

Granville Selectboard Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2022

APPROVED

In attendance: Bruce Hyde, Chair and Jennifer Page Stickney (via telephone) Selectboard; Cheryl L. Sargeant, Town Clerk; Mark Belisle, Constable/Buildings & Grounds Manager; Kenneth Beattie, Road Foreman and Marilyn Dougherty, Website Administrator

Public: Shawn Dougherty, William Brokhof, Walt Englehardt, Norman Arseneault, Richard Lanpher, Stewart Merusi, White River Valley Snowmobilers

Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.

Public Communication:

- Bruce announced that Rachel Grigorian was unable to attend.

Amend/Approve Agenda:

- Nothing presented.

Financial Reports:

- Orders – After a brief discussion Jennifer made the motion to approve the Orders for payment and Bruce seconded. All in favor.
- Reports – Bruce mentioned that Nancy was still working on the FY2022/2023 reports and would have them at the August meeting.
- Grants – Cheryl indicated that the Plunkton Road Grant was submitted for reimbursement.
- Tax Rate Worksheet – Jennifer made the motion to approve the 0.5729 tax rate and Bruce seconded. All in favor.
- CV Oil Prepay – Bruce indicated that he was not comfortable with prebuying fuel oil and Jennifer agreed. No one in favor.
- Roof Work - Bruce indicated that the Town will pay deposit of half the cost of installation of the standing seam roofing on the Town Clerk's Office/Annex and it should be done this fall.

Minutes:

- June 13, 2022 - Jennifer made the motion to approve them as written and Bruce seconded. All in favor.

New Business:

- VAST Update – Stewart indicated that they would be moving the trail across Walt's property to an ancient trail and would be building 2 bridges. The club just wanted permission from the Town and US Forest Service to perform the work. Norm indicated it was a logical route to the government road and VAST will continue to maintain all the bridges on Kennedy Road. The Town just needs to give go ahead and keep ATV's out. Jennifer made the motion to approve the work with Bruce signing the bridge maintenance agreement on behalf of the Town and Bruce seconded. All in favor.

At this point Jennifer had to leave the meeting.

New Business (continued):

- ECFiber Telephone/Alarm Line – Mark indicated that the speed for the internet was slow and we have not heard back about the telephone alarm lines. Bruce indicated that he would speak with ECFiber Board Wednesday night to get this moving.
- Bulletin Boards – Cheryl indicated that Douglas Fuller had offered to build a bulletin board for the Town Hall he just needed reimbursement for materials and time. Bruce asked to have him cost it out for the August meeting. Brett Stickney has offered to build a small bulletin board in East Granville.
- ARPA Funds – Marilyn asked if there would be a committee and if they would hold meetings. Bruce indicated that yes Mark, Cheryl and he had already volunteered. Meetings could be held as part of the Selectboard meetings.
- Tree Cutting – Leaning tree on North Hollow Road and Bruce indicated it could be charged against the surplus money. Ken indicated he could cut next week and Bruce offered to assist.
- Building Communities Grant – Not interested
- Planning Commission Membership – Bruce indicated that William was interested in joining and after a brief discussion about his first project and getting members. Bruce indicated that he would be appointed at the August meeting.
- Hazard Mitigation Grant – None
- Driveway Permit – Cheryl indicated Steve & Patti Twitchell had submitted a permit application and we just needed Ken's approval. Ken indicated they just needed a culvert and he was okay with it. Bruce signed on behalf of the Town.
- Certificate of Appointments – Bruce signed on behalf of the Town as all were appointed at the June 13, 2022 meeting.
- Health Officer Appointment – Bruce signed on behalf of the Town to certify that Mark Belisle was continuing as our Health Officer.
- Park & Ride Grant – Bruce indicated that the Town did not need more parking lot space.

Old Business

- Constable Report – Mark indicated that he still hadn't gotten the radar trailer out of storage.
- Buildings & Grounds – Playground Mulch – Mark and Rachel working on getting it ordered and placed.

Old Business (continued):

- Village Centers – Cheryl indicated that the renewal was submitted after the last meeting but have not heard if approved.
- Cell Tower Update – There might be a temporary mobile tower placed on West Hill if the permitting goes longer than expected.
- GVFD Update – Cheryl indicated they received the invoice from Mark Bannon. Bruce asked to have the invoice submitted for payment and asked to have the report forwarded.
- Website Update – Marilyn indicated that Will Keyworth was willing to help fix the problem once he had access.

Roads:

- Road Foreman Report – Ken indicated that the roadside mowers would be here later this week or next. Culverts orders are 3 months out need a 20' and 13' for a culvert up by Parker's on North Hollow Road. Bruce indicated that we needed to put out a bid. Ken to speak with Jeff Fuller about a few hundred yards of gravel short from the Bowl Mill. Bruce also asked for a proposal for the hazardous tree removal.
- Grants – Bruce to contact Rita Sito for the Grant status for the upcoming year.
- Road Signs – Bruce indicated to make a list of what was needed and order from Correctional Industries in Newport, VT or another sign making business.

Public Comments:

- None presented.

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Items for Next Meeting:

- North Hollow Road Culvert
- Planning Commission Appointments
- Bulletin Board Proposal
- Road Sign Order
- Gravel Status from Pre-Buy
- Website Update
- Tree Removal Proposal

Next meeting will be the regular meeting on August 8, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

Bruce made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. And the room seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl L. Sargeant
Town Clerk