

# Greensboro Selectboard

March 13, 2013 MEETING

## Minutes

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Marsha Gadoury, Bridget Collier, Susan Wood, Anne Stevens, Warren Hill, Jr.

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Chief Erwin Salls, Jr., Valdine Hall, Josh Karp, Officer Kevin Lehoe, June Cook, Dan Tanner, Clive Gray, Victoria Von Hessert, Willie Smith

**CALLED TO ORDER:** 7:03 PM

### MINUTES

February 13, 2013 approved as amended.

### SELECTBOARD REORGANIZATION

The Board welcomed newly elected Selectboard member Bridget Collier, and thanked Marsha Gadoury for chairing the Board last year.

The Board unanimously approved the following:

- **Selectboard Chair:** Warren Hill
- **Selectboard Vice Chair:** Susan Wood
- **Newspaper of Record:** Hardwick Gazette
- **Selectboard Meetings:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. of each month, 7 PM at the Collier Rm., Greensboro Town Hall
- **Administrative Order Sheets:** Bridget Collier (primary), Marsha Gadoury
- **Road Order Sheets:** Marsha Gadoury (primary), Warren Hill

### **LIAISONS:**

- **Farmers Market:** Valdine Hall
- **Highway Dept. :** Warren Hill (primary), Marsha Gadoury
- **Historical Society:** Anne Stevens
- **Driveway Plowing:** Anne Stevens
- **Fire Districts:** Sue Wood
- **Greensboro Fire Dept. :** Bridget Collier
- **Legal:** Bridget Collier
- **Public Beach:** Bridget Collier

## **SELECTBOARD APPOINTMENTS**

The Selectboard unanimously approved the following slate of appointments:

Road Supervisor	Daniel Tanner
Conservation Commission	Clive Gray (2016), Linda Shatney (2016), Kristen Leahy (2015), Tim Short (2015) <i>Other Members: Mark McGrath (2014), Erika Karp (2015)</i>
Health Officer	Sue Wood (2015)
Deputy Health Officer	Marsha Gadoury (2015)
Tree Warden	Judy Carpenter
Animal Control Officer	Kevin Rich
Energy Coordinator	Anne Stevens
Civil Defense	Erwin Salls, Jr.
Recreation Committee	Ted Donlon (Chair), Valdine Hall, Mary McGrath, Erika Karp, Kim Greaves, Deborah Holmes, Michelle Laflam
Development Review Board <i>(FORMERLY ZONING BOARD)</i>	Wayne Young (2016), Sean Thompson (2016) <i>Other Members: Jane Woodruff (Chair - 2014), Nat Smith (2015), Bud Harvey (2015), Linda Romans (2015), Janet Travers (2014)</i>
Fence Viewers	<i>This position was eliminated this year.</i>
Planning Commission	Willie Smith (2016) <i>Other Members: Phil Gray (Chair – 2014), Linda Romans (2014), Mark Snyder (2015), Diana Griffiths (2015)</i>
Town Service Officer	Peggy Lipscomb
Town Forest Fire Warden	Patricia Mercier
Caspian Lake Beach Committee	Marsha Gadoury (chair), Aileen Gebbie, William Eisner, Jr., Diane Irish, Janet Long
Emergency Committee	Anne Stevens (Chair), Wayne Young, Marsha Gadoury, Tim Nisbet, Eric Pilbin, Andy Dales
Energy Committee	Peter Romans (Chair), Tom Hurst, Valerie Carter, Sr. Bernadette Bostwick, Judy Carpenter, Cheryl Fisher, Clive Gray, Erika Karp, Nancy Potak, Anne Stevens, Mark Snyder
Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Rep.	Ken Johnston, Michael ‘Buzz’ Heeney (Alternate)
Police Advisory Board	Earl Caspar, Anne Stevens
Zoning Administrator	Kristen Leahy (2016)

## **PUBLIC CONCERNS**

*Greensboro Historical Society / Perrin Rd.* Clive Gray told the Board that the G.H.S. has \$6k of its own money it would like to spend on repairing town property (the storage shed behind the G.H.S. building). Contractors need to use Perrin Rd. to access the building; the road is currently impassable due to large boulders placed there. Anne Stevens told Clive that she has not yet heard back from the town attorney about the status of the Perrin Rd. lawsuit.

Bridget made the following motion:

*The Greensboro Historical Society may repair Perrin Rd., a Class IV town road, if the town's lawyer says this is appropriate.*

Anne seconded the motion, which carried (S.W., B.C., M.G., A.S. in favor; W.H. abstained).

Bridget will contact the town attorney about this matter and update Clive.

Discussion about the need to clarify who may perform maintenance work on Class IV roads.

## **POLICE**

- Officer Kevin Lehoe told the Board that the H.P.D. has been doing speed enforcement on Breezy Ave. and the Craftsbury Rd. Marsha asked that the Dept. continue to focus on Breezy Ave. The Dept.'s speed cart will be put out again later this spring.
- *False Alarm Ordinance.* It was noted that some alarms go off when there is a power outage or lightening storm, and that property owners should not be charged for these false alarms.

## **ROADS – Dan Tanner, Road Supervisor**

- *New Grader.* Spec. sheets have just been sent out.
- The road crew has been plowing, winging back banks, using the york rake to deal with rough roads, and dealing with equipment maintenance.
- Valdine and Dan will work on planning for the Bridge #6 replacement (over Porter Brook on the Craftsbury Rd.).
- Dan noted that communication issues between the Road Dept. and Fire Dist #1 regarding the District's water line project have been worked out. Discussion about the stump dump: what is allowed to be dumped? Stumps only, or is fill OK? Dan will look into state regulations.

## **GREENSBORO FIRE DEPT. – New Fire Station**

- The Bond vote for the new fire station passed by a wide margin.
- Jr. Salls will work on the curb cut application for the new fire station.
- Jr. Salls will work with John Mackin to get fill from the Fire District's water line project delivered to the new fire station site, where it will be used during the new station's site work phase.
- Jr. Salls suggested that the town get the plans and other documents ready to submit to the state, in order to get the state building permit. It was noted that submission must not happen until 30 days after the original bond vote.
- Jr. Salls said that the biggest problem other towns have had with similar projects is no clerk of the works. After discussion, it was agreed that a clerk of the works needs to be hired A.S.A.P. (contingent on the Bond not being voted down in a re-vote).

Warren made the following motion:

*The Board gives Bridget Collier, Valdine Hall, and Chief Erwin Salls, Jr. the authority to facilitate*

*the permit process and advertise for a clerk of the works. Sue Wood will be available to help out as needed.*

Anne seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

### **TOWN CLERK – Valdine Hall**

- *Lakeview Generator Grant.* The town has received a FEMA grant to install a generator at the Lakeview Union School. The grant is a 50/50 match, with the maximum amount of match being \$8909. Board chair Warren Hill signed the grant agreement.
- *Restoration Fund for Town Records.* Restoration of old town records is funded by recording fees. It used to be that 60% of these fees went in the general fund and 40% went into the restoration fund (60/40). The general fund/restoration fund ratio is currently 50/50; Valdine proposed that the ratio be changed back to 60/40. The Board approved this change unanimously.
- *Budget Review YTD.* Discussion of Town Hall maintenance funding: what projects should take priority, and how much money is available. \$10k in repair funding was recently spent out of the Town Hall maintenance budget; it was discovered that this \$10k had actually been set aside in the capital budget for the repairs. Valdine proposed that \$10k be moved from the capital budget to the Town Hall maintenance account to ‘pay back’ that account. The Board unanimously approved.
- *VTrans Annual Meeting with Town.* Bridget, Dan, and Marsha will go to the meeting. Discussion of paving this year. There might be state funding available; typically these funds are a 90% state / 10% town match. Dan suggested that the section of Craftsbury Rd. between Black’s Point and North Shore Rd. be paved this year.
- *Donation of Laptop.* John Stone III recently donated a small laptop computer to the town. Valdine will write him a thank you note on behalf of the Board.
- *Special Meeting.* A special meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 27 to review the outside auditors report, and get an update on the Perrin Rd. lawsuit. The meeting is tentatively scheduled for 7 PM.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- *Second Annual Caspian Challenge Run.* Victoria Von Hessert gave the Board an update on the run, which will be held on July 27. The lake loop is the same route as last year, but the 5k route has been changed to make it safer. Victoria discussed the run with H.P.D. Chief Cochran, who saw no major issues; he offered to escort runners with a police cruiser. The Board unanimously approved the run as planned.

### **OLD & ONGOING BUSINESS**

- *Town & Lakeview Union School M.O.U.*
  - It was clarified that any town use of the Collier Rm. takes priority over use of the room by the school.
  - The signing of the M.O.U. will be delayed until next month’s meeting (April 10).

- *Greensboro Association – Village Beautification.* Tabled until next month.
- *Recycling Position.* There were six applicants for the position. Valdine and Marsha, who did the interviews, recommended Michael ‘Buzz’ Heeney. The Board unanimously approved the hiring of Mr. Heeney, who will start work Saturday 3/16.
- *Estimate Correction for Cost of Water Line to the New Fire Station.* The corrected estimate is \$110-\$120k, instead of \$124k.
- *Greensboro Arts Alliance & Residency.*
  - GAA&R’s request to put up a tent on the town hall green has been withdrawn.
  - Discussion of forming a committee to explore options for a permanent home/theater for the GAA&R. The Board agreed to form a committee of up to seven members, a few of which will be from the town (i.e. town clerk and/or Selectboard member(s)). Valdine will post signs around town, soliciting letters of interest from those who are interested in joining the committee. If there’s a lot of interest, the Board may form a subcommittee to review applications.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Marsha made the following motion:

*The Board will enter Executive Session at 9:02 PM to discuss the Shatney lawsuit, with Valdine Hall present.*

The motion carried unanimously.

The Board left Executive Session at 9:20 PM.

Warren made the following motion:

*The Greensboro Selectboard gives Bridget Collier the authority to be involved with the Shatney lawsuit on behalf of the Board, and appoints her to be the Board’s signator person for this lawsuit.*

Sue seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNED: 9:25 PM**

*Respectfully submitted, Josh Karp, Selectboard Clerk*

*AMENDED 4/12/13 J.K.*