

Town of Groton
Select Board Work Session Minutes
April 9, 2019

In attendance: John Rescigno, Ron Madan, Tony Albert and Sara Smith (Administrative Assistant - AA)

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

Select Board Checklist

Sara printed the Select Board checklist and the Select Board walked through the list to make sure no changes needed to be made.

Board and Committee Assignments

The Select Board went over the assignments as follows:

- Conservation Commission: There isn't a need for this
- Old Home Day Committee: John and Ron
- Highway Safety Committee/Road Committee: Tony
- Planning Board Liaison: John
- Select Board Chair: John

John motioned to accept all of the Board and Committee Assignments, Ron 2nd, so voted.

Town Meeting items

Police

We have the list of people that were interested in being on a board to decide what is in the best interest of the Town as far as a Police Department goes. The people on that list are: Helen Martynzyn, Frank Harris, Nick Blodgett, Norm Willey, and Jeremy Elder. The ones that we were not sure of are Jim Joyce, Miles Sinclair, Bill Jolly, and the County Sheriff Jeff Stiegler.

We need to set up a date to have a meeting to get this process started. Sara also explained that we have had someone drop off a resume which is in the manila folder on the front desk. It was agreed to see if everyone on the list would be able to meet April 16, 2019 at 6:00pm. Sara will reach out to those on the list.

Recycling

Sara reached out to Waste Management. Cyndie informed Sara that the Town is now currently on a month to month temporary account which is good for now. She checked with Operations to see how much gets recycled and let us know that the containers are not being recycled. One reason is because they are getting wet so she looked into the option of commercial containers but found out this is not an option right now for Groton.

Sara will reach out to Waste Management with the following questions:

- They mentioned that they do not offer commercial service in Groton. Can they explain why?
- Is there a way to set the closed box and if so, what is the cost? Would this guarantee that it will be recycled?
- All along we have been being charged as if it was being recycled and it wasn't. What is the price difference between recycling and regular? We thought recycling was more expensive per ton but they mentioned that the price would go up since it is not being recycled. We currently use Casella for regular trash and Waste Management for recycling so we are trying to figure out our best options.

Sara will also reach out to Casella and ask if they really do recycle and what the cost is. She will also will ask if it is an option to have them come more often and what the charge would be.

The Select Board agreed that this is where we could start to get more information before we decide to stop recycling all together.

John motioned to go into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a) at 6:05pm, Ron 2nd, so voted.

John motioned to return to public session at 6:20pm, Ron 2nd, so voted.

John motioned to seal the non-public minutes, Ron 2nd, so voted.

Driveway permit adoption

The Select Board reviewed the updated driveway permit at the last meeting and were good to move forward with this. Sara created one with the adoption date on them. **John motioned to adopt the updated driveway permit application and checklist, Ron 2nd, so voted.**

Think about scheduling the TBD Items

The following are items that we put off until after Town Meeting that we need to thing about scheduling meetings for.

- Transfer Stations Operations Plan (after Town Meeting once recycling is decided on); since we are still working on the recycling it was agreed to hold off until that is decided
- Building permit changes- after Town Meeting vote; Sara made copies of the new building permit, the old permit, the release form and the emails Deb sent about the changes for the Select Board to review to be prepared to discuss at the next meeting.
- Mapping issue- the Select Board reviewed the perambulations and everything that was looked at shows the notch and with the windfarms survey the Select Board agreed that the notch does exist and should be there so it will remain as is.

Having no other business to conduct, Ron motioned to adjourn at 6:55pm, John 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Smith
Administrative Assistant