

Minutes of Greenville Board of Selectmen Meeting

6:30pm Wednesday Sept 5, 2012 in Town Hall

Board members/Staff Present at meeting:

Selectman Bruce Wyman Selectman Bonnie DuBien Selectman Bruce Hanson
 Selectman Craig Watt Selectman Richard Peat Town Manager Gary Lamb
 Town Clerk Roxanne Lizotte

Others: Jeff Pomerleau, Steve and Lisa Levesque, Ken Snowden, Sally Tornquist, Janet Chasse, Tom Pierce, Doug Young, Graylon Smith, Beth Lorigan, Henry Gilbert, Cheri Goodspeed, Randy Couton, Jon Pratt, Kyle Pelletier, Marilyn Goodwin, and 5-6 other unidentified citizens.

1. Minutes of August 15, 2012

- **Motion by Richard to approve minutes as presented. Motion seconded by Bruce Hanson and motion approved on 4-0 vote.**

2. Addition or Deletions to the Agenda - none

3. Public Comment period

- Graylon Smith spoke about his disagreement with the transfer station sticker policy of not all persons listed as legal owners of a property receiving their first sticker for free. He wants him and his two brothers, all owners of one parcel, to be given a first transfer station sticker at no charge. He asked that the policy issue be discussed as a formal agenda item, and the Board should vote to change the policy. Bonnie agreed that this issue would be added to the Sept 19th meeting agenda.

4. Discussion with Possible Action - Fly In committee member Kyle Pelletier has requested a discussion with the Board re: closing one lane of Pritham Avenue on Sat Sept 8th.

- Kyle presented his idea of having Eveleth Hill Road one way for Sat Sept 8th, along with the westbound section of Pritham Avenue from the light to Eveleth Hill being one way.
- Several comments from business owners were similar in saying it is not necessary to close the road...because it interferes with retail business...and we should just live with it during such busy times. They clearly want the two way traffic to remain.
- The majority of the Board does not want to try this one way traffic pattern if it interferes with business...so the Board voted to do nothing and leave the present two way traffic pattern.

5. Discussion with Action - vote whether to approve one year extension to airport hangar owner Doug Youngs PILOT (payment in lieu of taxes) concerning his partially constructed hangar

- Lamb briefed the Board on past history of Mr. Youngs PILOT and how this payment is slightly more than his tax bill would be if he had constructed the hangar...because the assessor used some larger hangars in computing the PILOT amount
- **Motion by Craig to approve this extension. Motion seconded by Bruce Hanson and passed on 4-0 vote.**

6. Discussion with Possible Action - review status of applications for committee/board vacancies and possibly interview candidate(s) for Economic Development Committee

- Steve Levesque is here at the Board's request to discuss his interest in being appointed to the Econ Dev Comm. Steve is the present Executive Director of Brunswick Naval Air station redevelopment

authority and former Commissioner of DECD in King administration. Juan Galan will be at your Sept 19th meeting to answer similar Bd Sel questions.

- Steve spoke briefly describing to the Board how his experience could help this committee and stated his desire to soon be a legal Greenville resident. He feels he can make most of the meetings. The Board thanked him for his willingness to serve and obvious benefits he can provide to the committee...and the Board will be in touch with Steve.
- Lamb updated the Board on status of all committee appointments...Recreation Board is full; no applications yet for Zoning Board of Appeals one vacancy; Planning Board has two applications (Ev Hayes and George Lavigne) for two vacancies; Library Board has two applications (Janice Lavigne and Noel Wohlforth) for one vacancy and Economic Development Committee has three applications (Ross, Levesque, Galan) along with 7 continuing members (Muzzy, Geno, Hamer, Diangelo, Watt, Gould, DuBien) with no limit to numbers that can be appointed
- The Board decided to wait on any voting on appointments until at least the Sept 19th meeting

7. Discussion with Possible Action - discussion on whether to pursue video taping of Board of Selectmen meetings

- Janet Chasse spoke briefly on why she feels the Board should video their meetings...and that many other towns show their meetings on TV or internet.
- Beth Lorigan spoke on technology being used to video school board meetings. This is equipment that town hall does not have at present. However, the selectmen could have their meetings at the school and use the same equipment.
- EJ tells GL that individual microphones, a sound mixing board, camera and media storage device will be needed along with trained staff to operate equipment, download video files and post to website or internet
- This would have to be put in next years budget for town meeting approval.
- Even if approved by selectmen and town meeting, Lamb does not recommend this happen until the Rec Director's office has been relocated
- Lamb is to investigate how the school is doing this and costs to video selectmen's meetings and report back to the Board

8. Discussion with Possible Action - review town's cash flow situation and possibly vote to authorize a temporary loan until tax payments start coming in.

- I recommend the Board authorize the borrowing of \$100,000 from Camden National Bank to get us through our cash crunch . Cindy and I reviewed our financial situation on Sept 4th and we have \$200,000 available in cash and money market funds...not including school money market funds. I am hoping this \$100K loan plus \$200K in the bank will suffice to make the Sept 13th school payroll (\$150K) plus all our other payroll and accounts payable. \$100,000 is the maximum CNB can loan without expensive bond attorney authorization, legal notice and hearing, etc which usually costs up to \$3500 in legal bills. Tax bills were mailed last Friday, which should take care of our shortfall by the end of the month and make us solvent again.
- In the first three days of this week, we have taken in over \$30,000 per day in tax payments. With this in mind, Craig motioned to approve obtaining the \$100,000 loan...but for Lamb to wait until Monday afternoon Sept 10th until deciding whether the \$100,000 loan is needed. The motion was seconded by Richard and motion approved on 4-0 vote.

9. Discussion with Action - open 5 sealed bids on Wilson Pond property

- The bid envelopes were opened by the Chairman and the following bids were recorded...\$10,100 from Gervais...\$25,010 from Goodwin...\$36,200 from Rankowski...\$35,100 from McNamara...and \$20,050 from Keen

- Motion by Bruce Hanson to reject all bids. Motion seconded by Craig and passed on 4-0 vote.
- Motion made by Craig to readvertise with a \$100,000 minimum bid with bids to be opened at second selectmen's meeting in October (24th). Motion seconded by Richard and passed on 4-0 vote.
- Two bidders were in the audience and asked questions of the bid process and status of clear title to this property. Town Clerk Roxanne Lizotte stated if a bid is accepted by the Board the town would then issue a quitclaim deed to the new owners who then would be responsible for doing due diligence in assuring clear title.

10. Town Manager's Report

- Thanks to all town hall employees for pitching in to get tax bills out last week to help with our cash crunch. Even Bruce Hanson came in and licked a few envelopes
- Lamb read Ken Snowden/Tom Pierce ATV Club letter that proposes ATV access to all Greenville roads. Future formal agenda item discussions in more detail will occur at Sept or Oct meetings.
- Jeff Pomerleau spoke on the ATV/town road issue...and how ATV's on Pritham Avenue worked well to slow traffic to 25 mph. However, if ATV's were allowed on Lily Bay Road, log trucks and 45 mph speed limits are a different concern. Ken and Tom will return to the Board with more information on success stories of such access in numerous other northern Maine logging towns. If any such permission is given, Jeff asked it be for a one year trial. Jeff and some business owners in the audience spoke positively about the economic benefit ATV's provide to Greenville businesses...this is good economic development for retail sales now and future residential activity.
- Ken and Tom stated such access is most needed from downtown Greenville to the Prong Pond Road.
- On Oct 10th at Trailside there will be an ATV and snowmobile summit for businesses that cater to these recreational uses.
- Thanks to all three DPW employees, Jim Abele, Paul Sikes and Mike Robinson for saving the town over \$6000 in excavator rental putting up our winter sand. They did it with our loader and good old American ingenuity by building a ramp of sand to drive to the top of the pile.
- GL is submitting a claim to have town hall resided at no charge...because the paint job on the cement board siding has degraded (and was warranted not to). Not sure if this will be done before cold weather.
- By informal yet unanimous Board consensus, the usual Wed Oct 3rd selectmen's meeting will be moved to Tuesday Oct 2 to not conflict with those attending the MMA convention...and the usual Oct 17th selectmen's meeting will be moved to Wed Oct 24 so a Board quorum is available.

11. What's on your mind? - An opportunity for Selectmen to share questions, concerns, ideas or suggestions - informational only

12. Adjourn