

Town of Greenville

MINUTES of Board of Selectmen's Meeting

Wednesday, November 4, 2015 at 6:30 PM in Town Hall Meeting Room

Board members/Staff Present at meeting:

Selectman Richard Peat (Chair) Selectman Ryan Edmondson 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: Fire Chief Matt St. Laurent; Deputy Fire Chief Gavin Oelschlegel; John Cobb, Chris Shields, Andy Hunt and Jim Castonguay of the Moosehead Riders Snowmobile Club.

1. Opening of the Meeting & Declaration of Conflicts of Interest: The Chairman will ask the members of the Board of Selectmen to review the meeting agenda and declare any potential conflicts of interest which members may have with the items listed.

Chairman Richard Peat opened the meeting at 18:50. No conflicts of interest were declared.

2. Minutes of October 21, 2015 Selectmen's Meeting:

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Josh Brown, to accept the meeting minutes as presented. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0-2 (Murray and Edmondson absent).

3. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda:

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Josh Brown, to add the following item to the meeting agenda:

9. Selectmen's Workshops.

The motion passed by a vote of 3-0-2 (Murray and Edmondson absent).

4. Public Comment Period: None.

5. Fire Department Update: Fire Chief Matt St. Laurent will present the new "Quint" Aerial ladder / Pumper Truck placed into service last weekend.

Craig Watt wished to thank the members of the fire department who worked so diligently to find this piece of equipment and to procure it as cost-effectively as possible for the Town of Greenville. The rest of the Board of Selectmen agreed with this sentiment.

6. Snowmobile Trail Grooming Grant Application and Contract with Moosehead Riders Snowmobile Club: Both will be presented at the meeting with recommendations for approval.

Motion made by Craig Watt, seconded by Josh Brown, to authorize Town Manager John Simko to sign the 3-year contract as prepared, and also to apply for grant funds through the FY15-16 Maine Snowmobile Trail Maintenance Program. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0-2 (Murray and Edmondson absent).

7. DEP Culvert Grant Application: The Town of Greenville has an opportunity to apply for funds for improvement of the drainage system which extends under Eveleth Hill and proceeds to Moosehead Lake. The DEP has authorized a grant program for municipalities whose aim is to reduce the amount of silt entering water bodies. More details will be presented at the meeting.

The Board of Selectmen agreed by consensus to authorize Town Manager John Simko and Public Works Foreman Mark Bernier to continue to work with engineers from CES, Inc., to prepare an application for funds to improve and upgrade the drainage extending from the cross culvert on Eveleth Hill to Moosehead Lake, and to bring estimated local share costs to the Board of Selectmen through the upcoming budget process (for FY16-17).

8. Review of State Funding for Greenville Schools – Preparation for Workshop November 5, 2015: Superintendent of Schools Dave Morrill and Town Manager John Simko have been working on a review of the state subsidy sent to Greenville in recent years, and strategies for how to increase this amount. In advance of the November 5 workshop with the School Committee and the Legislative Delegation, Town Manager John Simko will offer an overview of this work.

The Board of Selectmen reviewed the proposal prepared by Town manager John Simko and Superintendent of Schools David Morrill and commended them for their diligence in preparing these suggestions, and agreed to advocate for these changes to our legislators at the upcoming workshop meeting with the Greenville School Committee.

9. Additions to the Agenda: Selectmen’s Workshops.

The Board of Selectmen agreed by consensus to codify the following workshop meetings at the dates, times, and locations listed:

6:00 PM Thursday, November 5, 2015 – Municipal Building Meeting Hall – Joint Workshop with Greenville School Committee to discuss with legislative delegation means to increase state subsidy for the Greenville Schools.

5:00 PM Thursday, November 12, 2015 – Greenville Public Works Garage – Tour of Facility and Review of New Equipment.

12:00 PM Wednesday, November 18, 2015 – Municipal Building Meeting Hall – Meeting with Assessor Rob Duplisea to review 2016 State Valuation.

6:00 PM Tuesday, December 1, 2015 – Bingham Town Hall – Joint Workshop Meeting with Bingham Board of Selectmen to discuss the recently-permitted wind power project in the Bingham area.

10. Town Manager’s Report: No action taken.

11. What’s On Your Mind? - Opportunity for Selectmen to share questions, concerns, ideas or suggestions – informational only. None.

12. Adjourn: 20:34.

Respectfully Submitted;

**John Simko, Town Manager
Town of Greenville – 11-4-2015 @ 21:04.**