

**TOWN OF GROTON
SELECT BOARD MEETING
October 11, 2011
7:00 PM**

In Attendance: Miles Sinclair, Ron Madan, Kyle Andrews, Pamela Hamel (Administrative Assistant)

Audience Members Present

Miles called the meeting to order at 7:11pm.

Miles motioned to approve the minutes of October 4 as written, Ron 2nd, so voted.

Merelise O'Conner, Local Government Center (LGC) Deputy Director for Member Services addressed the Board. She gave an update on the investigation of LGC that is currently being conducted by the Attorney General's office. Hearings have recently begun and the LGC is pleased to have the opportunity to explain their position and provide answers to the Attorney General's allegations. The Secretary of State has appointed a hearings officer who has brought a level of order to the process.

Ms. O'Connor thanked the Board for the letter they sent to Senator Forrester with the recommendation that this issue be addressed in the appropriate setting and a decision rendered by an impartial person, hearings officer or otherwise.

UPDATES

October 11 Appointment with FEMA

Ron gave an update on the inspection conducted by two FEMA representatives of damage done by Hurricane Irene. They looked at all the damage along Sculptured Rocks Road and Province Road, as well as a few locations on North Groton Road. They stressed the importance of submitting all expenses including administrative costs. The Road agent has some research to do regarding equipment rentals, man power, materials, etc. The inspection took about 5.5 hours.

Boat Storage Facility

In a phone conversation Mr. Sewall had reported that one boat, one sail boat, and some parts and junk remain on the Sewall/Friend property, and the road has not yet been repaired. The Board will do a site visit next Thursday at 3:00pm. Pam will verify with Mr. Sewall that this is okay. The Board feels that the owners have made a good faith effort to clean the property.

Groton Wind

Iberdrola has submitted official notification to the Town of an anticipated start date of the week of October 24 for construction of the wind farm. Pursuant to their Agreement with the Town they have provided contact information for anyone who needs to speak to a company representative during the construction phase.

October 25 Select Board Meeting

Miles announced that he will not be able to attend the Select Board meeting scheduled for October 25.

OLD BUSINESS

Junkyard Violation

The Board has heard back from Attorney Spector that Mr. Kirk is willing to make a good faith effort at mediation. If Ms. Spector recommends having the meeting here in order to facilitate a possible site visit then the Board is in agreement. They chose Tuesday, November 1 or 8 as possible meeting dates. Due to his work schedule Kyle requested that the meeting take place after 2 pm or, if that is not possible, then after 12 pm.

Letter of Concurrence/Hanover Police and Fire FCC License Modification

Ossipee Mountain Electronics does not feel that the Board should be concerned about experiencing any radio interference from the Hanover Police or Fire radios, and in the unlikely event that this should happen, they can be assured that the Communications Director for Hanover who is requesting the letter of concurrence, Doug Hackett, will take whatever steps are necessary to fix things as he is a man of his word. Based upon this information, **Kyle motioned to sign the Letter of Concurrence, Ron 2nd, so voted.**

Structure Guarantee for Decommissioning

The revised Structured Guarantee document arrived today. **Miles motioned to table this in order to have a chance to read it and compare it to their draft to verify that it is the same, Kyle 2nd, so voted.**

Boiler Servicing

The Board is concerned that the main circulator for the boiler needs to be replaced. They agreed that if the boiler received an annual cleaning last year then they would like a service call done as soon as possible for the repair only. If the annual servicing is needed they would like to combine the two jobs.

Tenney Mtn. Tower/Spectacle Pond Dike Project

Kyle reported that because he was going to have to cancel the October 15 hike to the Tenney Tower he made the hike yesterday. However, he was unable to locate the cell tower. He noted that there are a number of washed out roads on the mountain. The Board rescheduled the site visit to the Tenney Tower and the Spectacle Pond Dike Project area for Saturday, October 22 at 9:00am.

Orange Road

Kyle reported that he drove out on Orange Road to look at the water bar. He was able to pass over it with his small pickup. He believes the water bar needs to be at its current depth in order to sufficiently handle the amount of water that passes. Ron agreed. They do not believe that any action needs to take place. Miles had recused himself from this subject due to his involvement with the snowmobile club.

Shampoo Carpet

Carpet shampooing has been postponed until next week. Marina Chase will contact Betty Smolinsky to confirm.

NEW BUSINESS

New Hampshire Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement

The Town already belongs to the New Hampshire Public Works Mutual Aid Program. **Kyle motioned to sign the New Hampshire Public Works Mutual Aid Agreement, Ron 2nd, so voted.**

McGlaufflin Group Auctioneers

The McGlaufflin Group Auctioneers would like the opportunity to discuss how they can assist the Town with selling tax deeded properties. The Board agreed to invite them to speak at a Select Board meeting.

Septic Plans for Bradley K Parker Revocable Trust, Map 5 Lot 43, Beaver Pond Road

Kyle motioned to sign the septic plans, Miles 2nd, so voted.

Perambulation

Miles asked the Board members to consider perambulating the Plymouth/Groton property line. It is the line most recently done (late 90s) and would be the easiest to do as they have all the documentation. He believes it would be a good starting place. The Town established a Perambulation Non-Capital Reserve Fund a few years ago to accomplish this. If the Board is considering doing this next year they must send notice to the other municipality. **Miles motioned to send a letter to the town of Plymouth notifying them that they would like to perambulate the Groton/Plymouth line next year pursuant to the statutory process, Kyle 2nd, so voted**

Soccer Nets

The Board agreed that the soccer nets would be taken down around November 1.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Pam Yinger thanked Kyle for assisting the Groton Historical Society in putting up pictures in the Hall.

Ron announced that the Highway Department has repaired the problem area in front of the Hutchins home on Sculptured Rocks Road.

Miles motioned to go into non public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (b) at 8:37 pm, Ron 2nd, so voted.

Miles motioned to return to public session at 9:05pm, Ron 2nd, so voted.

Kyle motioned to adjourn at 9:06pm, Ron 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted
Pamela Hamel
Administrative Assistant