

Town of Greenville

Minutes for Board of Selectmen's Meeting

Wednesday, February 5, 2014 6:30 PM in Town Hall Meeting Room

Board members/Staff Present at meeting:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Selectman Bruce Wyman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Selectman Bonnie DuBien	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Town Manager John Simko
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Selectman Craig Watt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Selectman Richard Peat	<input type="checkbox"/> Code Enforcement Officer Jack Hart
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Town Clerk Roxanne Lizotte	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Selectman Bruce Hanson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire Chief Matt St. Laurent

Others: Deputy Fire Chief Gavin Oelschlegel.

Chair Bonita DuBien opened the meeting at 18:30.

1. Minutes of January 15, 2014 Meeting

Motion made by Bruce Hanson, seconded by Craig Watt, to accept the January 15, 2014 minutes as presented. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

2. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda: None.

3. Public Comment period: None.

4. Fire Department Rescue Van Replacement: The Greenville Firefighter's Association has successfully fund-raised to buy a rescue truck to replace the Fire Department's current rescue van. Fire Chief Matt St. Laurent and Deputy Fire Chief Gavin Oelschlegel will present the keys for the Truck to the Chair of the Board, and offer a tour of the new vehicle. Also, the FD would like the Board to consider going out to bid for the old van and to have the proceeds go to the Fire Department's apparatus capital account.

Fire Chief Matt St. Laurent and Deputy Fire Chief Gavin Oelschlegel presented details regarding the new rescue truck. Recognizing the need for a replacement to the current van, the members of the fire department worked to raise funds and seek grants totaling \$13,000 to purchase and transport this 1986 Mack Rescue Truck from Newport, Minnesota to Greenville, Maine. The title is in the name of the Greenville Fire Department and is now insured by MMA, has an inspection sticker, and is in service. It has been used on one call which came in at 3AM Monday, February 3 and proved its worth by using the winch on the front of the rescue truck to free a man who had been run over by a plow truck. The Board of Selectmen, by consensus, accepted the donation of the truck and thanked the members of the Fire Department for their efforts.

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Bruce Hanson, to go to bid for the sale of the current 1988 Chevrolet Rescue Van, bids closing prior to the first Selectmen's Meeting in March. Should the bids exceed the limit that the Selectmen are authorized to accept for sale of Town property, a special town meeting will be called to authorize acceptance of the bid. Also, the proceeds of any such sale will go to the Town's unappropriated fund balance: the Selectmen will add an article on the Annual Town Meeting warrant to direct those sale proceeds to the Fire Department Apparatus Account. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

5. FY2014-2015 Municipal Budget Process: Town Manager John Simko will offer an overview of the budget process and schedule for this year.

Following a general discussion, the Board of Selectmen agreed by consensus to follow the same process as used last year in that the budget committee and the Selectmen will jointly meet to hear the presentation of the budget by the Town Manager and Department Heads, beginning in March. Town Clerk Roxanne Lizotte will contact the five members of the Budget Committee to see if they would like to serve again this year, and will report the results back to the Board in case vacancies need to be filled. The Board of Selectmen expects to meet on Wednesday nights for both regular and also budget meetings.

6. Personal Property Tax Abatement Requests (2):

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Bruce Wyman, to accept both abatement requests as presented. The first abatement was for leased equipment owned by Leaf Financial Corporation which is no longer in Greenville, four pieces totaling \$97.02. The second abatement is for a single piece of personal property previously owned by Louis Hilton which has been removed from Greenville, totaling \$55.87. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

7. Piscataquis County Assessor's Return:

Motion made by Richard Peat, seconded by Bruce Hanson, to approve the Assessor's Return for 2014 Piscataquis County Tax assessment to Greenville in the amount of \$423,047.00 (a \$16,305 decrease versus the amount budgeted in the current year). Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

8. CMP Pole Permit – North Wiggins Street:

Motion made by Richard Peat, seconded by Bruce Hanson, to approve CMP pole permit as presented. Motion passed by vote of 4-0-1 (Wyman abstained).

9. Town Manager's Report: Presented verbally and hard copy distributed. No action taken.

10. What's On Your Mind? - Opportunity for Selectmen to share questions, concerns, ideas or suggestions – informational only.

Richard Peat asked Town Manager John Simko to research the Crafts-Sheridan Scholarship fund to see how much money is available within it, and for the Board to consider moving this to the Maine Community Foundation to get a higher yield in the future. Town Manager John Simko and Bookkeeper Cindy Hanscom will research this and get back to the Board of Selectmen.

11. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 20:28.

Respectfully Submitted;

John Simko, Town Manager
February 5, 2014
21:07.