

Granville Select board Meeting
June 2, 2014
Approved

Public present: Gene and Jackie Hammond
Select Board: Cheryl Sargeant, Michele Brown, Victoria Crowne
White River Valley Ambulance: John Crowne
Town Clerk: Kathy Werner
Granville Fire Chief: Danial Sargeant
Road Commissioner: Charlie Needham
Town Engineer: Doug Newton
Town Constable: Mark Belisle
Mary Russ from the White River Partnership
Charlie Smith ECS Construction

6:04 Call to order: by Cheryl Sargeant

HEAR ANY PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

Open Bids for North Hollow Road Culvert (Demers)

Markowski excataing	\$161,131.29
ECS	\$ 71,720.50
Champlain Construction	\$212,773.53
Kingsbury Construction	\$ 99,991.00

Charlie Needham suggested Doug Newton can review bid items to make sure that all requirements requested were bid on. Cheryl Sargeant moved to table bids until later tonight during the meeting. Victoria Crowne 2nd. All in favor.

FEMA Buy-Out Properties & White River Partnership- The demolition has been complete. FEMA will be doing an inspection to close out the Grant. Mary Russ from the White River Partnership. It is a non-profit group that is interested in the improvement and health of the rivers in all aspects from recreation and resiliency.

Town Highways – Culverts (Town Line, West Hill & Plunkton)- Michele moved to table the culvert discussions until we have more information from Charlie Needham. He hasn't had enough bidders on the projects. Victoria Crowne 2nd All in favor.

Discuss WRVA Board Meeting & Services- We are not getting what we had paid for. WRVA is paying their bills and saving money but they don't have the support from the board to provide an ambulance over here because 2/3rds of their calls are on the other side of the Mountain.

John Crowne stressed to the WRVA board to stand by whatever option is proposed to Granville so we are not in the same situation as their first proposal to us. This proposal was vague and they have NOT provided said coverage the way it was proposed to this valley. WRVA is also not interested in allowing Hancock and Rochester to be voting members.

Danial Sargeant stated that an ambulance over here full time may not be possible right now but that having only a first response team can't be a permanent option. For now, the best option is for each town fire department to maintain their own first response team. We (the three towns) will continue to push for full time ambulance on this side of the mountain.

WRVA has agreed to free first response training here. Danial Sargeant has submitted his name to be back on the WRVA board as Granville's representative. He feels he can help WRVA seek Grant money for an ambulance and possibly staff for over here if available and needed.

Victoria Crowne accept John Crowne's resignation from the WRVA board. Michele Brown 2nd. All in favor.

Michele Brown moved to accept Danial Sargent to replace him on the WRVA board. Victoria Crowne 2nd. Cheryl Sargeant Recused. All in favor.

Doug Newton and Charlie Needham reported on the bids from earlier in the meeting.

Cheryl Sargeant moved to accept the bid from ECS and Charles Smith understands that there is a 21 days from start to finish. Victoria 2nd all in favor

Approve Final Town Constable Agreement- Michele Brown moved to accept as written, Cheryl Sargeant 2nd all in favor

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Approve Selectmen's Orders- Cheryl Sargeant moved to approve as amended and Michele Brown 2nd. All in favor

Approve Monthly Financial Reports- Cheryl Sargeant moved to approve as prepared and Michele Brown 2nd. All in favor

Approve Meeting Minutes-Victoria Crowne moved to table the minutes because no one could open them. She will convert to a PDF and send out again. Cheryl Sargeant 2nd- All in favor

Discuss Property Tax Interest & Installments as Voted at Town Mtg.- We were counseled by VLCT regarding how it was voted at town meeting but wasn't correct. **Cheryl Sargeant moved to instruct the Town Clerk to apply the interest penalty from the due date of each installment. Michele Brown 2nd All in favor.**

Discuss & Approve Long Term Loan for FEMA Expenses- Victoria Crowne moved to approve long term loan for FEMA expenses. 2nd by Cheryl Sargeant – All in Favor

Discuss & Approve Short Term Loan- Cheryl Sargeant moved to allow the Town Clerk to apply for a short term loan in anticipation of taxes collected but to be determined by how much delinquent taxes collected, budget overrun and operations until next tax installment is received. 2nd by Victoria Crowne, All in favor.

Discuss Property Transfer & Tax Abatement for Aiken Property- the selectboard needs to send a letter to the clerk to set a Board of Civil Authority hearing to abate the taxes on the remainder due on the Severence and Bagley properties. This is so we can reconcile delinquent taxes.

Discuss & Approve Town Website Format- Diane Eramo was not present. Cheryl Sargeant tabled Michele Brown 2nd all in Favor–

Discuss Selectboard Clerk Responsibilities- Kathy resigned as Clerk to the Board for note taking. Michele Brown accepted her resignation and Cheryl Sargeant 2nd. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Victoria Crowne proposed- Can we get "No Dumping- Fines" signs for the Gulf? The littering is overwhelming this year. We will see if VTRANS will help us.

Meeting with Dept. of Health EMS Director (June 9th in Hancock)

June 14th graduation party request- for Mark Waites graduation

September 19th wedding for Lee Eramo

Victoria Crowne moved to approve both Town Hall requests. Cheryl Sargeant 2nd All in favor

Mark Belisle is recommending the Sheriff's department for the wedding.

7:50 Michele Brown moved to adjourn. Cheryl Sargeant 2nd all in Favor

Respectfully submitted by Victoria Crowne