

Greensboro Selectboard

FEBRUARY 13, 2013 MEETING

Minutes

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Marsha Gadoury, Peggy Lipscomb, Susan Wood, Anne Stevens

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Warren Hill, Jr.

OTHERS PRESENT: Chief Erwin Salls, Jr., Valdine Hall, Josh Karp, Officer Kevin Lehoe, June Cook, Dan Tanner, Kristen Leahy

CALLED TO ORDER: 7:02 PM

MINUTES

January 7th, 9th 2013 approved as written; January 28, 2013 approved as amended.

PUBLIC CONCERNS

There were no public concerns this evening.

POLICE

Officer Kevin Lehoe told the Board that the H.P.D.'s new building is a much better facility for investigative work. The Dept. will hold an open house on Saturday Feb. 16 from 10 – 1 PM.

ROADS

Road Supervisor Dan Tanner gave the Board an update.

- *Equipment Repairs.* Major repairs recently made to the Red Truck (transmission, clutch).
- *New Grader.* A grader is scheduled to be purchased this year. The Board gave Dan permission to start getting spec. sheets and bids from suppliers.
- *Mailbox Damage.* One of the town trucks smashed Sue and Joe Wood's mailbox. After discussion of similar past incidents, it was agreed that the town is not responsible for damage to personal items located in the town right of way.
- *Gravel Pit.* The town needs to update the Gravel Pit's Act 250 permit; Peggy will take this project on (though she will no longer be a Selectboard member after the March town meeting).
- *Driveways.* The new owner of Calcagni's was recently stuck, and apparently Perry's was not as responsive as she would like. Dan will discuss with Perry's.

GREENSBORO FIRE DEPT.

- The final community meeting has been held; the public hearing for the bond vote will be held on Feb. 26.
- Discussion of whether the Q&A sheet is specific enough, could have more info, and be clearer.
- Chief Salls visited the Albany F.D. and discussed their relatively new fire station with the Albany Chief, who said they had no clerk of the works when their building was under construction; this made the process slow and inefficient.

TOWN CLERK

- Kim Greaves submitted her resignation as town lister, effective March 4. The Board thanked Kim for her service to the town as lister over the past four years.

Discussion of town listers vs. a professional assessor. The assessor would be more expensive, but as the listers' job gets more and more complex it becomes harder for our part-time, citizen listers to perform their job well.

- *Bridge Paperwork.* The Board signed revised paperwork for Bridge #7 (Greensboro Bend).
- *Town Constable.* Discussion of getting rid of this position. H.P.D. Officer Lehoe said that a constable must be part time certified in order to do any law enforcement. Discussion of the liability of having this position filled with untrained personnel. The Board will continue the discussion and consider putting an article in next year's town meeting warning to get rid of the position.
- The Board amended and approved the updated Greensboro Emergency Management document. This is supposed to be updated annually.

OTHER BUSINESS

- The Greensboro Arts Alliance wants to put up a tent on the town hall green sometime this coming summer. It is not clear when and for how long; Valdine will communicate with the director and try to get the details.
- All Selectboard and Road Crew members should take the NIMS test online on an annual basis.
- *Farmers Market.* Peggy proposed the Board allow the Farmers Market to be held at the Town Park near Willey's Store, as the Market members have proposed in the past. After discussion, the Board decided to wait until the Greensboro Association's beautification proposals are complete, as these may affect the Town Park.
- Dan will see to it that two picnic tables are set out in the Town Park in spring.
- Selectboard members thanked Peggy for 'raising the bar' during her tenure as Selectboard Chair, and thanked her for service to the town as Selectboard member.

OLD & ONGOING BUSINESS

- *Town & Lakeview Union School Agreement re: town hall school rooms.*
 - *Cleaning of Collier Room.* There is confusion over who is responsible to clean this room, whether the school or the town. The Board agreed the town will clean the room; Sue will communicate this with the school. The town will also clean the Collier Rm.'s bathroom. The school's custodian will be responsible for cleaning the kitchen adjacent to the Collier Rm.

- *M.O.U. between Town and Lakeview Union School.* Sue reported that the school says they can't afford to install a fire door between the Collier Room and the kitchen. After discussion, the Board agreed that a fire door is not necessary, but that the school still must install a door if they want to use the kitchen. Marsha and Sue will sign the M.O.U. after this change is made.
- *False alarm ordinance letter.* Peggy presented a draft ordinance. No action taken this evening; this will be discussed at a future meeting.
- *Greensboro Association – Village Beautification.* No update.
- *Streetlights.* No action taken.
- *Caspian Lake Public Beach.* Marsha discussed the Beach issue with Hardwick Selectboard chair Kathleen Hemmens. The Hardwick Board doesn't want to do anything about the Beach until the summary judgement comes through. Discussion of whether it would make sense for the Greensboro Board to have a plan in place so the town can act quickly once the summary judgement is handed down.
- *Discussion of Bridge #6 (over Porter brook on the Craftsbury Rd).* Peggy reported that this bridge will be put on VTrans' bridge replacement list. It had a recent short term repair; major repairs will be needed within ten years.
- *Recycling Position.* No one has applied for the recycling job; retiring recycling coordinator Josh Karp proposed that the position's wage be raised to \$11/hr., and that the hours be increased, in order to attract applicants (the increased hours will also allow the recycling center to better serve residents). After discussion, the Board accepted Josh's proposal. Valdine will re-advertise the position, and post the ad in more newspapers and additional spots in the area.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD - KRISTEN LEAHY, Zoning Administrator

Kristen explained that she, the Planning Commission (PC), and Zoning Board (ZBA) are all in favor of changing the ZBA to a 'Development Review Board'. This will put commercial use applications under the sole purview of this new Board, taking the PC out of the review process. This makes sense primarily because the ZBA is used to handling such quasi-judicial matters, and the PC is not. Marsha made the following motion:

The Board accepts the D.R.B. resolution as presented.

The motion was carried (S.W., P.L., A.S. in favor, M.G. recused herself from the vote as she is a member of the Z.B.A.)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board voted unanimously to enter Executive Session at 9:15 PM to discuss Road Crew personnel evaluations, The Greensboro Award, Perrin Rd. legal info from attorney Glen Howland, and Shatney Farm info from attorney Brian Moynahan; Valdine Hall and Dan Tanner will be present.

The Board left Executive Session at 9:40 PM, and took no action.

ADJOURNED: 9:40 PM

Respectfully submitted, Josh Karp, Selectboard Clerk