

TOWN OF GRANVILLE
SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 2, 2015

Call to Order 6:00 pm

In Attendance:

Cheryl sergeant/Chair & Sean Linskey/Selectman

Constable Mark Belisle; Road Commissioner Kevin Bagley

Public: Mary Falcon, Diane & Mike Eramo, Judy Wood, Fritz & Vivian Branschofsky,
Nancy Demers, Charlene Lewy, Steve Mishkit & Charles Smith of ECS Excavating.

Hear any Public Comments and Communications

Cheryl Sargeant thanked Steve Mishkit for allowing the installment of a fire hydrant on his property on behalf of the town. Steve stated it was too soon to thank him because the work is not finished. He has a written agreement with GVFD, Inc. and two terms of the agreement have not yet been met.

Including finished landscaping at the intake and graveling around the hydrant and in the right of way to the hydrant. Steve stated that the deadline to complete the project is December 1st and he reserves the right to render the hydrant inactive if the work by GVFD, Inc. is not satisfactory in meeting the terms of the written agreement.

Old Business

Judy Wood presented a petition to “the Select Board to represent our opposition to the Delorm/VERA project in the Public Service Board proceedings and to urge them to deny the project a Certificate of Public Good.” A lengthy discussion followed. Reference was made to the Town’s own Town Plan that supports the opposition to a commercial solar array development in a residential setting. It was requested that the Select Board hold a public information meeting. Nancy Demers stated she would like to include having a representative from the solar consulting company VERA included in the public discussion. Diane Eramo proposed the Select Board sign a resolution requesting the State of Vermont give municipalities more say in the siting of alternate energy projects. A list accompanying the draft resolution was a list of Town’s that have signed already.

Ditch waste & Benson’s Bridge was discussed. No action taken.

Charles from ECS Excavating discussed with the Select Board and Road Commissioner winter plowing for FY 2015/16.

Kevin presented a quote for removing trees hanging in the town right of way from L.H. McGuffin.

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A motion was made by Sean Linskey to hire L.H. McGuffin to clear hanging trees from town highways with a budget not to exceed \$2,000. Cheryl Sargeant seconded. All in favor with none opposed.

After a discussion regarding the damaged light post, Cheryl moved to hire a contractor to remove the damaged light post base and replacing with a sensor light to be attached to the outside corner of the Town Hall. Sean seconded. All in favor with none opposed.

Sean is working with Mark Belisle to replace Town Hall door.

Financial Management

Cheryl moved to accept the financial reports. Sean seconded. All in favor with none opposed.

Cheryl moved to accept the minutes from October 19th. Sean seconded. All in favor with none opposed.

The chair requested the Treasurer have copies of the yearend financial reports available at the next meeting to begin the 2016/17 budget process. Cheryl gave an update that she has hired an appraiser to do a FEMA Buy-Out appraisal on the Janet Lumbra property.

New Business

Sean reported finding illegal dumping on West Hill Road. He has since cleaned up the trash and discarded items.

Mark Belisle reported he is looking into a grant for technical support equipment.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted By:
Kathy Werner
Town Clerk/Treasurer