

TOWN OF GROTON
SELECT BOARD MEETING
October 1, 2019

In Attendance: John Rescigno, Tony Albert and Sara Smith (Administrative Assistant)

Absent: Ron Madan

Audience Members Present

John called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

MINUTE APPROVAL

John motioned to approve the Work Session Meeting minutes of September 17, 2019 as written, Tony 2nd, so voted.

John motioned to approve the Non-Public Work Session Meeting minutes of September 17, 2019 as written, Tony 2nd, so voted.

John motioned to approve the Select Board Meeting minutes of September 17, 2019 as written, Tony 2nd, so voted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Wex- Notice of Federal Tax Exemption Expiration/Certificate of Buyer

Each year Wex sends the notice of federal tax exemption expiration along with a new certificate to sign. **John motioned to sign the Wex certificate of buyer, Tony 2nd, so voted.**

Local Septic Approval- Map 5 Lot 26-1

Daniel Ward dropped off a Septic Plan and local approval for Map 5 Lot 26-1. All the information is correct.

John motioned to sign the local approval for Map 5 Lot 26-1, Tony 2nd, so voted.

Building Permit Map 1 Lot 53-1

The owner submitted a building permit for a 10x20 shed. This will not be heated or cooled. **John motioned to sign the building permit for Map 1 Lot 53-1, Tony 2nd, so voted.**

Stream Restoration Conference

The Town received an email about a conference on stream restoration on October 17th, 2019 from 8:00am-4:00pm at Gunstock Mountain Resort. Sara was wondering who should attend and who she should sign up for this. Slim was in attendance and it was agreed that Slim will attend and can report what he finds back to the Select Board. Sara will sign him up.

7 Patterson Lane

The Town received a call that lumber was delivered and construction was taking place at 7 Patterson Lane. There is no building permit on file. **John motioned to sign the letter requesting a building permit be submitted or clarification be provided, Tony 2nd so voted.**

Temporary road, landing and skid trail use agreement

In December 2018, Bob Berti met with the Select Board and entered into an agreement for Green Acre Woodlands, Inc. to temporarily use Tax Map 10, Lot 40 to remove forest products from their property (Tax Map 10, Lot 42) until March 31, 2019. They were unable to complete the timber sale this past winter. Bob

would like to enter into another temporary use agreement with the Town of Groton until March 31, 2021. Green Acre Woodlands sent a revised agreement for review and signature. If the Board would like to meet with Bob to discuss the agreement, we can let him know. **John motioned to sign the Temporary road, landing and skid trail use agreement with Green Acre Woodlands, Tony 2nd, so voted.**

Amended Local Septic Plan Approval, Map 1 Lot 13-1

Eleanor Myles dropped off an amended Septic Plan and local approval for Map 1 Lot 13-1. It is just a change to the location. All the information is correct. **John motioned to sign the amended local approval for Map 1 Lot 13-1 & 2, Tony 2nd, so voted.**

NH Police Standards and Training Forms (A&I)

The Grafton County Sheriff's Department completed a background check on the potential hire. The Select Board will review this. In the meantime, there are two forms that need to be sent in to New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council, which are the Employee Status Notification Form "A" and the Council Form "I", the Affidavit of background investigation. **John motioned to sign both Form "A" and Form "I", Tony 2nd, so voted.**

HealthTrust- Secure Member Portal

HealthTrust sent a secure member portal authorized users certification form for the Select Board to sign. Sara Smith is the only one that uses this portal. **John motioned to sign the secure member portal authorized user's certification form, Tony 2nd, so voted.**

Intent to cut- Map 10 Lot 42

The Town received an Intent to Cut for Map 10 Lot 42 for a 40-acre cut. There are no taxes owed on the property so a bond was not required and all information on the intent is correct. **John motioned to sign the Intent to Cut for Map 10 Lot 42, Tony 2nd, so voted.**

SELECT BOARD ITEMS:

Amended Local Septic Plan Approval, Map 1 Lot 51

Matt Barnard dropped off an amended Septic Plan and local approval for Map 1 Lot 51. It is just a change to the location. All the information is correct. **John motioned to sign the amended local approval for Map 1 Lot 51, Tony 2nd, so voted.**

Trick Or Treating

Halloween is Thursday, October 31st. It was agreed the trick or treating hours should be 5:00pm-8:00pm. Sara will post this online.

DEPARTMENT ITEMS:

Highway Department

Bubba went over the following items regarding the Highway Department:

- They are still getting plows and sanders ready for winter and have ordered sand.
- Bryant Paving paved the reclaimed section on Sculptured Rocks Road. The top coat will be finished next year.
- Edgar Albert Road had work done and was brought back to pre-storm conditions.
- Sara and Bubba met with FEMA today. They visited all roads that were damaged in the July storm with FEMA and HSEM.

COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Road Committee

The Road Committee will be meeting again on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 6:00pm.

Building Committee

The Building Committee will be meeting again on Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 6:00pm.

Conservation Committee

The Conservation Committee is hosting another road clean up on Saturday, October 5, 2019 and will be meeting at 10:00am at the Town House. They will provide drinks and the bread for sandwiches. If you attend and would like a certain type of lunch meat please bring it. Sara will put this online.

Slim asked how serious the Select Board is about separating the cans during the clean up because it would make it harder on those cleaning up. The Select Board agreed that since the ones on the side of the road are dirty, filled with water and not clean out that they do not need to separate these.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

Current Use

Slim mentioned that there are new code changes for current use. He will give Sara a copy of what he has. Sara can also look these up.

Utility Company

Slim said that when he got his electric bill it mentioned the utility changes with the utility companies. He asked if the Town is going to have to pay a lot of money. It was explained that there were abatements that were submitted and approved for the utility companies.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Smith
Administrative Assistant