

TOWN OF GROTON
SELECT BOARD MEETING
April 3, 2018

In Attendance: Christina Goodwin, Kyle Andrews and Sara Smith (Administrative Assistant)

Absent: John Rescigno

Audience Members Present

Christina called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

MINUTE APPROVAL

Christina motioned to approve the Work Session minutes of March 20, 2018 as written, Kyle 2nd, so voted.

Christina motioned to approve the Non-Public Work Session minutes of March 20, 2018 as written, Kyle 2nd, so voted.

Christina motioned to approve the Select Board Meeting minutes of March 20, 2018 as written, Kyle 2nd, so voted.

PUBLIC HEARING RSA 74:10- REGARDING ONE'S LIABILITY TO BE TAXED:

Christina motioned to open the public hearing at 7:08pm, Kyle 2nd, so voted.

Christina explained that RSA 74:10 indicates, that Towns who use the inventory form, must hold a public hearing to discuss one's liability to be taxed, but there are no guidelines on discussion other than this. Christina asked if anyone had any questions or concerns regarding this.

Christina reminded everyone that the inventories are due April 15th.

Hearing no comments or questions, Kyle motioned to close the public hearing at 7:09pm, Christina 2nd, so voted.

OLD BUSINESS:

Town Meeting Updates

Christina provided the following updates from the Town Meeting:

- There was a concern brought up last meeting from Gary Easson regarding the pricing on the radios. He thought he could find them for a cheaper price to save the Town some money. The Select Board gave him until the end of that week to get them prices. Gary reached out and explained that couldn't find a better price so Roger has been advised to move forward with ordering through Ossipee Mountain.
- The Select Board met with the Contractor and Engineer for Atwell Orange Brook Bridge tonight. They signed all contracts and permits and the project is going to move forward. The deadline to complete the project is September 30th.

NEW BUSINESS:

Road Committee/Building Committee Appointments

Christina explained that the following are newly appointed members of the Road Committee and Building Committee.

The Road Committee appointments are Anne Joyce, Ruth Millett, Jeremy Haney, Tony Albert and Dan Tobine. **Kyle motioned to appoint Anne Joyce, Ruth Millett, Jeremy Haney, Tony Albert and Dan Tobine to the Road Committee, Christina 2nd, so voted.**

The Building Committee appointment is Miles Sinclair. **Christina motioned to appoint Miles Sinclair as a member of the building committee, Kyle 2nd, so voted.**

Elderly Exemption

The Town received one application for an elderly exemption for North Groton Road. It was explained that due to the income limits and there are Social Security and retirement/pension payments that put him over the income limit. Sara will send a denial letter explaining this and letting them know that if their circumstances change they can reapply. **Christina motioned to decline the elderly exemption for North Groton Road, Kyle 2nd, so voted.**

Intent to cut- Map 7 Lot 46

Robert Berti submitted an intent to cut for Map 7 Lot 46. This is for a cut of 150 acres on Victoria's Mountain Way for the 2018-2019 tax years. **Kyle motioned to sign the Intent to Cut for Map 7 Lot 46, Christina 2nd, so voted.**

SELECT BOARD ITEMS:

Permit to exceed

Gary Easson requested a two day permit to exceed for Bailey Hill Road for deliveries of stone to fix the portion on Bailey Hill Road that they are responsible for.

Bubba said it is too warm during the day right now and we are getting rain this week and he doesn't feel comfortable allowing this. The Select Board agreed that this week is too warm but if it changes next week and gets cold then Gary can check back with the Select Board next week. If it is approved we will use the same conditions we have with the other permits to exceed such as it has to be freezing overnight and moved before 8:00am. Sara will let Gary know.

DEPARTMENT ITEMS:

Police Updates

EJ informed everyone that he will be putting together a couple community related programs. One will be firearms and females. The other is going to be in May and he is hoping to put together a bicycle rodeo.

Highway Department Updates

Bubba informed everyone that they have been cleaning up the roads. They moved the jersey barriers from the park to the section on Sculptured Rocks Road by the Martell's. They have also done some work to River Road and North Groton Road. They will continue to work on the roads as they can.

Bubba is also checking to see when the state is removing the road bans. They have talked about moving them within the next 2-3 weeks.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Library

Elizabeth stated that they will be meeting with the Hebron Library Trustees on Monday, April 9, 2018. They also had the Friends of the library meeting last night and because of Groton helping they have increased the hours that the library is open to Monday from 4:00pm-7:00pm, Wednesday still 1:00pm-5:00pm and Saturday 9:00am-1:00pm.

Elizabeth also mentioned that library printer died but HP is sending a new one and it should be here by the end of the week.

Road Committee

Christina explained that the Road Committee met last week and had a great discussion over the North Groton Road project. They are meeting tomorrow to fine tune the recommendation to Select Board. Some other things they are working on are road tracking, driveway permits, the bid document, etc. Christina also wants to revisit changing the yield sign to a stop sign on Sculptured Rocks Road but they will need more information.

Having no other business to conduct, Kyle motioned to adjourn at 7:30pm, Christina 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Smith
Administrative Assistant