

(Draft only – not approved by the Selectboard)

Greensboro Selectboard

September 13, 2017

Meeting Minutes

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Susan Wood, Judy Carpenter, Peter Romans, Sean Thomson, Michael Lapierre

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Kim Greaves, Denise Stuart, Dan Tanner, Clive Gray, Dan Predpall, Ellen Celnick, Melissa Moffatt, Tom Camarra, Chief Aaron Cochran

CALLED TO ORDER: 6:31 PM

MINUTES

August 9 minutes approved as amended.

PUBLIC CONCERNS

- 1. Jim Sawyer (Eligo Lake Association) – Request to Change Speed Limit.** In a letter to the Board, Jim asked that the speed limit be changed on the Rte. 14 section of Greensboro. As this is a state highway, the town does not have jurisdiction. Sue will call Jim and refer him to the appropriate state contacts.
- 2.** There have been citizen concerns about traffic speeds on Young Road and other areas, particularly those accessing the brewery—Peter and Sean will research and draft a new proposal to amend our traffic ordinance.

POLICE

Chief Aaron Cochran presented the August police report. He commented that it was a busy month with local patrols, two thefts and an arson case from a house fire. He met with Corrections officials about a new GPS locator system for at home bail situations—none currently in our area. Discussion of early morning speeders by Greensboro Garage. Also discussion of a speed sign, similar to ones in Glover and Craftsbury. No action taken.

GREENSBORO FIRE DEPT.

Melissa Moffatt presented the Fire Department report. There were no questions from the Board.

ROADS

1. Peter and Mike introduced our newly hired Road Supervisor, Tom Camarra. Tom spoke briefly and the Board welcomed him. Dan Tanner will continue as a crew member, choosing to step down from the Road Foreman position. Tom will start on 9/25.
2. **Road Supervisors Report – Dan Tanner**
 - Crushing is being done now
 - Shoulders are done
 - Winter sand is done
 - The paving company fixed the corner by the Millers Thumb where there was a flooding concern
 - Grading and graveling are being done
 - Replacing the culvert on TH#1 by Blacks Point is on hold while the state does a required hydraulic study; there may be grant funds to apply to for this. Bigger culvert needed.
3. Kim is looking into a different uniform company as the crew is not happy with current uniforms and our contract is up for renewal. Dan noted that some residents take a lot of sand from the town pile and as the price is going up we might want to consider setting a limit: Peter, Dan and Tom will bring a proposal to the next meeting.
4. Kim asked who should pay for a school zone sign by Lakeview—school or town. The Board decided it was a town responsibility to purchase and put up.
5. Denise noted that there are two possible grants for funding a new culvert on the back side of Eligo for next spring/summer—Structures and Better Back Roads.

TOWN CLERK – Kim Greaves

1. Kim and Clive Gray presented a request from the Conservation Commission to spend \$1000 from their fund to contribute toward \$2500 of repairs needed to the Barr Hill Road, which was damaged in this year's heavy storms. The Nature Conservancy would pay the balance. Peter moved, Judy seconded, and the Board approved. Denise noted that this is not budgeted for and there needs to be a better way to account for these expenditures in separate accounts—she will work with the auditor to address this.
2. The Highland Lodge requested temporary outdoor consumption permits for September 15-16, and Sept. 30-Oct. 1, from 9 am to 11:59 pm, beside and behind their main building. Peter moved, Mike seconded, and the Board approved.

TREASURER – Denise Stuart

Denise reported that expenses are generally on track for this time of the year. She is working on finding places for unbudgeted expenses and cleaning up and organizing small accounts, such as the Beach Account, in preparation for auditing.

ONGOING BUSINESS

- 1. Personnel Policy.** Sue brought up issues with our personnel policies that arose with employees. She has drafts of model policies from VLCT. Sue and Judy will review these in November and compare them with ours, in preparation for proposing policy revisions as needed.
- 2. Animal Control Ordinance.** Mike and Sean will work on drafting a proposal for an animal ordinance.
- 3. Painting Exterior of Town Hall.** Denise recommended that we put the painting of two sides of the Town Hall out to bid now for next summer, as contractors get booked up early. Kim will do this.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. Ellen Celnick – Planning Commission.** Ellen was present and interviewed for a position on the Planning Commission, which she had applied for. Peter moved, Mike seconded, and the Board approved her appointment and she was welcomed and thanked for volunteering. Dan Predpall, new PC chair, noted that the PC is looking for input and two more new members and will be working on a new Town Plan for 2019.
- 2.** The Board decided not to follow up on Stuart Lapoint's tree offer, as we are not ready with appropriate places for new trees at this time.
- 3. David Kelly – Act 46.** David asked the Board to sign and support his letter to the VLCT regarding Act 46 and its effect on communities. After some discussion the Board agreed this was not our role without more citizen input. Sean will look into organizing an evening meeting with our legislators for local residents to discuss Act 46 and its local impact.

ADJOURNED: 8:02 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Judy Carpenter