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Greensboro Selectboard

October 9, 2019

Meeting Minutes

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Peter Romans, Matt McAllister, Michael Lapierre, Tracy Collier

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Andy Kehler

OTHERS PRESENT: Kim Greaves, Josh Karp, Tom Camarra, Armour Moodie, Chief Dave Brochu, Jr., Emmett Avery, Denise Hill, Brian Hill

CALLED TO ORDER: 6:30 PM

MINUTES

Minutes from Sept. 11, 2019 meeting unanimously approved as written.

PUBLIC CONCERNS

Road wash on property - *Armour Moodie*. Due to heavy rains washing out Schoolhouse Rd. this past spring, wash was deposited on Armour's property. The road crew fixed the road and upgraded culverts, but his property still has a quantity of sand and gravel on it.

In the spring, Tom talked to Selectboard members about cleaning up Armour's property. At the time of the road repair, the property was too wet for equipment to work on.

Matt will visit Armour's property and determine whether it's feasible to undertake some kind of cleanup.

POLICE

No officer was present.

The Board reviewed the September police report.

GREENSBORO FIRE DEPT. – *Chief Dave Brochu, Jr.*

1. Chief's report

- Rescue 10 is back in service. The repair bill was \$4k, which included the custom fabrication of three parts due to the age of the vehicle.
- Rusty's Electric completed the installation of the new generator at the firehouse.
- There were no alarms in September.

2. **Felines & Friends Foundation.** Chief Brochu said this organization offers a free spay and neuter clinic for cats, and that the GFD is offering their empty bay as a location for the event. The Board approved the event, contingent on receipt of an insurance certificate from the organization.

3. Chief Brochu presented four tanker truck options:

Truck Type	Cost	Notes
1. Demo/stock unit	\$160 - \$180k (4-5 yrs. financing)	A new pre-configured truck with no miles.
2. Late model used truck	Similar in price to option #1	Need to be careful of model year, due to issues with diesel emissions-control systems
3. New truck	\$200k+ (6-8 yrs. financing)	2-3 months for bid process, minimum 6 months to have truck built
4. Fix old tanker	\$5k	The 'limp along' option. When sold or traded, we wouldn't get our money back. Truck would take about a month to fix.

Dave noted that they are now undercoating trucks, with the goal of making them last for 25 years.

ROADS

1. Road Foreman's report.

- Tom reported that paving is finally completed. While Hutchins did a good job, Tom felt overall that the job didn't go as smoothly as in other years. Tom will get white lines painted ASAP, especially those delineating the paved-over East St. sidewalk.
- The road crew is getting trucks ready for winter.
- The town's new truck will be delivered to Tenco soon for dump body and plow installation.

2. Driveway plowing. Denise and Brian Hill expressed concern about having to pay plowing contractor Brian Perry to clear drifts at their residence. They were told that the Board reversed its earlier decision to have residents pay when larger equipment is required to clear drifts: Perry's will continue to be responsible for clearing all drifted driveways.

3. New Town Garage. Andy and Peter talked to Steve Pitkin, a project manager who lives in the area. He's interested in taking on the new town garage project, and will submit a proposal/estimate for his work. It appears that construction wouldn't take place until 2021.

The Board continues to consider alternative locations for a new town garage. Discussion of the Ducharme sawmill property in Greensboro Bend as a possibility; Peter will contact Dave Ducharme to discuss. If the town garage was relocated, perhaps the current site could be turned into the recycling center.

4. Road inventory. NVDA recently completed an inventory of all town roads. The town will use this data to prioritize maintenance work and road improvements.

5. Winter sand. Discussion of contracting out the hauling of winter sand. This would give the crew more time to work on deferred road maintenance projects, and save wear and tear on town equipment. Approx. 5000 yds. of sand are hauled annually from the town pit in Glover. Matt will draw up a cost estimate.

6. Town roads that are now private driveways. Discussion of re-classifying some town roads that are now private driveways. There is a concern that the town may be obligated to bring some of these roads up to Class 3 spec. at a huge cost to taxpayers.

Historically, many of these driveways went to dairy farms and the town cared for them to facilitate milk pick-up.

Tracy felt it should be all or nothing, that it would be unfair for the town to pick and choose which individual roads get downgraded or thrown up.

Discussion of a standard that could be used to determine which roads would be downgraded or thrown up. Perhaps the standard could be that all driveways leading to former dairy farms, that are classed as town roads, get downgraded or thrown up. No decision was made by the Board.

7. **Name for T.H. #16.** After discussion, Tracy made the following motion:

Town Highway 16 will be named 'Black Hills Drive'.

Matt seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

8. **Driveway design specs.** Tabled.
9. **Willey's Store parking improvements.** Tabled.

TOWN CLERK – Kim Greaves

1. **Skating rink at the ballfield.** The Recreation Committee (RC) has proposed locating the skating rink at the ballfield this winter. The property is leased by the town, and while the property owner has not been contacted about the rink idea, the current lease allows the field to be used for 'recreational purposes'. PACIF (town insurance) has recommended that a number of conditions be met if a town-sanctioned skating rink is installed.

Discussion of using the lake or public beach lawn for the rink; this idea was rejected for a number of reasons, including exposure to wind.

The RC will be asked to submit a proposal to the Board for locating the rink at the ballfield. Tracy suggested that the RC take into consideration the PACIF recommendations when drafting their proposal, and they will be asked to not put the rink in the center of the baseball diamond due to possible damage to grass.

2. **Computer upgrade.** Kim reported that computers in the town offices will need an upgrade to Windows 10 next year. She noted that this could be expensive, and will work on a cost estimate.

TREASURER – Barbara Brooke

Town treasurer Barbara Brooke was not present.

The Board reviewed the FY 2020 YTD budget report and September check warrant report.

ONGOING & OTHER BUSINESS

New trees on Village Green. Tabled.

ADJOURNED: 8:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Josh Karp, Selectboard Clerk