

Greensboro Selectboard

June 8, 2016

Meeting Minutes

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Romans, Sean Thomson, Judy Carpenter, Ernie Machia, Susan Wood

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Dan Tanner, Valdine Hall, Josh Karp, Art Brochu, Robert Hurst, Bethany Warner, Mike Cloutier, June Cook, Glenn Brooke, Officer Tatro, Cubo (K9), Chief Cochran, Larry McEnany

CALLED TO ORDER: 6:30 PM

MINUTES

Minutes from the 5/11/16 regular meeting approved as written.

Minutes from the 5/25/16 special meeting approved as amended.

PUBLIC CONCERNS

Speeding in Greensboro Bend – *Mike Cloutier, Glenn Brooke.* Mike and Glenn expressed concern about speeding on Main St., beyond Smith's Store, heading North out of town. Discussion of last year's speed study done by the H.P.D., which showed only a few cases of excessive speeding; the speed limit is 35 mph. Sue will ask the H.P.D. to increase speed enforcement patrols in Greensboro Bend, with a focus on the N. end of Main St., with patrols done in the morning and evening.

Dan will put up a 35 mph sign mid-way down the stretch, as a reminder.

Discussion of a solar-powered speed indicating sign; it was agreed that they are more effective coming into a town rather than leaving a town.

GREENSBORO FIRE DEPT. – Art Brochu

- 1. 911 Signs.** The G.F.D. is holding another event where residents can purchase 911 signs: July 2, from 11 AM to 2 PM. Residents can also purchase a sign by appointment: Greensboro_fire@yahoo.com. Signs are \$15/each.
- 2.** The G.F.D.'s budget is on track for the end of FY '16.
- 3.** Bid requests for dealing with the heaving in front of the new fire house will go out next week.
- 4. Update: Theater Waterline Backfill.** Peter reported that the theater's contractor said they backfilled the water line with good material. At this point, it is assumed that since the backfill work was done late last year, it's just taking longer to settle. Next spring, the backfill will be assessed again and action taken if necessary.

TOWN CLERK & TREASURER – Valdine Hall

The Board reviewed the FY 2016 budget, Y.T.D.

POLICE

1. **Speeding in Greensboro Bend.** Sue requested more speed enforcement patrols on Main St. in Greensboro Bend (as discussed earlier in the meeting). Chief Cochran said the Dept. will do the patrols, but noted that their recent speed study gave no evidence that serious speeding is happening.

Discussion of different types of speed measuring devices; all are expensive.

2. The Board reviewed the May police report.

ROADS

1. **Road Supervisor's Report.** Crushing is underway; Dan rented a loader so the road crew can keep up with the crusher. Roads are being graded. The State has been notified that paving is done, so line painting can be scheduled.
2. A Dept. of Corrections work crew will be cleaning sidewalks on June 9, with Ernie assisting.
3. The Board opened three Excavator bids:

Dealer	Make/Model	Price	Trade-in	Net Price	Warranty
Milton Cat	Cat 307E2	\$99,900	\$18,000	\$81,900	Not clear
Nortrax	Deere 75G	\$113,900	\$14,000	\$99,900	5 yr. / 4000 hr.
Beauregard Equip.	Case CX75C	\$98,989	Not clear	Not clear	7 yr. / 4000 hr.

The Board decided to gather more information prior to making a decision. Dan will request machines to try out.

4. **Road Crew Policy / Procedures.** Sue said the Board should seek Dan's input when developing road crew policies and procedures. The Board reviewed and discussed the draft of a new road crew policy (discussed at last month's Board meeting). Ernie, Peter and Dan will work together on the draft, which will be discussed further at the next Board meeting.

ONGOING BUSINESS

1. **Beautification Project Using Anastasio/Jenkins \$300 Donation.** The Board agreed that this gift will be earmarked for landscaping around the Town Hall, after the parking areas are reconfigured. Area landscapers will be asked to submit proposals when that project gets underway.
2. **Selectboard Rules of Procedure.** Tabled; will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Dispatch Contract with Lamoille County Sherriff's Dept.** The \$26,002.60 contract was reviewed and signed by the Board. The contract covers dispatch services from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.
2. **Beach Committee – Bethany Warner.** Bethany requested permission to attach a 'Public Beach' sign to the existing 'Beach Rd.' sign. The Board unanimously approved this; the sign will be purchased by the Beach Committee and Dan will install.
3. **Special Selectboard Meeting.** The Board will hold a special meeting on Wed. June 22 at 6:30 PM. The agenda will be as follows:
 - Selectboard Rules of Procedure
 - Road Crew Policy /Procedures
 - Excavator Bids
 - Long Range Planning (Town Buildings & Properties)
 - Recycling Committee Appointments
4. **Recycling / e-Waste.** The Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District has notified the Town that it may opt out of electronics recycling. Discussion; it was agreed that the Town should continue to accept e-waste. Further sorting of the e-waste will be required, with two bins needed from now on.
5. **Interim Zoning Administrator.** Sean reported that the two applicants for the Zoning Administrator position withdrew their names from consideration prior to interviews; thus, an interim Z.A. is needed.

Linda Romans has offered to be interim Z.A. As a member of the Development Review Board and Planning Commission, Linda would need to take a leave of absence from both boards while she is Z.A. The DRB's alternate member would take Linda's position while she's serving as Z.A.

Linda is available until school starts up again in late August.

The Board appointed Linda Romans to be interim Z.A. (*S.W., J.C., S.T., E.M in favor; P.R. recused himself*).

Sean will rewrite the Z.A. job listing to emphasize skill and aptitude rather than specific experience. The listing will also be advertised more widely.

6. **Sign Board – Town Park.** Peter reported that the sign board at the Town Park needs maintenance work, as well as aesthetic improvements. Discussion of asking local artists for proposals for a 'Welcome to Greensboro' sign which would be added to the structure; these proposals could take the form of a contest. Further discussion was tabled; Peter will determine the specific maintenance needs of the sign board.

ADJOURNED: 8:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Josh Karp, Selectboard Clerk