

Greensboro Selectboard

January 8, 2014 – Meeting Minutes

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bridget Collier, Marsha Gadoury, Anne Stevens, Susan Wood, Warren Hill, Jr.

SELECTBOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

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

CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 PM

MINUTES

Minutes from December 11, 2013 approved as amended.

PUBLIC CONCERNS

There were no public concerns this evening.

POLICE

The Board reviewed the December police report.

ROADS

Road Supervisor Dan Tanner reported to the Board.

- The recent ice storm could have been a lot worse.
- The town is out of road salt; more has been ordered.
- Specs for the new town truck have been drawn up.
- Discussion on sidewalks tabled until next month's meeting.

FIRE STATION COMMITTEE

Chief Erwin Salls, Jr. reported to the Board.

- Contractor E.F. Wall is running two weeks behind on the new fire station due to weather.
- Chief Salls would like to apply for a grant to purchase and install a generator at the new fire station. The minimum recommended size to run the building would be an 8kw unit. The grant would likely be a 50/50 matching grant, with the town's share being \$3,500 – \$5,500. Bridget made the following motion:

The Board approves the Fire Dept. seeking a matching grant for a generator at the new fire station.

Sue seconded the motion, which carried (S.W., M.G., B.C., A.S. in favor; W.H. abstained as Chair).

- The water line to the new fire station cost \$124k.

TOWN CLERK

- *Town Hall Furnace Replacement.* No update.
- FY 2014 budget YTD reviewed by the Board.
- FY 2015 draft budget reviewed. Bridget made the following motion:
The Board approves the FY 2015 budget, and thanks Valdine Hall and the Budget Committee for a job well done.

Sue seconded the motion, which carried (S.W., M.G., B.C., A.S. in favor; W.H. abstained as Chair).

- *2013 Audit Review.* Tabled until next month.
- *Warning.* A special meeting to sign the warning will be held on Wed. Jan. 29 at 7 PM.
- *Auditors.* Discussion of getting rid of the town auditor position, and hiring a professional to perform their duties. Bridget made the following motion:

An article will be added to the Warning asking the voters if they would like to do away with the office of town auditor.

Anne seconded the motion, which carried (S.W., M.G., B.C., A.S. in favor; W.H. abstained as Chair).

OTHER & ONGOING BUSINESS

- *Theater Committee.* Bridget reported that a major potential donor has concluded that turning the Town Hall into a theater is too complicated a project. Factors included the school's and town's extensive use of the building.
- *Current Use.* Warren reported that the legislature has become aware that some local listers have been over-appraising property enrolled in the Current Use program, in order to keep town tax rates down; property owners tend not to contest these higher valuations because the Current Use tax rate is very low. This issue may soon be investigated state-wide.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Bridget made the following motion:

The Board will enter Executive Session at 8:07 PM to discuss a personnel issue, with Valdine Hall present.

Marsha seconded the motion, which carried (S.W., M.G., B.C., A.S. in favor; W.H. abstained as Chair).

The Board left Executive Session at 8:15 PM and took no action.

ADJOURNED: 8:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted: Josh Karp, Selectboard Clerk