TOWN OF GROTON SELECT BOARD MEETING February 5, 2013

In Attendance: Christina Goodwin, Kyle Andrews, Miles Sinclair, Pamela Hamel (Administrative Assistant)

Audience Members Present

Christina called the meeting to order at 7:51pm.

Christina motioned to approve the minutes of January 29 as written, Miles 2nd, so voted.

UPDATES

Meeting with the Department of Transportation (DOT)

Miles reported that he met with Bob Berti, Alan Barnard, Glen Hansen and a DOT representative last Friday. It was determined that the Town may be able to use an access way just downhill from the current entrance. Profiling will be done by Alan Barnard to determine the amount of excavation needed to achieve the correct sight distance.

Meeting with Alexandria, Grafton and Danbury Select Boards

The Board reported that there was a good turnout for this joint meeting. Miles stated that he feels the other Boards benefited from the experiences that this Board went through.

OLD BUSINESS

Town Meeting Snow Date

Snow date will be on Saturday, March 23 at 9:00am.

Groton Historical Society (GHS) Request to use Hall

The Board granted permission to the Groton Historical Society to use the Hall on Saturday, April 6 to host a program about the history of New Hampshire wildlife. The speaker is David Falkenham of the UNH Extension Service.

Groton Wind Payments During Facility Testing

Although there is no language in the Town's agreements with Groton Wind, LLC regarding payments during the facility 'testing' period, Groton Wind has agreed to donate two payments of \$5,000 each (one in 2013, the other in 2014) to the Town. The Board asked the audience for suggestions for earmarking these funds. James Joyce suggested using some funds to install permanent power at the playground. The Board will get a quote for this and continue to look for/solicit suggestions.

Groton Wind Hearing

For the upcoming hearing, the Board agreed that Miles, although planning to attend the meeting primarily in an observatory capacity, will represent them regarding issues that he knows their stand on and bring back any other issues for their review/comment. The meeting takes place in Concord on February 19 at 10am.

NEW BUSINESS

Petitioned Warrant Articles

The Board will get the Town attorney's opinion regarding whether or not the two petitioned warrant articles recently received would be:

- Advisory
- Legal

COMMITTEE UPDATES

The Road committee will meet on February 13 at 6:30pm at the Town House.

The Library Trustees will meet on February 20 at 5:30pm at the Town House.

OTHER BUSINESS

Helen Santoro expressed her concern regarding the erosion at the culvert which passes under the road near the North Groton Cemetery. The Board will bring this to the Road Agent's attention.

Kyle motioned to adjourn at 8:19pm, Christina 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted, Pamela Hamel