. The Transfer Station created a brochure which lists costs for items that were not charged previously. These costs are to help offset the costs for disposal. Ann inquired on what is covered under the wage increases. The Board reported that it covers costs for the Attendant and the Highway Department to dispose of the metals as well as any dumpsters that need to be packed to allow for more disposal. Sherri inquired on transportation costs are due to a large number of trips or large cost for the trips. Joe reported that there are trips to different sections of the state and multiple types of material transported. The Transfer Station limits trips by packing dumpsters and we only send them out when they are full. The transportation costs are for all five dumpsters. Pam stated that the costs also include the tonnage.

Pam inquired on what the recycle costs cover. Christina reported that the new electronics trailer, microwaves, refrigerators, air conditioners, propane tanks, and light bulbs. Sherri asked if the cost to transport these items is offset by the costs charged. Joe reported to some extent as the money goes into the General Fund. Christina reported that anything that goes into the General Fund offsets the budget. The Board will get a breakdown of the amount of money taken in to the Transfer Station.

Health Administration

The proposed budget is \$1,558, a decrease of \$1,297. The Board has agreed to leave the stipend in the budget to be split among the Board while they are acting as the Health Officer. They are not hiring an officer but should a new Board want to hire, then the stipend would go to the officer. The Board has reached out to other Towns, has solicited specific people, or has attempted to hire, all to no avail. This can be revisited in 2017. All other lines were adjusted, but the training, legal etc remained to cover the Board. The Board did have to go to court in 2016 to do a property clean up and those costs were absorbed into the budget. The property owner was billed through the Tax Collector's Office as a supplemental billing for the owners to pay the costs.

Slim inquired on Code Enforcement. Christina reported that Code is usually under Land Use for building permits, Zoning, Planning, etc., but Health covers clean up issues, septic, etc.

Health Agencies and Hospitals

The proposed budget is \$3,944, an increase of \$16 for Mid-State Health. Ms. Nelson inquired on the services that Mid-State provide. Christina reported that they provide services/treatment to certain individuals who may not be able to pay their bill. In 2016, they asked for \$15, but this year they asked for \$50.

Welfare

No changes in the budget. Slim inquired on what a vendor is. The Board reported it could be for oil, heat, rent, electric, propane, etc.

Culture and Recreation

The proposed budget is \$5,379, an \$80 increase under portable toilets due to an extra cleaning in summer months. Slim inquired if fireworks come under this budget. Christina reported that that cost was part of Old Home Day.

Pam inquired on the maintenance of the parks and if the gasoline is moved out, what would that line change to. Christina advised that the Board could look into that. Ms. Nelson inquired on the use of the Tapply-Thompson Community Center (TTCC) and whether the Town used the center or individuals. Christina reported that it was a portion based upon usage by Groton children and residents. TTCC does summer camp, after school, dances and all of the programs offered throughout the year.

Library

The proposed budget is \$2,500, a \$576 reduction. Miles inquired on the status of the Library. Sherri advised that the Library Trustees met with the State Librarian and Groton doesn't have anything to offer right now. He thought that services with other towns would be more beneficial.

Miles inquired if the Library was now defunct. Sherri reported that it is not and that they needed to get a clear definition of what the checking account could be used for so they might not need to ask the Town for money.

Patriotic Purposes

The proposed budget is \$100, with no change. Sherri inquired on what this budget is used for. Christina reported flags. Ruth Millett inquired if the outside flag was lit and Christina reported that it was not and it needed to be fixed.

Conservation

The proposed budget is \$1,980, with no change.

The proposed Warrant Articles were reviewed:

Christina reported that the Warrant Articles were changed from the original posting. The Board met and changed Article 5 and Article 6 and then removed another article.

Article 1: The Town Officials – Openings will be posted and available at the next meeting. Pam inquired about the Saturday meetings. She said that people don't want to give up their Saturdays and she was wondering if the Board would consider changing. Sherri inquired if all positions had people running for them. Ruth reported that there were entries for all open positions but one person is declining.

Article 2: the budget.

Article 3: Full Time Police Officer

Christina reported that this was placed into the townspeople's hands to see if they want to hire a Full-Time Police Officer or not. Miles inquired on the Select Board recommendation, who voted and why. Christina advised that she was the one that voted to recommend. She wanted it to be on the Warrant to

let the townspeople decide. As an individual, Christina reported that she has been on the receiving end of the phone call when there wasn't an officer on duty and she would like to see the Town get more coverage if possible. As a Board member, it has been very difficult to find Part Time officers, that we can get through all of the testing and who are suitable for the position. In addition, there are townspeople who have inquired about more coverage. Christina knows that the Town isn't going to get 24X7 coverage. She also feels nervous about the costs even with the grant.

Kyle reported that he didn't feel that we need another Full-Time officer. The cost is too much. He is not in favor but feels that it should be a town vote. If we can get the new officer at the 30 hours a week, with no costs of benefits, then it is good.

Deb inquired on what other towns are doing. She is concerned about having a Part-Time officer or only 30 hours and being able to retain the new officer. Chief Thompson reported that Hebron has 6 officers, mostly part-time. Kyle reported that paying a part-time officer more money might also be a consideration. Sherri inquired if we can group one officer together for a full-time position shared among towns. Kyle advised that the problem with that is there are too many chiefs involved, then how do the benefits get split, and Part-Time Certified is restricted on the number of hours they can work. Miles feels that it is going to be hard to get a young Full-Time Officer to commit to a small town like Groton. He is going to want to advance his career, make more money, have more excitement. Miles feels that a retired officer is Groton's best alternative.

Article 4: Cops Grant

Ann inquired at the end of the three years of the grant, then what happens. Chief Thompson reported that the Town would have to hire someone for the fourth year only, but we could confirm with the Grant contact the exact repercussions. Christina reported that the Town has been awarded the grant but has not accepted it yet and has been granted an extension for the final decision until March 31, 2017. The Grant pays a portion of the costs of an officer for three years. Miles inquired on how long we are obligated to maintain the officer. Chief Thompson reported that the officer would need to be for four years, three years of the grant and then the fourth year at the Town's full costs. The \$125,000 is a portion for three years.

Article 5: Police Department Officer Costs

The Town needs to gross budget the amount of the position and then the grant offsets the budget. The salary, medical insurance, benefits in the total amount of \$63,184.24. Pam feels that the townspeople needs to fully understand the costs. The Board had asked the attorney for the wording on the article and was advised to remove the breakdown. The Board agreed that there should be a list of the costs handed out for the Town Meeting.

Article 6: Atwell Orange Brook Bridge

The Board adjusted the amount of this warrant at last night's meeting. The Board has signed a contract with KV Partners LLC to engineer the project. They are now doing test bores. They will be doing the full plan, design phase for the bridge etc, managing the project from start to finish. They provided a very preliminary cost breakdown for the project, all pending site work etc. That prelim number is \$265,500 to engineer, design, install, temp bridge, complete full bridge. The Board chose to change the warrant from \$150,000 to \$225,000 to put in the reserve fund. Kyle explained that we were not going to do the bridge until the following year but after discussing, it was determined that it would be better to get the project done this year.

The Board also removed the Warrant Article for the Road Project in order to get the bridge completed.

Miles inquired on the type of bridge. Glen Hanson reported that it was a pre-cast concrete bridge structure. Miles inquired on the rating. Christina reported it is the highest rating – a legally loaded log truck. The bridge will no longer be an E2 rated bridge. Christina reported that the firm is checking on where the water is scouring near the abutments to determine how the new abutments will need to be installed. Miles inquired on the prelim estimate again. Christina advised the prelim construction estimate was \$229,000, another \$30,000 for engineering and management of the project. The two together is \$265,500. If the Warrant Article passes then the full amount in the reserve is \$281,000.

Pam inquired on the possibility of a one-lane bridge as she feels there is less traffic, lots of sight and less costs. Christina reported that the Board chose the 1 ½ to 2 lane bridge to plan for the future as the bridge is expected to last for 75 years. The Department of Transportation states that there is no requirement for the Town to do a two-lane, but they feel that if the Town is accepting the lesser standards then the Town is taking a risk. Kyle felt that this is a possibility. Mr. Sinclair inquired about the State's bridge construction grants. The Board will research the possibilities of other grants with the ten-year plan. Mr. Spafford inquired on USDA grants. The Board will check.

Article 7: Previously Road – removed. Now \$25,000 repair of Groton paved roads.

Article 8: Province Road.

Marina Chase inquired on the Province Road classification. It is a Class V Cottage Rd, which requires summer maintenance and no winter maintenance. Marina inquired on how many Class V gravel roads are in Groton. Marina advised that from 2005 to 2015 there was an article for Province Road each year. She estimates that the Town passed \$5,000 for 13 years and doesn't understand why Province is getting so much and other Class V roads do not. Christina reported that all Class V roads should be maintained out of the Highway budget and if they are not being done then that is an issue that the Board would need to address. Marina said for 13 years there have been band-aids on her road and no maintenance. She feels that there will be more costs for the road because the maintenance isn't being done like it should.

Pam felt that the Town is required to maintain the road and it should come from the Highway Department's budget. If it is done as a Warrant Article and it is voted down, then we are still going to have to maintain the road. Christina never questioned the article because it has been on the warrant all the years she has been on the Board and more. Marina inquired if there are homes out there. There are camps further out. The Town is required to keep the road open to the Dorchester line as there is no other access to their property but through Groton. The Board will consider how this should be handled moving forward.

Article #9: \$6,000 for Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund.

The article is for \$6,000 to go into the Capital Reserve Fund, as at some point the existing cruiser is going to have to be replaced. Miles inquired on the year of the cruiser. It is a 2014. Christina asked why the deposit amount changed. Chief Thompson reported it changed because the costs of a vehicle have increased.

Article #10: \$25,000 for the Public Works Capital Reserve Fund.

The Board has reached out to two contractors about the building. The Board is reviewing the quotes but is not ready to build the building. The Board is trying to put a little more money away toward the project.

Kyle reported that the Board was rushing to get the project started and felt that we need to do our homework before presenting something to the Town. Christina reported that we are looking at stages to complete the project. The building project includes well, septic, driveway, building, salt shed, etc.

Article #11: \$7,000 - Assessing Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund

The Town just completed a revaluation in 2016 and is now in the next 5-year cycle. This would put money away for the payment in the final year. The Town will be asking for Request for Proposals for this service moving forward.

Article #12: \$5,000 – Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund

Article #13: \$5,000 – Disaster Relief Capital Reserve Fund

Article #14: \$5,000- Perambulation Non-Capital Reserve Fund

There are two lines in progress currently, one line has blazing that remains. Sherri inquired on the Board's decision on Miles offer. The Board has referred to the Town's attorney and needs to review, but has not made a final determination.

Article #15: \$5,000 – Townhouse Capital Reserve Fund

Article #16: \$5,000 – Truck Sander Capital Reserve Fund

Article #17: Dispose of tax deeded property – Off North Groton Rd – Map 2 Lot 123

This article was previously used to dispose of property. This parcel is a land only lot off of North Groton Road. The property is located near Morning Dove and Bob Beraudo's property. Pam and Miles inquired about the Town's confidence in owning the property. This property is past the ten year mark and would need a little additional research if sold, but the Board wanted to get the permission on the Warrant.

Article 18: All Veteran's Tax Credit

The law changed this past year to allow Veterans who did not serve in a specific war time to qualify for a tax credit. Pam inquired about being able to set this credit amount as a different amount. Christina reported the statute states it has to be the same amount. The Town has already approved the standard Veteran's Credit for \$500. Slim felt that the Board needs to have a general estimation of the potential impact for the Board. Miles feels that you really don't have any idea. Christina reported that it is a general formula which gives you an estimate only. Miles stated that in reality it isn't going to cost the municipality more money it is just going to shift the tax burden.

Article 19: \$1,000 – Groton Historical Society (GHS)

Miles inquired on what justified the change from \$850 to \$1,000. Pam reported that the GHS has been funded for a number of years at \$850 and members of the public felt that they should get the same as the Newfound Lakes Region Association (NLRA) was getting. They have also had increases for the costs related to the building. Miles was concerned that this amount is going to continue to increase each year. Pam said that it was unfair for anyone to make that assumption and that the GHS worked hard to keep their spending down and they are very conservative in the money that they have spent.

Deb inquired why two non-profits are listed as Warrant Articles and not part of the budget where the other non-profits are. Christina said that for her, these two articles have been a debate for the past few years so Christina felt that we should leave on the Warrant. The Board agreed that we should consider adding to the budget after this year's Town Meeting. Miles clarified that he feels that GHS does good work but he feels that this is the easy way out for non-profits to ask the Town for money.

Article 20: \$500 – Newfound Lake Region Association (NLRA)

Miles inquired on the amount of the actual request. The Board will verify.

Article 21: Contract with Hebron for Library Services - \$2,000

Sherri inquired on the recommendation of the Board of 0-3. Christina reported that for her, she felt that the Library Trustees have worked very hard for a solution, but was concerned with the resolution of only one Town Library for public use. She felt that the public previously was also concerned with this as the only option. Currently there are only 10 Library cards in Hebron for Groton members and if that number doesn't change, then the contract is for \$200 per person. Sherri was also concerned with just going with one Library especially with the Town being split. Kyle also felt that the 5 or 10 people that may use the Library makes this contract expensive. He feels that people aren't going to go to Hebron, they are going to go to Bristol or Plymouth. Personally, Kyle isn't sure if the Town of Groton needs a Library. Christina felt that it is the townspeople's decision and that is why it is on the Warrant. Ruth felt that money available for cards at the Library of your choosing would be better. Christina didn't want the Library Trustees to feel that the Board didn't support them, their recommendation was based upon not feeling that this was the best alternative and she recognizes how hard they have worked.

Article 22: Amend Spraying Ordinance

This Article pertains to amending the spraying on the side of the road power lines and not the overhead large towers. The electric company met with the Board to discuss the denial of the Board to spray. From that meeting, the Board agreed to consider an amendment. All of the herbicides and spraying information is located on the Town's website. The electric company felt that the individual property owners should be able to decide and not be restricted by the Town's vote.

Deb was concerned that if the Town allows this amendment, then the individual property owners may not have the ability to deny the spraying by the electric company, tree trimmers. The Board will check with the Town's Attorney.

Having no other business to conduct, Kyle motioned to adjourn at 8:55 pm, Christina 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christina Goodwin
Select Board Chair