

# Greensboro Selectboard

July 9, 2014

## Meeting Minutes

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Bridget Collier, Marsha Gadoury, Peter Romans

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Warren Hill, Jr., Susan Wood

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Kim Greaves, Josh Karp, Chief Erwin Salls, Jr., Gina Jenkins, Tom Anastasio, Chief Aaron Cochran, Naomi Ranz-Schleifer, Rick Ely, Linda Ely, June Cook, Dan Tanner, Maggie Altman, Dave Altman, Norman Patenaude, Cilla Bonney-Smith, B.J. Gray, Harold Gray, Judy Waible, Carol Ireland, Terry Ireland, Julie Porrazzo

**CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 PM**

### MINUTES

Minutes from June 11 approved as written.

### PUBLIC CONCERNS

**Upgrading White Rd. – *Joan Schlitt.*** Joan Schlitt has requested that White Rd. be upgraded from a Class IV to a Class III road. Bridget thought that in cases like this, towns typically require the requestor to pay for the upgrade, and the town would then maintain the road to Class III specs. Marsha, Warren, and Dan will meet and discuss the issue. Dan observed that White Rd. is in pretty good shape for a Class IV road.

### POLICE

H.P.D. Chief Aaron Cochran was present and reviewed the June police report with the Board.

### ROADS

#### **1) Road Supervisors Report – Dan Tanner**

- The road crew has been replacing culverts and hauling sand.
- Dan reminded the Board that the transmission of truck #15 will need to be rebuilt at a cost of approx. \$4400.
- Roadside mowing completed, but one road was missed. Dan said the unmown roadside is not an immediate traffic hazard. The Board approved withholding \$500 from the payment to the mowing contractor, to be paid when he completes the job.
- *Overburden Removal at Glover Pit.* Overburden needs to be removed; this will be put out to bid.

- 2) **Town of Glover – Interested in Purchasing Land.** Marsha and Dan met with the Glover Selectboard; the town of Glover is interested in purchasing a portion of Greensboro’s gravel pit property. After discussion, Marsha made the following motion:

*At this time, the town of Greensboro is not interested in selling a portion of its gravel pit property to the town of Glover.*

Peter seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- 3) **Paving Bids.** Two sealed paving bids were opened, from Pike (\$90,397) and Gray’s (\$104,996). Peter made the following motion:

*The town selects Pike Industries for paving this year.*

Marsha seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- 4) **Vogan Rd.** Vogan Rd. is reportedly being repaired.
- 5) **Cedar Hedge at Stump Dump.** Bridget observed that the cedar hedge at the stump dump is growing up into the utility lines. Dan will talk to line clearing contractors about lowering the hedge.
- 6) **Blinking Light near Post Office.** Peter learned that VTrans is fine with the light being removed, and H.P.D. Chief Aaron Cochran agreed that the light doesn’t do much for traffic safety. Bridget made the following motion:

*The town will remove the blinking light at the post office intersection.*

Peter seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

#### **SHORELAND ZONING – DELEGATION FROM STATE OF VT**

Until the delegation paperwork is completed whereby the state allows Greensboro’s shoreland zoning to supersede new statewide shoreland regulations, zoning applications for projects that fall within the state’s definition of ‘shoreland’ must be submitted to and approved by the state.

#### **GREENSBORO FIRE DEPT.**

- 1) Chief Erwin Salls, Jr. reported that there was much interest in the new fire station during the July 5 open house.
- 2) The G.F.D. is still moving out of the old fire house.
- 3) Chief Salls reported that town will be receiving a \$10k generator grant from FEMA (25/75 cost share).

#### **TOWN CLERK – Kim Greaves**

- 1) **Tax Anticipation Note.** The Board unanimously approved the tax anticipation note.
- 2) **Hill Farmstead Brewery – Festival.** Shaun Hill is requesting approval to hold a special event called ‘The Festival of Farmhouse Ales’ on August 15-17 from 9 AM to 11:59 PM each day. Discussion of traffic issues and whether there’s a need for traffic control, possibly by the H.P.D. The Board approved the event, and Peter will discuss the town’s traffic concerns with Shaun Hill.

## **ONGOING BUSINESS**

- 1) Willey Beach Committee.** John Mackin, Peter Romans, Naomi Ranz-Schliefer and Bridget Collier met and discussed parking options at the entrance to the town's Willey Beach property (between Altmans and the Parsonage). John, Peter and Naomi liked the idea of three or four parking spaces with minimal screening (trees/shrubs) right next to the main road, while Bridget favored a larger parking area with approx. 10 parking spaces and more screening. Discussion of each approach. Peter and Naomi felt that changes to the undeveloped parcel should be minimal, and as such parking should also be minimal. Bridget felt that maximizing parking spaces would be an opportunity to create public access to the parcel, while at the same time adding needed parking spaces to the village as a whole.

Discussion continued. It was generally agreed that the Willey Beach property won't make a good boat launch due to the concrete retaining wall at the water's edge. Additionally, the milfoil wash point, located at the public beach, would be bypassed if boats were launched from the parcel.

The Board tabled further discussion. The issue will be discussed by the full Board at the August 13 meeting.

Marsha made the following motion:

*The Willey Beach access will be flagged off, and there will be no public parking on the lot until the Board decides how the lot is to be developed.*

Peter seconded the motion, which carried (M.G., P.R. in favor, B.C. against).

- 2) Cemetery Commission Update.** Peter made the following motion:

*Patsy Mercier is authorized to sell lots.*

Marsha seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

No one else has been found to serve on the Cemetery Commission.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

- 1) Policy for Projects that Affect Town Property & Roads.** Tabled.
- 2) Mary Hewes – Request.** Mary Hewes requested that Summer Music from Greensboro be allowed to use the Town Hall green on July 29 for a food fair before the concert in the Arts Alliance Tent. The Board unanimously approved Mary's request.
- 3) Kingdom Games – Caspian Swim.** Kingdom Games (Newport) is requesting approval from the town to hold swims on Caspian Lake on Aug. 17. The Board unanimously approved the request.
- 4) Recreation Committee.** Valdine Hall submitted a letter of resignation from the recreation committee. The Board accepted her resignation, and thanked Valdine for serving on the committee for the past 10 years.
- 5) Open Meeting Law.** Agendas must be posted to the town website, municipal office, and two other public places at least 48 hours prior to any regular meeting. It was agreed that agendas will now be posted at Willey's Store and Smith's Store, in addition to the town hall and town website. The town will purchase a bulletin board for Smith's store to be used for town business, if the store approves. The new deadline to submit agenda items for the

Selectboard's monthly meeting will be the first Monday of the month, at 4:00 PM (the Monday prior to the week of the meeting).

**ADJOURNED: 8:58 PM**

*Respectfully Submitted: Josh Karp, Selectboard Clerk*

*AMENDED 8/18/14 J.K.*