TOWN OF GROTON SELECT BOARD MEETING December 5, 2023

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

Audience Members Present

John called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

MINUTE APPROVAL

John motioned to approve the Work Session Meeting minutes of November 21, 2023 as written, Ron 2nd, so voted.

John motioned to approve the Non-Public Work Session Meeting minutes of November 21, 2023 as written, Ron 2nd, so voted.

John motioned to approve the Select Board Meeting minutes of November 21, 2023 as written, Ron 2nd, so voted.

John motioned to approve the Work Session Meeting minutes of November 30, 2023 as written, Ron 2nd, so voted.

NEW BUSINESS:

Abatement Request Map 6 Lot 2-2

The resident requested an abatement for the inventory penalty for Map 6 Lot 2-2. They emailed the request and the Select Board reviewed this. John motioned to approve and sign the abatement request for Map 6 Lot 2-2, Ron 2nd, so voted.

Release of Municipal Liability Map 1 Lot 13-1

The Select Board approved a building permit in October contingent ono them signing a release form. They have since come in to sign the release form and paid the recording fee. John motioned to release of Municipal Liability for Map 1 Lot 13-1, Ron 2nd, so voted.

2023 Equalization Municipal Assessment Data Certificate

The Department of Revenue Administration sent in the yearly equalization municipal assessment data certificate to be signed by the Select Board. The Equalization Ratio is where the assessments fall during the year. The State will review the information submitted, which will be reviewed by the State Department of Revenue. The Certificate is what the Town needs to submit to release the information to the State. Avitar does the work for us, sends us the form and once we send it back, they release the information to the Department of Revenue. John motioned to sign the 2023 Equalization Municipal Assessment Data Certificate, Ron 2nd, so voted.

Building Permit- Map 5 Lot 148

The owner submitted a building permit for their property at 40 Sculptured Rocks Road for a 16x27 roof over saw mill which is open on all sides, no walls, no floors, no electric or water. John motioned to sign the building permit for Map 5 Lot 148, Ron 2nd, so voted.

Intent to Cut- Map 1 Lot 29

The logger emailed in an intent to cut for Map 1 Lot 29 for a 20+/- acre cut. All the information is correct and no bond is required. John motioned to sign the intent to cut for Map 1 Lot 29, Ron 2nd, so voted.

SELECT BOARD ITEMS:

Building Permits

John wanted to remind everyone that that anything over 100 square feet, regardless of what you are building or having delivered, does require a building permit.

SAU 4

John stated that he was informed that SAU 4 was hit with a cyberattack with ransomware. From his understanding they didn't have backups for the information.

DEPARTMENT ITEMS:

Police Department Chief Bagan reported that all is good on his end.

Highway Department Bubba said they have been busy plowing.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Having no other business to conduct, John motioned to adjourn at 7:09pm, Ron 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sara Smith Administrative Assistant