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# Greensboro Selectboard

July 11, 2018

## Meeting Minutes

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Peter Romans, Matt McAllister, Susan Wood, Michael Lapierre

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Andy Kehler

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Kim Greaves, Josh Karp, Tom Camarra, Barbara Brooke, Hester Fuller, Dan Predpall, Chief Aaron Cochran, Annie Houston

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

### MINUTES

Minutes from June 13, 2018 meeting unanimously approved as written.

### PUBLIC CONCERNS

**Drainage concerns at GUCC parsonage – Dan Predpall.** Dan explained that the GUCC Property Committee is working to fix drainage problems at the parsonage. The proposed improvement would include a new drainage system daylighting approx. 25' over the property line into the town's Willey Beach property. Peter made the following motion:

*The Board approves the GUCC's drainage project, as discussed.*

Matt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously

### POLICE

- 1. Police Reports.** Police reports for May and June reviewed by the Board.
- 2. Security Systems – False Alarms.** This issue has come up a few times in recent years, and Board members agree that repeat false alarms are a drain on police resources and can be noise pollution to close neighbors. Discussion of instituting an Alarm Policy that would deal with false alarms. Chief Cochran will run a report comparing alarm stats over the past few years. He noted that the state police charge for responding to repeat false alarms after a few 'free passes'. As a starting point, Sue will look into a model alarm ordinance.
- 3. Lunch for Sergeant Glodgett.** Sergeant Mike Glodgett is retiring from the HPD, and there will be a retirement luncheon on July 20<sup>th</sup> from 11-2 at the police station in Hardwick.

### GREENSBORO FIRE DEPT.

May and June reports were reviewed by the Board.

## **ROADS**

1. **Taylor Rd.** Major improvements to Taylor Rd. are almost completed. It was noted that traffic has increased significantly on Taylor Rd. since Hill Farmstead Brewery opened.
2. **Chloride.** Discussion about applying chloride early in the summer to help the road pack better, reduce dust, and save gravel. Traffic has been increasing over the years; perhaps the chloride budget needs to be increased.
3. **Bids for Road Projects.**
  - **Lake Rd. culvert.** Gravel Construction submitted the only bid, for \$62,130. Peter made the following motion:

*The Board accepts the bid from Gravel Construction for the Lake Road culvert project.*

Mike seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
  - **Craftsbury Rd. culvert.** Gravel Construction submitted the only bid, for \$72,575. Discussion of the town purchasing the culvert to save money; this could lower the project's overall cost, which would lower the town's required cash match. Sue made the following motion:

*The Board accepts the bid from Gravel Construction for the Craftsbury Road culvert project, with the condition that Peter will talk to the contractor about the town purchasing the culvert, after which he is authorized to decide who will purchase the culvert.*

Mike seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
4. **Parking policy.** The Board agreed that the Winter Parking Policy will be turned into a year-round parking policy. Mike will work on this, with the new policy draft to be reviewed at the Board's August meeting.
5. **Radar signs.** The Eligo Lake Association has requested that a radar sign be placed on Rt. 14 near the lake. A state permit is required to place a radar sign adjacent to a state roadway. Sue made the following motion:

*The Board designates Peter to take care of the state-required 'Access and Work' permit, so a radar speed sign can be temporarily installed on Rt. 14 at Eligo Lake.*

Matt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## **TOWN CLERK – Kim Greaves**

1. **HCA outside consumption permit.** HCA director Annie Houston told the Board that the expanded permit complies with the HCA's town conditional use permit and state Act 250 permit. Peter made the following motion:

*The Board approves the HCA's expanded outside consumption permit.*

Matt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
2. **Catering/alcohol permit for Miller's Thumb Gallery.** The Miller's Thumb gallery will be holding a tribute to Marion Stegner on July 14 from 4-6 PM. Mike made the following motion:

*The Board approves the catering permit as requested by the Miller's Thumb.*

Matt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
3. **Highland Lodge – outside consumption permit.** The Highland Lodge would like to have functions at the Lodge beach on Sundays during July and August. Peter made the following motion:

*The Board approves the outside consumption permit as requested by the Highland Lodge.*

Matt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- 4. Gravel pit – Current Use Program.** The forest management plan for the town's gravel pit in Glover needs to be updated. The Board delegated Matt to get this process underway.
- 5. M.O.U. between Town and Lakeview Union School.** There are improvements to the M.O.U. that could be made. Issues discussed included the back door being left open causing a security concern, and school items being left in the hallway. Stronger language is also needed in places. Sue and Kim will work with the school to update the M.O.U., which will be ready to sign at the Board's August meeting.

#### **TREASURER – Barbara Brooke**

1. The Board reviewed and discussed the F.Y. 2018 final budget report.
2. Barbara informed the Board that the outside auditor has begun the process of auditing the town's financial records.
3. The check warrant report for June was reviewed by the Board.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Special Selectboard meeting.** There will be a special Selectboard meeting on Thursday, July 19 at 6:30 PM, in the Collier Room at the Town Hall. At this time, agenda items are to set town tax rate, and discuss a new draft of the Animal Control Ordinance.

#### **ONGOING BUSINESS**

- 1. Dispatch Contract with Lamoille County Sheriff's Dept.** After some research, Andy recommended that the Board sign the dispatch contract, with the stipulation that the contract be closely reviewed next year a few months prior to renewal.

Mike made the following motion:

*The Board approves the dispatch contract as presented by the Lamoille County Sheriff's Dept.*

Peter seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- 2. Signage at Village Green – Peter.** Peter expressed concern about the quantity of 'temporary' signs on the Village Green, which are very noticeable and clutter the area. The town can't regulate temporary signage; last time this happened the Selectboard published a letter asking folks to 'be considerate' about their use of temporary signs. Peter will call individuals and groups who have had signs up for weeks or months.

Peter added that the 'carry in/carry out' sign is too tall and too prominent on the Green. Perhaps it could be lowered, or even removed? The Board approved Peter making the call about what to do with the sign.

**ADJOURNED: 8:00 PM**

*Respectfully Submitted: Josh Karp, Selectboard Clerk*