

**TOWN OF GROTON  
SELECT BOARD MEETING  
January 28, 2014**

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

**Audience Members Present**

Christina called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.

**MINUTE APPROVAL**

**Christina motioned to approve the minutes of January 14 as written, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

Rumney Fire Contract Proposal

Chief Roger Thompson updated the Board with the status of other potential coverage. He stated that Wentworth will not be part of Groton's fire protection equation. He also stated that the Hebron Select Board is okay with coverage of the whole Town but wants to meet with the Groton Board to discuss. The Board asked Pam to contact Hebron.

**Miles motioned to table the Rumney Fire Contract until after meeting with the Hebron Select Board, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Proposed Legislation

The Board reviewed their letters of response to proposed legislation that they discussed two (2) weeks ago. **Kyle motioned to sign the letters to our Senator and local Representatives, Christina 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Property Liability Trust Cancellation Form

**Christina motioned to sign the Property/Liability Trust and Workers' Compensation cancellation form, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

Sharon Nelson

As the Town's elected representative to the School Budget Committee, Sharon Nelson explained a portion of the proposed teacher's contract and other budget items that voters will have an opportunity to discuss and vote on at the deliberative session on Saturday, February 1.

Groton Wind Agreement

One of the challenges brought before the Site Evaluation Committee deals with the maintenance of the Groton Wind Farm roads during the winter months. Iberdrola has looked at options and safety issues, and determined that providing access via all-terrain vehicles, snowcats, etc. during the winter months is the best viable option. The Board had agreed that they were willing to revisit the original agreement and this

amended language is the result. The Board requested clarification on one paragraph and some language additions. Groton Wind Plant Manager Ryan Haley will provide them with a revised copy and clarification. The Board will then forward the revised copy to the Town's attorney for review and comment.

#### Lot Mergers and Un-Mergers Webinar

The Select Board's office will be closed on Wednesday, February 12 from noon to 1pm for a webinar.

#### North Country Council (NCC) Transit Plan Survey

The Board discussed this online survey and whether or not it pertained to Groton. They will attempt to look at the survey during a work session. Sharon Nelson announced that the NCC is holding a meeting on the Transit Plan in Plymouth on January 29.

#### Timber Yield Tax for Nevers, Map 1 Lot 31

**Christina motioned to sign the Timber Yield Tax for Nevers, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

#### Land Use Change Tax Warrant for Gannon, Map 2 Lot 68

**Miles motioned to sign the Land Use Change Tax Warrant for Gannon, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

#### Septic Plans for Belanger, Map 1 Lot 48-9

**Christina motioned to sign the septic plans for Belanger, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

#### House Bill 1573-FN

HB 1573-FN is a proposal to eliminate regional planning commissions. The Board will forward this to the Planning Board for their review and comment.

**Christina motioned to go into non public session pursuant to RSA 91:A-3 II (b) at 8:14pm, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**Kyle motioned to return to public session at 9:33 pm, Miles 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**Miles motioned to adjourn at 9:34 pm, Kyle 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pamela Hamel  
Administrative Assistant