

# Town of Greenville

## MINUTES of Board of Selectmen's Meeting

Wednesday, October 15, 2014 6:30 PM in Town Hall Meeting Room

Board members/Staff Present at meeting:

Selectman Richard Peat (Chair)  Selectman Bruce Wyman  Town Manager John Simko  
 Selectman Craig Watt (VC)  Selectman Geno Murray  PW Foreman Mark Bernier  
 Town Clerk Roxanne Lizotte  Selectman Josh Brown  Police Chief Jeff Pomerleau

Others: Janet Chasse of Greenville; Jim Carr of Harford's Point Twp. (GPD Lt.).

**1. Opening of the Meeting.** Chairman Richard Peat opened the meeting at 18:31.

**2. Minutes of September 17, 2014 Meeting:**

**Motion made by Bruce Wyman, seconded by Craig Watt, to accept the meeting minutes of September 17, 2014 as presented. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

**3. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda:**

**Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Bruce Wyman, to add the following items to the meeting agenda:**

- Item #8A: Approval of 2015 Municipal Valuation Return**
- Item #8B: Executive Session for Personnel Matter**
- Item #8C: Executive Session for Personnel Matter**
- Item #8D: Executive Session to Consider Disposition of Town-Owned Property**

**Motion passed by vote of 5-0.**

**4. Public Comment Period:** Janet Chasse asked why the Board of Selectmen has had so many Executive Sessions in recent meetings. Town Manager John Simko indicated they are various reasons, citing the general purposes of each of the Executive Sessions in this meeting, including the Town Manager's annual review and consideration of additional reserve police officers.

**5. Contracts for Solid Waste Hauling and Collection and Recycling Center:** Sean Bolen of Moosehead Rubbish has asked to be added to the agenda. Additionally, there are three contracts which need to be executed for services provided by Moosehead Rubbish. There are operational issues which need to be discussed and remedied.

**After lengthy discussion, the members of the Board of Selectmen agreed by consensus to let Sean Bolen and Town Manager John Simko review these contracts at length in person and return with any recommended changes at the next meeting. Also agreed by consensus was a trial period tracking non-Greenville C/DD tonnage from August to December 2014 and negotiation of payment to Sean Bolen for hauling this waste material as outlined in the draft Waste Hauling Contract. The Board also encouraged the Town Manager to revisit a cost-sharing arrangement with the Towns of Beaver Cove and Shirley as well as Piscataquis County for use of the Transfer Station.**

**6. Landfill Repair Update:** As previously discussed, the closed landfill has some deficiencies identified by the DEP at the May 2013 site visit which we are now correcting. The weather and circumstances have worked against our PW crew and our hired contractor, but both are expected to button up the project next week. PW Foreman Mark Bernier will be present to give an overview of the project.

**Town Manager John Simko and PW Foreman Mark Bernier provided details on this project, which has now been completed for the season. Town Manager John Simko praised PW Foreman Mark Bernier for his diligence in overcoming obstacles in this project such as weather and material testing to still get the job done in a timely manner.**

**7. Legislative Candidates Forum:** In anticipation of the November election, I recommend that the Board of Selectmen prepare a legislative platform and invite the candidates for the Maine Senate and House of Representatives to a meeting to discuss. Some of these seats are unopposed. The purpose of the forum would be to get our issues and needs as a Town in front of the likely elected officials in time for them to submit legislation or react to proposed bills.

**Motion made by Geno Murray, seconded by Bruce Wyman to set a Legislative Candidate Forum for 6:00 PM Wednesday, October 29, 2014 in the Municipal Building Meeting Hall and invite the candidates for house and senate seats from Piscataquis County to attend, and present a list of legislative positions or concerns as drafted by the Town Manager and amended by the Board of Selectmen via email between now and the date of this forum. The stated purpose of the forum will be to make known to the candidates the legislative priorities of this Town and by extension this region. Motion passed by a motion of 5-0.**

#### **8. Additions to the Agenda:**

**Item #8A: Approval of 2015 Municipal Valuation Return**

**Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Bruce Wyman, to approve the 2015 Municipal Valuation Return. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

**Item #8B: Executive Session for Personnel Matter:**

**Motion made to enter Executive Session at 19:57 and to exit at 20:03 made by Craig Watt and seconded by Geno Murray. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

**Motion made by Geno Murray and seconded by Craig Watt to appoint as constables (Reserve Police Officers) to the Greenville Police Department Keith Brann of Whitefield, Maine and Michael Jewett of Glenburn, Maine. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

**Item #8C: Executive Session for Personnel Matter:**

**Motion made by Geno Murray, seconded by Josh Brown, to enter Executive Session at 20:04 and to exit at 20:14. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

**Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Geno Murray, to adopt the Ethics Policy previously presented to the Board of Selectmen in 2010 and to direct the Town Manager to send this to each and every Board or Committee which represents the Town of Greenville in any way and request that they each adopt this policy as well. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

**Item #8D: Executive Session to Consider Disposition of Town-Owned Property**

**Motion made by Craig Watt and seconded by Bruce Wyman to enter executive session at 20:14 and to exit executive session at 20:18. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

**Motion made by Craig Watt and seconded by Josh Brown to deny the unsolicited request made for purchase of a lot in the Greenville Industrial Park at this time, and to direct Town Manager John Simko to request more details for the individual's business plan, upon receipt of which the Board would reconsider this request. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

**9. Town Manager's Report:** Report circulated and reviewed – no action taken.

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

**Bruce Wyman asked about having the picnic tables at the Junction Wharf painted and the canopies constructed over them. Town Manager John Simko said that Jack Hart has scheduled the construction of canopies at these locations by the Charleston Correction Crew, beginning Monday, October 20, 2014. The Town Manager will work with the PW Foreman to see about having the picnic tables stained.**

**Craig Watt asked if the blown bulbs in the ceiling lights at the Meeting Hall could be replaced. Town Manager John Simko indicated he would take care of it.**

**Geno Murray spoke briefly to Public Health concerns surrounding the Ebola virus and circulated a handout which explains the risks and preventions advised regarding this virus. Generally, current infection control procedures in place at the hospital and advised of the general public will be sufficient to prevent the spread of this virus, should someone enter the community with this infection.**

**11. Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6)(A):**

**Motion to enter Executive Session at 20:23 and to exit at 21:17 made by Craig Watt and seconded by Geno Murray. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

**Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Bruce Wyman, to acknowledge very favorable performance by John Simko in his first year of contracted employment as Town Manager and to approve the \$1,000/year raise included in his contract, retroactive to his anniversary date (September 3). Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

**12. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 21:19.**

Respectfully Submitted;

John Simko  
Town Manager  
October 15, 2014 – 22:50.