

# **GRANVILLE SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2014**

**Approved**

**Public: Cheryl Sargeant Selectboard Chair, Michele Brown-  
Selectboard, Victoria Crowne Selectboard, Charlie Needham- Road  
Commissioner, Mark Belisle- Constable, Roger Stauss- Granville  
Conservation Commission, Danial Sargeant-GFVD Chief, Gene and  
Jackie Hammond, Robin Hagerman**

## **Hear any Public Comments and Communications:**

**For the record:** Roger Stauss wanted to clarify that his intent was NOT to eliminate the GVFD. He was just looking into how to decrease his own property taxes. He was surveying options; One option was to save taxpayers dollars and how to make our emergency services the most efficient, reliable and sustainable they can be. They are thinking how to raise public confidence as well as doing a feasibility study per se. A voluntary board was formed by, Roger Stauss, Robin Hagerman, Norm Arseneault and Vivian Branchovsky to research how operations and the like could be done most efficiently. They wanted to review and possibly revise the contract when it comes due next year.

**Victoria Crowne**-updated the board regarding the insurance increases that were proposed by VLCT – VLCT has not gotten back to her and she feels we need to shop around for better insurance.

## **Old Business**

**Discuss Town Highways & Work on Bagley Legal Trail**-The culverts were finished on West Hill. Mac McGuffin did a great job!

**Charlie Needham** just wanted to remind us the cost might be more because of the increase in culvert size.

**The Grading** couldn't be done since our last meeting because of the rain and now it is getting cold out.

**Brush debris in ditches**- it is not good enough for firewood but needs to be removed before the snow comes. Charlie Needham suggested to see if Ken Beattie can do it with his equipment.

The gravel was put down at the culvert on North Hollow by ECS. We still haven't paid ECS because we haven't received the receipt for the extra concrete from Carrera's.

**The Bagley Legal Trail** -was cleaned up by Sean Linskey, GMVS students and RASTA members. The Town of Granville would like to thank them for opening up that trail again.

**Gravel Budget**-Charlie Needham wanted to remind the board we need to increase our gravel budget for next year, possibly 2-3 times as much.

**Discuss Tri-Town EMS Meeting (Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> in Hancock @ 6:30 p.m.)**- It is regarding First Response for the three towns and what that would look like. Danial Sargeant is trying to work on getting our current radio system to be able to dispatch WRVA personnel to this side of the mountain.

Mark Belisle- building maintenance- reports that bulk head was done by Red Rock construction and looks great.

### **Financial Management**

**Approve Selectmen's Orders- Cheryl Sargeant moved to remove the payment to Mascoma Bank for now because it is due 12/31/2014. This would lower the second order to \$10,543.18**

**Michele Brown 2<sup>nd</sup> All in favor**

**Update on Annual Audit & Report**- Sullivan and powers sent us an invoice for \$1,490 for their auditing services and gave us a credit for \$3481. In turn they sent us a contract for the GVFD portion of the audit but the rate is pending. **Victoria Crowne moved to table until next meeting. Cheryl Sargeant 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.**

**Financial Reports & Budget for Annual Town Report- in process. WRVA Budget for 2015/2016-** WRVA is working on their budget. The per capita is going down for Granville.

**Discuss Annual Town Report Work Session Schedule-** November 17, December 1<sup>st</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup>. To be held immediately following our selectboard meetings.

**Appoint Conservation Commission Member for 3 -year term-** Mark Belisle has volunteered. **Michele Brown moved to approve Mark Belisle as such. Victoria Crowne 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.**

### **New Business**

**VT-ALERT System Notifications**-Rob Schell is coming down from the state to review the VT-Alert for our next meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup> 2014.

**Bid for Sidewalk clearing-** John Lambert with Red Rock construction was the only bid. **Victoria Crowne Moved to approve John Lambert and Cheryl Sargeant 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.**

**Approve Meeting Minutes-** Michele Brown moved to approve as written. Cheryl Sargent 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor

**Move to adjourn –Michele Brown moved to adjourn. Victoria Crowne 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor.**

**Respectfully submitted by Victoria Crowne**