

**Town of Grafton
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, January 15, 2019**

Members Present: Jennie Joyce, Chairman, Leon Dugan, Steve Darrow, Sue Smith (recorder)

Others Present: John Babiarz, Maureen O'Reilly, Bob Bassett, Roseanne Kramer

The meeting was called to order at 6pm.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Steve motioned to accept the minutes of December 18, 2018 and January 9, 2019. Leon seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Selectmen Announcements: None

Ex-Officio Reports: None

Public Comment: None

Appointments:

Scott Clang did not show for his scheduled appointment at 6:15pm to discuss the availability of winter sand.

Jeff Cogswell did not show for his scheduled appointment at 6:30pm to discuss the recycle rules and regulations with regards to the construction/demo container. Bob Bassett did explain to the Board that Jeff's son came to the Recycle Center on a Wednesday and asked if he could bring construction debris from Meredith, NH and dump it at the Grafton Recycle Center. Bob informed the Board that he told Jeff's son 'no'.

Bonnie Haubrich called earlier in the day to inform the Board that she may not be able to attend her scheduled appointment regarding 20 Birch Lane. The Board did discuss 20 Birch Lane, a property that they took for tax deed in August 2018 and decided to issue an eviction notice to the previous owners.

New Business:

Final Review of 2019 Warrant Articles – The selectmen removed the warrant article requesting a computer for emergency management as this can be purchased with either FEMA monies or hazard mitigation monies that were refunded to the Town in 2019.

The selectmen and Bob discussed the roll-off truck warrant article and decided to change to wording to purchase a 2014 International Roll-off Truck for \$84,900. \$54,000 will come from the Highway Capital Reserve Fund, \$10,000 from the Roll-off Truck Capital Reserve Fund and \$20,900 will come from the Recycle Center Revolving Fund. This warrant article will have no impact on taxation. Bob stated that he will speak with the Trustees of the Trust Fund to make sure that they will support taking monies from the Highway Capital Reserve Fund. Ed Grinley will be contacted to ask the Budget Committee to have a meeting to make a recommendation on this warrant article.

Other Business/Correspondence:

Abatement Applications – Gunnerson (Map 1 Lot 397). The Board agreed with the recommendation from Avitar Associates and approved the application. Dickson (Map 15 Lot 275-A-3). The Board agreed with the recommendation from Avitar Associates and denied that application.

Engagement Agreement with DTC Lawyers – Jennie signed the engagement agreement with DTC Lawyers per the recommendation from Mitchell Municipal Group, P.A.

The Board reviewed and discussed the following correspondence:

- PFAS Sampling Report from Horizons Engineering. All the samples came back ‘not detected’ for PFAS.
- Letter from Avitar Associates re: mailings for Data Verification. Avitar Associates will be sending out written notifications to property owners prior to any data verification visits.
- Email from Mike Samson, Canaan Town Administrator re: Town of Canaan’s acquisition of Canaan Ambulance.
- Email from Leif Jopek, President, Canaan F.A.S.T., Inc regarding Town of Canaan’s acquisition of Canaan Ambulance.
- Community Action Report re: December 13, 2018 visit
- Letter from DRA re: the 2018 Cyclical review.
- Response from Grafton Ambulance re: letter to the Grafton Fire and Ambulance Auxiliary about reimbursing private organizations. After a brief discussion, the Board stated that this topic will need further looking into to resolve purchasing and reimbursement issues.

Public Comment:

Roseanne Kramer stated that the Friends of Grafton Library and the Library Trustees have discussed the option of turning the PAC building into a library should the Town get ownership of said property. Roseanne asked that the selectmen to keep this in mind pending the outcome of court. Jennie stated that the decision from the court will not be made on February 4, 2019 and that acquiring the building is a different issue.

Final Comments from Selectmen: None

Leon motioned to adjourn. Jennie second. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Smith, Administrative Assistant