

Granville Selectboard Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2023

APPROVED

In attendance: Bruce Hyde, Chair, Rachel Grigorian and Kenneth Beattie, Selectboard; Danial Sargeant, Fire Chief; Marilyn Dougherty, Website Administrator and Cheryl L. Sargeant, Town Clerk

Public: Shawn Dougherty

Call to Order: 5:34 p.m.

Public Communication:

- Nothing presented.

Amend/Approve Agenda:

- Nothing presented.

Financial Reports:

- Orders – Bruce indicated that he would like to hold off on paying the invoice to Bannon Engineering for the septic design until the Town looks into grants. Cheryl and Bruce will work with Dan to investigate funding sources for the fire house project. Bruce made the motion to pay the remaining invoices as presented and Rachel seconded. All in favor.
- Reports – Rachel inquired about funding for Dust Control and it was increased for the fiscal year coming up. Bruce made the motion to approve the reports as presented and Rachel seconded. All in favor.
- Grants – Bruce indicated that the Town Hall Window Bid will be opened on May 8th and that they would be signing the application for the FY2024 Grant-in-Aid for a 7 foot round culvert to be installed on Butz Road. Ken to prepare the estimate for Cheryl to finish the application for submittal to Vtrans.
- Town Audit – Bruce left this on the Agenda as he is not certain if the Auditors will perform the year end audit or if the Town will continue with Batchelder Associates.

Minutes:

- March 13, 2023 - Rachel made the motion to approve them as written and Ken seconded. All in favor.

New Business:

- Roof Update – Cheryl indicated that they had finished today and a bill would be sent in the mail for the remaining amount. Bruce asked if any additional work was done and Cheryl indicated that they did not have to perform any additional work.
- Town Hall Yard Sale – Bruce indicated that he had been approached about having a Memorial Day yard sale again on the Town green. After a brief discussion Cheryl volunteered to coordinate the two day event. Residents are invited to bring their wares and to remove them at the end of the day. There will be a bake sale by donation to raise funds for the playground restoration. The Town Hall will be open for bathroom facilities only.

New Business (continued):

- Corner School Letter of Support - Brue indicated that the Corner School asked if the Town would be willing to write a letter of support to be submitted with their grant application for window repairs. Rachel made the motion to write the letter and Bruce seconded. All in favor.
- Green Up Day – Cheryl indicated that everything was all set with a dumpster being delivered to the Grange Hall and the bags have been delivered to the Granville Store and are available at the Town Clerk's Office.
- Local Emergency Management Plan (LEMP) – Mark to update the plan and submit for the Selectboard's signature.
- North Star Rubbish Removal Contract – Ken made the motion to approve the contract and Rachel seconded. All in favor.

Old Business

- Constable Report – None presented.
- GVFD Update – Dan indicated that there is interest in joining First Response in all 3 towns and that the roster was growing with around 20 people. Some need to go through training and other are finishing. Cheryl indicated that Sarah Wraight from Green Mountain Community Development would like to help and get the players in her region to talk with State Emergency Management to share ideas and concerns.
- ARPA Funds – Bruce indicated that one of the projects to start with would be the ADA Accessibility. Rachel indicated that she would share her information with Cheryl to work on a project for submittal.
- Buildings and Grounds Window Bid – Bruce indicated that the Request for Proposals had been advertised and bids would be opened on May 8th.
- Playground Mulch - Rachel will contact suppliers and bring the information to the May 8th meeting for approval so the playground will be ready for summer use.
- Bulletin Boards – Cheryl indicated that Douglas Fuller had not gotten back to her on the delivery date.
- Planning Commission – Nothing presented.
- Cell Tower Update – Bruce indicated that they were still dealing with the Bear issue and they were hoping to negotiate a settlement.

Old Business (continued):

- Website Update – Marilyn indicated that she would like to update the version she is using and will contact the host. She asked if there were members left on the Conservation Commission. Bruce indicated that there are but their terms are expiring; Cheryl to look into what should be done.

Roads:

- Mud Season – It was indicated that this year was pretty gentle compared to past years. Cheryl indicated that she had a few complaints about a slump north of the Granville-Rochester town line on Town Line Road and a few spots on North Hollow Road. Ken indicated that he would start grading possibly on Friday; April 21st.
- Highway Certification of Compliance was signed by the Selectboard as part of the Grant-in-Aid.
- Roadside Mowing – Ken to give K A Bagley a call to see if he would be interested in doing the work again and will update the Selectboard at the May 8th meeting.
- Handly Road Logging Access – Ken will be over there next week and will look in on the project. They may have to haul in material from Tabor to extend the end of the road behind Ronald Boucher's house.

Public Comments:

- Shawn asked what the Town was going to do without the Bowl Mill's gravel. After a discussion it was agreed that the Selectboard needed to speak with Jeff Fuller to find out what his plans were for applying for a permit and getting the 780 yards of gravel owed the Town. Ken to invite Jeff to the May 8th meeting. Cheryl to forward a letter to Bruce received from the Agency of Natural Resources regarding issues stemming from the previous permit.

Items for Next Meeting:

- Town Hall Window Bids
- Winter Road Maintenance Bids
- Playground Mulch
- ARPA Handicap Accessibility
- LEMP Update
- Bulletin Board in East Granville Update
- Roadside Mowing Update
- Bowl Mill Gravel Update

Next meeting will be the regular meeting on May 8, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Rachel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. And Ken seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl L. Sargeant
Town Clerk