

Granville Selectboard Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2020 via Zoom Meeting ID #84733153320
APPROVED

In attendance:

Bruce Hyde, Chair, James Dague and Steve Twitchell; Selectboard, Kathy Werner, Town Clerk/Treasurer and Cheryl L. Sargeant, Clerk

Public: Marilyn & Shawn Dougherty and Jennifer Stickney

Call to Order: 5:00 p.m. with Bruce reading a paragraph regarding holding public meetings using video conferencing as recommended by the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT).

Public Communication:

- Marilyn discussed watching the Zoom meeting posted to the Town website and found that the security code was not posted. Jim responded that he ran into some issues and have since corrected them.
- Marilyn then inquired about the parking issue on Kennedy Road. Bruce said that he had met with the property owner and everyone seems to be getting along. Bruce will inquire about the wood pile and the location of the street sign.

Amend/Approve Agenda:

- Jim requested that under Other Business add in other items for discussion but no action to be taken.

Financial Reports:

- Orders were approved as written with Jim making the motion to have Bruce sign the orders on behalf of the Board Steve seconded. All in favor.
- Review financial statements dated August 6th and August 10th Jim requested a new balance sheet with all expenses listed and the August 6th Report and the August 10th Report show differing Net Incomes. Bruce to speak with Kathy.
- Treasurer's Reports were reviewed. The Drinking Water Grant is not a full liability as indicated Jim requested that it be looked into.

Financials: (continued)

- Set Tax Rate after a short discussion Jim moved to accepted the Municipal Tax Rate of .754/\$100.00 as calculated and Steve seconded. All in favor.
- Adjust dates for taxes due Bruce mentioned that the School budget would not be officially approved until August 18th and with that being said the property tax bills would not be mailed in time for a September 15th due date. Therefore; Kathy recommends that bills be mailed by October 10th with the first due date of November 10th, then January 11th, March 10th and May 10th. Bruce will write a notification for the website and a posting around Town. Jim made the motion to accept the new dates and Steve seconded. All in favor.

Minutes:

- July 13, 2020 Minutes and July 18, 2020 Special Minutes Jim made the motion to approve as posted and Steve seconded. All those in favor.

New Business:

- Primary Election and School Vote August 11th Kathy says she is all set.
- East Granville Speeding Issues Bruce mentioned that Mark has set up and ticketed a couple for going almost 60mph in a 40mph speed zone. Jennifer said that yes she has complained about the speeders and would like for Mark to set up along the stretch at the yellow house early in the morning and weekends rather than in the mill yard. Bruce will share the request with Mark.

Old Business:

- Constable Report Mark e-mailed it for review by the Selectboard and it is on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

Old Business: (continued)

- Speed Trailer Report Mark is working on downloading the information from the last month.

Roads:

- Road Commissioner Update Jim reports the crusher has not arrived yet. Kenny found some sand from the company next to Champlain for \$9.00 a yard. He wants to haul it all in 1 day and have Charlie Smith, Jr. pile it.
- Culverts 15 to be replaced of the 15 culverts on hand 4 will be used to replace 2 culverts on Maston Hill and 3 will be used to replace 1 culvert on North Hollow Road. Steve asked if they were going out for bids and Bruce said that depending on project amount can call to get quotes. Jim will discuss with Kenny. Jim reports that he got a call from Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission (TRORC) asking if the Maston Hill grant project was started which it hasn't.
- Road Signs waiting for the Kennedy Road sign to be returned. The Stop sign has been installed. Asked about the Weight Permits and Kathy is getting them from the Addison County Sheriffs and they are in a binder at the office.
- Jim inquired about the George Farr barn on Post Office Hill Road. Steve said that Julie Brown owns it. Kathy informed the Selectboard that George Farr is the correct owner and not Julie Brown. Jim worried about someone getting hurt if they go inside due to its disrepair.
- Jim inquired about Sidney Twitchell's property. Steve mentioned that someone might be interested in purchasing it. Jim would like to know if that might be a good location for the fire station. Jim to contact Danial Sargeant, Fire Chief to discuss.
- Jim asked if it would be possible for the Town Clerk to look into a Credit Card for purchases so others would not have to use their own funds then get reimbursed. Kathy says she has a Debit Card for that purpose.

Public Communication and Comments:

- Marilyn asked about the status of the fire tanker sitting outside the fire station. Bruce will contact Danial for a report.

Next meeting will be September 14, 2020 regular meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Jim made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:59 p.m. And Steve seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl L. Sargeant
Selectboard Clerk