

Granville Selectboard Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2022

APPROVED

In attendance: Bruce Hyde, Chair, Rachel Grigorian, Selectboard; Jennifer Page Stickney was absent; Cheryl L. Sargeant, Town Clerk; Mark Belisle, Constable/Buildings & Grounds Manager; Kenneth Beattie, Road Foreman; Marilyn Dougherty, Website Administrator; Danial Sargeant, Chief Granville Volunteer Fire Department (GVFD) and Roger Stauss, Moderator

Public: Shawn Dougherty, Judith Wood, William Brokhof, Jeffrey & Alyssa Gladchun, James Dague and Robert Ready

Call to Order: 5:32 p.m.

Public Communication:

Shawn questioned the finances of the Corner School Resource Center and a comment made in January concerning fundraising amounts and eligibility for ARPA funds. CSRC President, Roger Stauss will provide some financials.

Judy asked that the minutes be correctly updated for accuracy. Selectboard agreed.

Shawn questioned the advertising for the grading contract was too short. The Bid was posted, on the web and advertised in the Herald of Randolph.

Jim will provide input on the grading contract and the Warned Articles.

Judy will ask about warned Articles.

Amend/Approve Agenda:

No changes

Financial Reports:

Orders—Rachel moved and all agreed to pay Orders. Nancy Needham doing a good job as our new Treasurer.

Proposed Budget—No changes. Cheryl will recalculate for approval next meeting.

Grants—Nothing new

New Business:

Grading Bid Opening—New England Logging \$190/hour or \$10,000/week; Beattie Earthworks \$130/hour; Rachel moved and all agreed to award the grading contract to Beattie Earthworks.

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New Business (continued):

Warned Articles—Roger has researched the Constable petition for the warning and found that the section to eliminate funding needs to be raised during the budget discussion. Judy agreed and part B of the petition will be eliminated. The Article will be placed as #2 on the warning.

Town Meeting And Report Schedule—March 31 is last day for petitions, April 4 is deadline for all reports; April 7 Warning Posted; April 18 Town Report to printers.

Japanese Knotweed—Rachel to work with Friends of the Mad River to help eradicate Japanese Knotweed.

Cleaning Town Office and Town Hall—Cheryl asked if she could come in on Friday's and clean the Town Clerks Office. Bruce moved and all agreed to allow cleaning outside of office hours for a small fee.

Town Hall Rental—Application for use of the Town Hall July 9 approved.

Liquor License Renewal—Rachel moved and all agreed to renew the liquor license applications.

Certificate of No Appeals or Suit Pending on Grand List—Rachel moved and all agreed to sign off on this.

Old Business:

Constable report—Mark is working with the State on new dispatching

Buildings and Grounds—Oil Furnace still needs repairs. No Parking Signs Posted.

Cell Tower Update—Bruce has asked the State to hire an expert to review the coverage claims made by AT&T. The public hearing on the proposed cell tower will probably be scheduled in late May.

GVFD Update—Danial to contact Mark Bannon to schedule a Perc test at the Fire Department

Historic Preservation Grants—Rachel will investigate grants for Handicap accessibility and the church space above the Town Hall.

Village Designation Renewals—Rachel will lead the application with TRORC due July 1

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Old Business (continued):

Website Update—Access to the website is limited using some phones and tablets. Planning Commission will remain on the website with no meetings scheduled.

Roads:

Road Foreman Report—Bruce oversees the plowing contract but does not micromanage operations .

Mud Season—Roads to be posted this week.

Handly Road—No update

Grants—Ken to work with TRORC on upcoming grants and road work

Road Signs—Nothing New

Public Communication:

Bob asked about placing a warned article on the cultivation and retail of Cannabis as many towns have done. Bruce will look into language for April's meeting.

Next Agenda—Special Selectboard Meeting April 4 to finalize warning and budget.

Bruce moved and all approved adjournment at 7:15.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Hyde, Chair Selectboard
Cheryl L. Sargeant, Town Clerk