

Town of Groton
Select Board Work Session Minutes
August 21, 2018

In attendance: John Rescigno, Kyle Andrews and Sara Smith (Administrative Assistant - AA)

John called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Police Coverage

We have received information from State Police, the Sheriff's Department and Hebron. We need to decide what we want to do for coverage.

Sara will post a part time position. In the meantime, we will have State Police patrol on Saturday afternoon. Sara will ask if we have to have a contract. Sara will let Hebron know that we are posting for the part time position. Pay will be \$22-\$25. Sara will reach out to Plymouth PD and let them know we are looking for a part time officer. Sara will update the posting and send it to the Newspaper this week.

Police Cruiser damage

Sara had reached out to Primex regarding the damage on the cruiser and it can be submitted for a claim but there is a \$1,000.00 deductible. It was agreed that the damage is not that much so it can stay as it is for now.

Building Permit

Deb Johnson had submitted her suggested changes for the building permit and Sara had sent them to the Select Board for review. Sara will resend to the Select Board and will put it back on the next agenda.

DPW building

Sara had reached out to the Morton building company to get a quote. The quote was for \$219,810.00 and is only for the building and not for site work, anything in it, etc. It was agreed that is not much of a savings so we should look at moving forward with the special town meeting. Sara will ask the attorney to put together a sample time line for the Select Board to review so we can decide when we should move forward.

Alan Barnard- perambulation

At the last Select Board meeting Miles brought up the perambulation and the last email from Alan Barnard regarding the perambulation which mentioned that he doesn't feel it is worth the effort to mark the Town line between Alexandria and Groton as it has been logged and there is not anything to mark. Alan mentioned someone can use the GPS coordinates and stated that he will donate the time he has spent working on the line and the money outstanding can be turned back to the Towns account. Miles felt a reimbursement was needed. The Select Board told Miles they would discuss it.

Sara researched this and the original estimate was \$7,250.00 and on that estimate it stated that it may be hard to blaze the line due to cuts that were being done. We pulled the payments we made to date

and it was only for the work that had been done so he had not yet been paid for the blazing of the line so no reimbursement to the Town is needed.

Ethier- paving

It was brought to the Town's attention that Mike Ethier did some paving on Sculptured Rocks Road. Although the Town appreciates that he did this at his own expense, paving of a Town road cannot be done without the Town's approval and this was not approved. Sara drafted a letter to Mike Ethier with assistance from the attorney. **John motioned to sign the letter to Mike Ethier, Kyle 2nd so voted.**

Fletcher Road

Sara sent a letter explaining the request to change the name of Fletcher Road to North Fletcher Road all those that own property on Fletcher Road. We have received one response back and it was a suggestion that by definition Fletcher Road is actually a Lane and they suggest because of the service given by Bonnie and her husband who was called Buddy, that it be renamed B and B Lane or Buddy Lane. It was agreed to wait the 30 days and see what the other residents come back with.

Internet at Town Garage

Bubba and Sara presented the numbers at the last meeting for internet and the lowest option is \$35.96/month. This would be \$432.00/year. The Select Board told Bubba they would discuss it at the next meeting and let him know. The Select Board is okay to move forward with it. Sara will reach out to them to set this up.

Fire Pond

Sara followed up with Bubba to see if he talked to Mike Ethier and Dave Leone about the Fire Pond. Mike and Dave told Bubba that they were waiting to hear from Roger. Sara will contact Roger and have him reach out to Dave and Mike. We need a plan to move forward with the easement.

Upcoming Meetings

We have work sessions scheduled for September 4th and September 18th. We need to have another Emergency Management Meeting. It was agreed the next Emergency Management meeting will be September 18th at 5:00pm. Sara will reach out to Patty Oakley to see if her or Bill are interested in being the Deputy Emergency Management Directors.

Also, Sara will be sending out budgets and asking for the departments to have their budgets back by September 27th. Due to this, in October we will start the budget meetings so we may need to have work sessions every week starting in October but we can see if it is needed. The Select Board meetings will still only be on the first and third Tuesdays of the month.

Having no other business to conduct, Kyle motioned to adjourn at 6:57pm, John 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Smith
Administrative Assistant