

# Greensboro Selectboard

July 8, 2015

## Meeting Minutes

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Susan Wood, Peter Romans, Ernest Machia, Sean Thomson, Marsha Gadoury

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Valdine Hall, Josh Karp, June Cook, Kristen Leahy, Jay Caroli, Robert W. Hurst, Bethany Warner

**CALLED TO ORDER: 6:30 PM**

### MINUTES

Minutes of the June 24, 2015 Selectboard meeting unanimously approved as written.

### PUBLIC CONCERNS

There were no public concerns this evening.

### ROB HURST (Willey's Store), JAY CAROLI (architect)

Rob Hurst wants to work on the exterior of Willey's store; since the outside of the building lies in the town R.O.W., he is seeking permission from the Board to do the work. Rob and architect Jay Caroli detailed the scope of work to the Selectboard.

#### 1. Breezy Ave. Side (Store front)

- Replace clapboards and paint, repairs to sheathing and addition of insulation
- Sidewalk improvements to get as close to ADA compliance as possible; possible embedded warmers to melt ice and minimize salt use
- Hand rail against building
- Drainage improvements

#### 2. East Street Side

- Replace clapboards and paint, repairs to sheathing and addition of insulation
- Add 3' loading dock: allows two trucks to unload at once, reducing congestion
- Enclose the porch above gas pumps
- Replace porch stairs with up-to-code fire escape

#### 3. Perrin Rd. Side

- Replace clapboards and paint, repairs to sheathing and addition of insulation
- Improve lower entrance door

Zoning Administrator Kristen Leahy said that the Board needs to approve the new construction aspects of the project, such as the stairs, handrail, loading dock and sidewalk work. After Board approval, the D.R.B. will review the project.

Valdine relayed that Road Supervisor Dan Tanner had concerns about the proposed loading dock extending too far out into the road; after discussion it was agreed that trucks won't be out in the road any more than they currently are, and that the new dock would facilitate trucks unloading faster and moving on. Marsha made the following motion:

*The Board approves Willey's Store doing repairs and new construction within the tow R.O.W., as presented to the Board, or as modified by the D.R.B.*

Peter seconded the motion, which carried (M.G., P.R., S.W., E.M in favor; S.T. recused himself).

## **ROADS**

1. Road Supervisor Dan Tanner was not present; the Board reviewed his written roads report.
2. **Greensboro Bend Sidewalks – Update.** Ernie reported that the Bend sidewalks need be raised at least four inches. He will discuss site work with Dan and report back to the Board.
3. **Curb Cut Request.** The Board approved a curb cut request from Ed Herbert (Bailey Hazen Rd.).
4. **Drainage Issues, East side of Wilson St. – Update.** No new information; Peter will continue to investigate. After a rain, he observed a significant amount of water running from the town storm drain into the field below Jim Cook's house.

## **TOWN CLERK – Valdine Hall**

1. **FY 2015 Budget.** The Board reviewed the FY 2015 Budget.
2. **Police Coverage & Speed Limit, Greensboro Bend.** Valdine suggested that the H.P.D. incorporate foot patrols into their Bend coverage. Ernie observed that the current Main St. speed limit of 35 m.p.h. seems too high, and that 25 m.p.h. would be safer – lots of kids in the road. The Board will discuss both items with H.P.D. Chief Cochran at its next meeting.
3. **Fireworks Policy.** The Board discussed the adoption of a fireworks policy. It was agreed that the existing fireworks permit system might be adequate, if enforced by the H.P.D. For this to work, complaints about fireworks would need to be called in to the H.P.D., who would then determine if a permit was issued for a particular display. If not, the Dept. could confiscate the fireworks.
4. The Board signed the tax anticipation note.
5. **Community Park Volunteers.** Valdine observed that there seems to be duplication between the town Rec. Committee and the Bend Community Park volunteers: wouldn't it make sense if the Bend Park volunteers joined the Rec. Committee? Ernie will figure out who is involved with the Bend Park and report back.

## **ONGOING BUSINESS**

- 1. Old Firehouse Sale – Update.** The property has been listed, no bids received yet.
- 2. Willey Beach Park – Update.** The town crew brought in three loads of topsoil, with a few more loads needed.
- 3. Fire Dept. Van – Open Bids.** Two bids were received: Ken Breitmeyer - \$325; Trent Urie - \$401. Peter made the following motion:  
*The Board accepts Trent Urie’s bid of \$401 for the Fire Dept.’s old van.*  
Ernie seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 4. Water Line to Town Garage – Update.** No new information, Peter hasn’t heard back from John Mackin.
- 5. Gravel Pit – Use of Field.** A five-year contract has been signed with Seth Johnson to use the town’s field adjacent to the gravel pit. The field will be used for agriculture only.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

- 1. Board Liaison – Greensboro Arts Alliance (G.A.A.R.)** Marsha is now working for G.A.A.R. and has stepped down as the Board’s G.A.A.R. liaison. After discussion, Marsha made the following motion:  
*The Selectboard will no longer have a G.A.A.R. liaison, as the position is no longer needed.*  
Ernie seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 2. Town Hall.**
  - The new water spigot has been installed.
  - **Outside Lights.** Discussion of the need for exterior lighting on the Town Hall, primarily for traffic safety when the building and/or Green is being used in the evening. Valdine received an estimate of \$5k to install L.E.D. lights on the exterior of the entire building; the narrow beam of this type of light means neighbors would be minimally affected. Peter wondered if a few extra streetlights added to nearby poles could do part of the lighting job and save the town money. Marsha made the following motion:  
*The Town will solicit bids for outside lighting of the Town Hall; L.E.D. lighting will be specified.*  
Ernie seconded the motion, which carried (S.W., M.G., E.M. in favor; P.R., S.T. against). The Board may use the bids for informational purposes only, in case the streetlight option ends up making sense. Peter will look into the streetlight option.
- 3. Greensboro Arts Alliance (G.A.A.R.) – Banner.** G.A.A.R. has requested that they be allowed to hang a banner on the front of the Town Hall, advertising their summer plays. After discussion, Ernie made the following motion:  
*Banners will not be hung on the Town Hall building.*  
Peter seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## **ADJOURNED: 8:12 PM**

*Respectfully Submitted: Josh Karp, Selectboard Clerk*