

Selectboard Minutes 04/30/2015

Minutes

Town of Greenfield

Greenfield Town Offices, 7 Sawmill Road Greenfield, NH

Selectboard's Work Session Minutes

Thursday, April 30, 2015 – 5:00 PM

Selectboard: Chairwoman Selectwoman Karen Day, Selectwoman Margaret Charig Bliss, Selectman Stephen Atherton Jr.

Staff: Administrator Patt, John Gryval EMD

Public: Charlie Stevenson

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chairwoman Karen Day.

Documents for Approval/Review/Signature

The Selectboard reviewed and/or signed the following items:

- A/P Invoices
- A/P Checks
- Meeting Minutes
- Certificate of Vote – DRED Patrol Grant
- Hillsborough County Budget Notice – May 4th date
- Letter from NH Municipal Bond Bank
- Kemp's Auto Business License renewal
- Application for Veteran's Tax Credit
- Meeting House Rental Agmt.
- Abatement R3-22-8

5:00 PM: Selectboard Work Session

At 5:00 pm the Selectboard voted on a roll call vote 3-0 to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A:III c, reputation. The board ended the non-public session at 5:25 pm. The Board noted that no decisions were made and no votes taken. The minutes were sealed.

5:30 PM: Gary and Karen Russell, Driscoll Road

At 5:30 pm the Selectboard met with Gary and Karen Russell about a Memorandum of Understanding that has been furnished to all the property owners that abut Driscoll Road. Mr. Russell said that he was not comfortable with a 25' Right of Way (ROW) from the center of the road, as an easement in the future, because for a portion of the road length, the family owns the property on both sides of the road. Mr. Russell further stated that he felt that he could provide an easement for 32', or the width of the road, plus drainage, but that he did not want to give up his land. He stated that because of the way the road was improved the ROW would provide frontage to his neighbor and allow them to develop his property. The Selectboard reviewed the information, looking at two different surveys. They promised to consult Town Counsel to see the Russell's concerns were possible. If the Russell's are correct then the Board will work toward a solution that preserves their right to their property.

6:00 PM: Donna and Richard Sweet

At 6:00 pm the Selectboard met with Donna and Richard Sweet, residents of Slip Road. The Chair asked if the Sweets would like to meet in a non-public session. Mr. and Mrs. Sweet declined. Mrs. Sweet said that they were interested in moving out of their home. She acknowledged that the Town had helped them in the past and she asked if the Selectboard could hold back from taking the Tax Collector's deed to the property so that the Sweet's could complete a sale of the property. The Selectboard asked how long they thought they needed and whether the house was currently on the market. Mrs. Sweet said that that they were in the process of fixing up the house and that they hoped to be moving in the fall. They house is not on the market at this time. The Board discussed the repairs that have been done to the home with the Sweets. Mr. Sweet stated that they had just replaced the roof. The Selectboard said that they would like to consult with the Tax Collector before making a decision.

6:30 PM: Documents for Review/Approval

The Selectboard signed A/P Invoices and A/P Checks. The Board reviewed Meeting Minutes. The Board voted to accept a DRED Patrol Grant on behalf of the Greenfield Police Dept. They reviewed a letter from the

Municipal Bond Bank and signed the application for Veteran's Tax Credit. A Meeting House rental was signed.

At 7:00PM the Board recessed for a short break.

7:30 PM: John Gryval, Emergency Management Director

At 7:30 PM John Gryval joined the meeting. Mr. Gryval had forwarded a letter of resignation, from his position as Emergency Management Director, to the Selectboard earlier in the day. Mr. Gryval said that it was time for a change and that he was very fond of the job and the people that he worked with, both in the town and at Southwest Regional Planning. He said that he had some new personal commitments such as a new granddaughter that were taking up his time. He said that with the new Fire Chief in place he was aware that a lot of changes were underway with the fire department. Mr. Gryval said that he had no issues or animosity with anyone. Mr. Gryval said that he would like to be involved in the search for a new EMD and suggested that if the Board were to create a panel for the search committee that he would like to be on the committee. Mr. Gryval told the Board that he hoped that they would continue to have a deputy position as part of the department, going forward.

7:45PM: Selectboard Non-Public Meeting

At 7:45PM the Board voted to enter into non-public session under 91-A:III c Reputation. The Board voted on a roll call vote 3-0 to enter non-public session. At 8:10pm the Board voted to exit non-public session. It was noted that no decisions were made or votes taken during the meeting.

At 8:11PM the Board voted to enter into non-public session under 91-A:III b hiring of any person as a public employee. The Board voted on a roll call vote 3-0 to enter non-public session. At 8:45pm the Board voted to exit non-public session. It was noted that no decisions were made and no votes taken.

The Board completed the remainder of the document review and approvals. This included abatement for R3-22-8.

Selectwoman Charig Bliss advised the Board about the winter burial schedule now that spring is here and the cemetery is about to open. Selectwoman Charig Bliss is also a Trustee of the Cemeteries.

Adjournment

On a motion by the Chair, and a second by Selectwoman Charig Bliss, the Board voted to adjourn. The motion carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

The minutes are final when approved and signed by the Selectboard. A signed copy is on file in the Selectboard's office.

Chair, Karen Day Margaret Charig Bliss, Selectwoman Stephen Atherton Jr., Selectman