

**TOWN OF GROTON
SELECT BOARD MEETING
September 17, 2013**

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

Audience Members Present

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

MINUTE APPROVAL

Christina motioned to approve the minutes of September 10 as written, Kyle 2nd, so voted.

UPDATES

Christina gave a brief update on the DHART training dealing with setting up a landing zone for the helicopter, etc.

OLD BUSINESS

Fitzpatrick Building Permit Violation

Christina motioned to sign the Fitzpatrick violation letter, Miles 2nd so voted.

Letter to Maxam

Kyle motioned to sign the letter to Maxam, Christina 2nd, so voted. The letter is in regards to the culvert near the intersection of Hardy Country Road and Sculptured Rocks Road and the need to reseed the discontinued portion of the former Y intersection.

Construction and Debris (C & D) and Electronics Disposal

The Board reviewed C & D fee schedules from the Towns of Bristol and Holderness. They discussed who would be allowed to dump, payment arrangements, the attendants' use of discretion when determining charges for partial loads, etc. Contractors will not be allowed to dump even if the contracted job is in Groton, only private property owners. All construction debris must be generated in the Town of Groton. The Board asked Pam to draft a sample policy for their review.

The Towns of Rumney and Bristol are not able to take electronics from Groton residents. Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRA) recommends that the Town offer a once a year pick up that is similar to the Household Hazardous Waste pick up. NRRA sets up at a location designated by the Town and they handle everything. Residents pay a fee for the items they drop off. Pam reported that NRRA is putting together a packet for the Board's review.

Town House and Park Signs

The Board reviewed the sign designs submitted by Laconia Monument. The park sign design will be the same as the sample but with different stone dimensions. The Board chose to remain with the original design/size for the Town House sign with notched posts (no brackets). The Town will be responsible to pour footings for both. They asked Pam to research the minimum delivery amount for a concrete truck to

pour footings at both locations. In order to save money and due to the lateness of the season the Board will get pricing for ordering/purchasing the stone over the winter (allows for better pricing on the stone) for spring installation.

RSA 195 Committee

Christina reported that the RSA 195 Committee has a meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 15 to review the final draft report intended to be submitted to the Department of Education with regard to the study of the Danbury school leaving the district. Christina contacted Vincent Migliore to let him know that she has a Board meeting that night. She has asked for digital copy of the report which the Board will review. If they have no concerns she would prefer to not attend the meeting unless she is needed for a quorum.

NEW BUSINESS

Bixby Junkyard License Renewal

Miles motioned to approve the Bixby Junkyard License renewal, Christina 2nd, so voted.

Junkyard Appointment Letters

Christina motioned to sign the Junkyard appointment letters, Kyle 2nd, so voted. Ken Knowlton will conduct inspections on September 30.

North Groton Road Reconstruction Change Order

Christina motioned to sign the change order for Dana White regarding the road reconstruction project, Kyle 2nd so voted. The contractor was supposed to mill the keyway to the adjacent surfaces to enable a smooth transition until the next area is reconstructed. This step was forgotten which resulted in a \$400 reduction.

Fireproof File Cabinet

The Board reviewed the quotes for the fireproof file cabinet and possible locations for installation. They will purchase the larger file and have it placed temporarily in the Meeting Hall.

OTHER BUSINESS

Christina announced the locations for the Northern Pass scoping hearings. Mark Watson submitted some flyers that will be left on table in the foyer.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Road Committee

Christina will schedule a meeting with the Road Committee to discuss moving forward with road reconstruction projects and recommendations for Warrant Articles for the Town Meeting.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Marina Chase reported that the NHEC recently took care of a tree that had caused a disruption of services when it snapped and damaged wires on Edgar Albert Road. Whoever did the work left a number of cut logs and brush in the ditch hindering the flow of water and plugging a culvert. The Board explained that

the wood belongs to the property owner thus the company cannot take it. However, they should not be leaving it in an area that will cause additional issues. They asked Pam to contact NHEC to find out who is now responsible to clean the ditch. This is the Town's right of way but neither the property owner nor natural disaster caused this.

Christina motioned to go into non public session at 8:30 pm pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a), Miles 2nd, so voted.

Christina motioned to return to public session at 9:00 pm, Miles 2nd, so voted.

Miles motioned to adjourn at 9:01 pm, Kyle 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Hamel