

Granville Selectboard Meeting Minutes

August 8, 2022

APPROVED

In attendance: Bruce Hyde, Chair, Rachel Grigorian and Jennifer Page Stickney, Selectboard; Cheryl L. Sargeant, Town Clerk and Marilyn Dougherty, Website Administrator

Public: Shawn Dougherty, William Brokhof, Walt Englehardt, Valerie Becker, Peter & Julie Parker and Kris & Ron Millard

Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.

Public Communication:

- Ron indicated that the roads were excessively dusty this year and was wondering what the Town's plans were for treatment. After a lengthy discussion Bruce indicated that he would speak with Ken to have the roads treated in selective areas.

Amend/Approve Agenda:

- Nothing presented.

Financial Reports:

- Orders – After a brief discussion Jennifer made the motion to approve the Orders for payment and Rachel seconded. All in favor.
- Reports – Bruce mentioned that the FY2022/2023 reports are complete and the work on the new fiscal year reports is accurate.
- Grants – Cheryl indicated that the Plunkton Road Grant reimbursement was received.
- North Hollow Road Bid Opening – Received 4 bids; ECS \$16,242.00; K&S \$52,400.00; Bellavance \$39,300.00 and Jeremie Bodeck \$91,989.00 After a brief discussion Jennifer made the motion to award the contract to ECS and Rachel seconded. All in favor.
- Culvert Purchase – Bruce indicated the Town purchased culverts through a purchasing program VLCT had to save money.
- Tax Anticipation Load – After a brief discussion Jennifer made the motion to approve the Tax Anticipation Loan and Rachel seconded. All in favor.

Minutes:

- July 11, 2022 - Jennifer made the motion to approve them as written and Rachel seconded. All in favor.

New Business:

- Landscape/Tree Work at Town Hall & Commons – Nancy Needham and Allyson Brown have both offered to weed and mulch the gardens at the Town Hall. Rachel suggested that the blueberries be cleaned out and mulched. William indicated that he has some pine mulch to donate.

New Business (continued):

- Planning Commission Appointments – Brue indicated that Diane Eramo has resigned from the Commission and will forward her e-mail for the record. Joey Trueman will remain through his term and make a decision then. William Brokhof, Tammi Beattie and Michael Reiderer have expressed interest in becoming members. Jennifer made the motion to approve their appointments and Rachel seconded. All in favor.
- Green Mountain Stage Race – September 4, 2022
- Town Hall Rental – October 8, 2022 for a Fall Bazaar
- 100 on 100 Running Race – August 13, 2022

Old Business

- Constable Report – None available
- ARPA Funds – Bruce indicated that the Town needs to work on.
- Playground Mulch - Ken had calculated 40 yards; Rachel said maybe to start with a smaller amount but will look into further and will put the quotes in writing for the next meeting.
- Bulletin Boards – Cheryl indicated that Douglas Fuller had not given her an estimate; will follow up at the September meeting.
- ECFiber Office Lines – Bruce indicated that we will need a new switch and they left a new router once the switch was installed. Still looking into the telephone/alarm lines.
- Cell Tower Update – New application has been submitted and Bruce drafted a letter of support for review. Jennifer made the motion to submit the letter of support and Rachel seconded. All in favor.
- GVFD Update – Jennifer made the motion to approve the payment for the perk test through the fire house capital building account and Rachel seconded. All in favor.
- Website Update – Marilyn indicated that the current website has been taken down and William has been working on securing new domain names. Would like to make the new site cleaner and easier to work with. Marilyn and William will work together and report in September.

Roads:

- Driveway Permit – Cheryl indicated she received a permit application and Ken has already approved the work to be done. Bruce signed on behalf of the Town.

Roads (continued):

- Road Permit – ECFiber submitted a permit to dig up Town Line Road for a connection from one power pole to another power pole through conduit. Bruce signed on behalf of the Town.
- Summer/Fall Road Work – Dust control and Maston Hill grading. Several complaints were heard regarding the roadside mowing that it was too wide. Bruce indicated that it had to be done as grass, brush and trees were incroaching into the roadway and causing problems with snow removal.
- Grants – North Hollow Road just received 4 bids and the bid overran. Bruce will look into the matter with Better Back Roads.
- Road Signs – Bruce indicated that more signs were to be ordered to replace those that were stolen.

Public Comments:

- Walt indicated that he was still waiting on his 911 address. Bruce to speak with Mark. Walt indicated that he now needs a second one.

Items for Next Meeting:

- Knotweed Ron will get information from VTCoverts for the Planning Commission.
- ARPA Fund Ideas for Projects
- Playground Mulch
- Website Status
- Department of Liquor & Lottery License new process for Town
- Status of Pre-Paid Gravel
- Tree Removal Proposal(s)

Next meeting will be the regular meeting on September 12, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

Jennifer made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. And Rachel seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl L. Sargeant
Town Clerk