# TOWN OF GROTON SELECT BOARD MEETING April 16, 2013

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

**Absent: Kyle Andrews** 

**Audience Members Present** 

Christina called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

### MINUTE APPROVAL

Christina motioned to approve the minutes of April 9 as written, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

## Newfound Area School Board (NASB)

The NASB is forming a committee to study the feasibility and suitability for Danbury to withdraw from the district. They are asking for one Select Board member to be appointed to the committee as well as a Board member to serve as alternate. Christina will attend the May 20 organizational meeting as Groton's representative. She said she will probably have some scheduling conflicts in the future at which time either Kyle or Miles will fill in.

#### Hebron Fire/EMS Contract

Christina motioned to sign the Hebron Fire/EMS contract, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted. Kyle had contacted Pam earlier today and stated that he would come in to the office to sign the contract.

### Fireproof Filing Cabinets

Miles cannot recall the name of the individual who had spoken to him at Town Meeting regarding the used fireproof file cabinets. The Board is asking that this person please contact the office. Pam will check the supervisor's checklist for possible names.

### Conservation Commission/Select Board Liaison

Although State Statute does not address a Select Board member serving on the Conservation Commission, the Local Government Center does not recommend that a Board member be a voting member of the Conservation Commission as the Select Board is the appointing authority and this could represent a conflict of interest. Miles is willing to serve on the Commission as a non-voting liaison.

# Junkyard Enforcement

The Board reviewed a list of properties for the Junkyard Dog to visit during his first inspection.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### Nancy Watson

Mark Watson reported that Ms. Watson was unable to attend this evening's meeting. In addition, the

Watsons are considering meeting with Planning Board before speaking with the Select Board. They will contact the office when/if they want to be put back on the agenda.

Life & Short Term Disability Insurance Waiting Period

The Board chose a 60 day eligibility waiting period for the employee Life & Short Term Disability benefits. This is consistent with the waiting period for employee Medical benefits.

**Elderly Exemption Application** 

Christina motioned to approve the elderly exemption, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.

Veteran's Credit Applications

Christina motioned to sign both Veteran's Credit applications, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.

**Transportation Central** 

Christina reported on a new program called Transportation Central which will provide transportation services to medical facilities and essential appointments for seniors and the disabled. They are creating a pool of volunteer drivers who have passed a criminal and driving records check to serve in this capacity. Volunteers will use their own vehicles and will be reimbursed at 55.5 cents per mile. Transportation Central serves 19 communities. Interested parties should contact them at 855-654-3200 or the Select Board's office for additional information.

### **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

Joe Koslow reported that he has received a new sign for the Transfer Station which includes hours of operation, etc. This week the Board will take a look at it and the plans for where it will be posted.

Christina reported that the Library Trustees will be submitting a new ad for a Library Assistant.

Miles motioned to adjourn at 7:42pm, Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted,

Respectfully Submitted, Pamela Hamel