

Granville Selectboard Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2022

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In attendance: Bruce Hyde, Chair, Rachel Grigorian, Selectboard; Jennifer Page Stickney was on the telephone; Cheryl L. Sargeant, Town Clerk; Kenneth Beattie, Road Foreman; Danial Sargeant, Chief Granville Volunteer Fire Department (GVFD) and Roger Stauss, Moderator

Public: Judith Wood, James Dague, Kate Stauss; Corner School Resource Center, Lou Englehardt and Virginia Haddam

Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.

Public Communication:

- Roger submitted an updated annual report for the Corner School Resource Center for the Town Report.
- Jim asked when it was permissible for the public to speak. Bruce indicated that it was alright to raise your hand to speak during Agenda items.
- Lou brought up the condition of the roads during this horrendous mud season. After the discussion it was agreed that the Town needs to investigate the topic further.

Agenda:

- No changes

Financials:

- Orders for Payment – Rachel made the motion to approve the Orders and Bruce seconded. All in favor.
- Financials – Bruce indicated that Nancy was doing well and the reports look good.
- Budget Worksheet – Jim asked if they would be able to get the ditch cleaning, culvert work, gravel and grading all done by July 1st? Bruce indicated that they were doing everything they can to get it done. After a brief discussion about available gravel Bruce made the motion to add \$10,000.00 back into the Gravel line item bringing the total proposed budget to \$377,064.00 and Rachel seconded. All in favor.
- Remove Lien – Bruce made the motion to sign the Discharge of Mortgage and Rachel seconded. All in favor.

Minutes:

- March 14, 2022 – Jim inquired about the Cannabis article, direction of plowing and Charlie's insurance which is expired. Bruce indicated there was a cannabis article in the Warning. Bruce as Road Commissioner oversees winter plowing but does not micro manage the contractor. Cheryl indicated that she had called his insurance company and they would e-mail a certificate. Judy submitted her suggestions for changes to the minutes. Bruce made the motion to table the approval of the minutes until May's meeting and Rachel seconded. All in favor.

Minutes (continued):

- Discussion on Minutes Content – Bruce and Cheryl indicated that it was important to record the relevant discussion and the vote. Bruce would also like to see them condensed further. A discussion about recording meetings took place. The official Town records are the minutes and they must be accurate.

New Business:

- Warned Articles – Bruce read them out loud. Roger indicated that they look good and would give each person wanting to speak 5 minutes or less. Jim asked if there would be an informational meeting for Buffalo Farm Road and Bruce indicated not til later if the vote was in favor. Rachel made the motion to approve the Warning as written and Jennifer seconded. All in favor.
- Town Meeting and Report Schedule – Talk about Conservation Commission Jim will help address questions. Cheryl to finish putting together and sending to printers.
- Local Emergency Management Plan – Bruce indicated that Mark was working on updating.

Old Business:

- Constable Report – None available.
- Buildings and Grounds – None available.
- Cell Tower Update - Bruce indicated that there would be a Public Hearing at the end of May put on by the Department of Public Service.
- GVFD Update – Dan indicated that Marc Bannon would be working with him to install perk test holes on April 21st.
- Website Update – None available.

Roads:

- Road Foreman Report – Ken indicated that he would start grading next week. Cheryl asked for a current insurance certificate for the file. Ken requested that he amend the contract removing the use of the scarifier and Bruce agreed and they signed the contract.
- Grants – Culverts and section of Puddledock; Ken to reach out to Two Rivers Ottauquechee Regional Commission to get assistance. The DUNS number will be changing; Cheryl indicated that she had been notified by Chris Bump of VTrans.
- Signs – Ken indicated that there were only 2 signs left in the basement for East Granville and more would have to be ordered. Ken asked for permission to fix the York rake at a cost of \$1,000.00±.

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Public Comment:

- Virginia asked if the Selectboard could explain the difference between the classes of roads. Bruce explained and Rachel indicated that you could also view them on the Legislature's website. Virginia also inquired about the steeple work for which Bruce indicated was all done.

Next meeting will be the regular meeting on May 9, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. and Town Meeting on May 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Rachel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. And Jennifer seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl L. Sargeant
Town Clerk