

Town of Groton  
Select Board Work Session Minutes  
August 6, 2024

**In attendance: Tony Albert, Ron Madan and Sara Smith (Town Administrator)**

**Absent: John Rescigno**

**Tony called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.**

**Tony motioned to go into non-public session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (c) at 6:00pm, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**Tony motioned to return to public session at 6:10pm, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

**Tony motioned to seal the non-public minutes, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

***Memo to Transfer Funds from Town House CRF to MVSB***

Sara drafted a memo requesting the Trustees of the Trust Funds to transfer \$16,000.00 from the Town House Capital Reserve Fund to the Meredith Village Savings Bank Account. She also included the quote that this will cover to repair the rotting siding, rotting window sills, the back emergency door and frame and for the overhang.

**Tony motioned to sign the memo to transfer funds, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

***Audreys email***

Sara asked Tony if he saw the email from Audrey. Audrey stated that although the Health Officer may enforce the provisions of the State minimum housing standards, that is only authorized for rental dwellings, which is not the case here. A homeowner is "king of their castle", and the only provisions she is aware of are for the wellbeing of either children, or the elderly. Those individuals are protected only through DCYF, although a local health officer or building inspector/fire inspector can play a supporting role. Her suggestion here, if possible, is to touch base with any other town residents who may know of the situation in the home (teacher, clergy, etc.) and attempt to discern whether intervention might be needed. If that looks like it might be the case, the local DCYF representative can be contacted for a conversation but it's always difficult to decide whether to take some action.

Tony said he has not heard any complaints or concerns from anyone else. It was agreed to wait and see if someone complains or if anything else happens.

***Meeting with Bubba:***

The Select Board met with Bubba and went over the following items:

- Morrison has started back on North Groton Road to work on the FEMA project repairs for the storm damages from the December 2022 storm.
- Bubba is going to call John Ziembra to see if he is still okay with the work on River Road because Morrisons will want to start that in the next week or so.
- Chip sealing is tentatively scheduled to start August 21<sup>st</sup>.
- They are 80%-90% complete with the roadside mowing. River Road is almost done so Bubba is hoping that they will finish that this week.
- There will be an invoice from Viking-Cives for work that is being done.
- They couldn't get the big truck air bag to work off the switch. They had tried to get it working but it was turning into a nightmare. They just put in an air chuck which seemed more feasible.
- He took the EOC test for the IS-700 and he passed but he couldn't print the certificate. He is going to have Sara look at it with him.

**Having no other business to conduct, Tony motioned to adjourn at 6:52pm, Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>, so voted.**

Respectfully submitted,

Sara Smith  
Town Administrator