

Granville Selectboard Meeting Minutes

January 22, 2020

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In attendance:

Bruce Hyde, Chair, Richard Poole and James Dague; Selectboard, Kathy Werner, Town Clerk/Treasurer; Roger Stauss, Moderator and Cheryl L. Sargeant, Clerk

Public: Shawn & Marilyn Dougherty

Call to Order: 5:32 p.m.

Public Communication:

- Marilyn mentioned that the Lease Agreement with the U.S. Post Office Item #8 addresses ice and snow removal and that it is the Town's responsibility to remove it from the roof after each storm.
- Roger mentioned the DRAFT Warning Articles look good and that he was registering for the training on February 5th for Town Meeting Tune Up put on by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT).

Amend/Approve Agenda:

- Add a Town Hall Rental request and signing of Line of Credit.

Financial Reports:

- Orders were approved as written.
- Line of Credit for Property Tax Anticipation Loan in the amount of \$100,000.00 was signed by the Selectboard members.

Minutes:

- January 8, 2020 Minutes Jim made a motion to accept the minutes as posted and Richard seconded. All those in favor.

New Business:

- Budget Discussion/Approval the selectboard went line by line to verify figures and made additional changes/deletions. Jim made a motion to approve a proposed budget of \$397,995.00 which is a 4% increase over the current budget and Richard seconded. All in favor.

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New Business: (continued)

- Warning Articles Steeple repairs, Structures Grant, Corner School Resource Center, East Granville Fire Fund and the Fire Station Capital Fund.
- Bruce presented a draft Selectboard Report minor edits to be made for publication. Jim made a motion to approve the report with edits and Richard seconded. All in favor.
- Cover of Town Report will be Clear Field Farm.
- Quintown Regional Energy Committee meeting which Jim attended in Bethel. They are focusing on efficiencies in municipal and educational buildings giving out grant monies to administer work. Jim plans to attend the next meeting in February.
- Town Hall Rental received a request to rent the Hall for April 4th. Jim made the motion for the Town Clerk to act as the duly authorized agent to approve Town Hall Rental Agreements and Richard seconded. All in favor.

Roads:

- FEMA West Hill Slide Harvey's Plumbing & Excavating LLC removed the ledge and it is safer traveling and should be good until spring.

Old Business:

- ECFiber update at the Town Hall Richard submitted their annual report. Kathy was instructed to contact Consolidated Communications to have the internet and fax services discontinued as ECFiber is now the Town's provider.
- Steeple update Jim met with Steve Werner to get his opinion and with the use of a lift and fixing the weather damage, rotten wood it was estimated that it would cost roughly \$12,000.00. There is a warning article for those repairs and Kathy said that it can be repurposed with approval from the voters if needed.

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Old Business (continued):

- Constable Report reviewed by Selectboard for inclusion in Town Report.

Public Communication and Comments:

- Selectboard requested to be notified when Town Report was ready so they may review prior to being sent to printer. Include the Auditor's Report showing final balance standing rather than the whole document.
- Marilyn mentioned that the plow person pushed snow over the culvert crossing VT Route 100 preventing drainage. The Dougherty's cleaned it out and also mentioned it to him so he will be more careful in the future.

Next meeting will be February 12, 2020.

Jim made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. And Richard seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl L. Sargeant
Selectboard Clerk