

**Town of Grafton
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, July 11, 2017**

Members Present: Merle Kenyon, Chairman, Jennie Joyce, Leon Dugan, Sue Smith (recorder)

Others Present: Travis Anderson, John Babiarz, Bob Bassett, Wesley Joyce, Archie “Nate” Judd

The meeting was called to order at 6pm.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Leon motioned to accept the minutes of June 6, 2017. Jennie second. Merle abstained. Motion passed.

Leon motioned to accept the non-public minutes of June 6, 2017. Jennie second. Merle abstained. Motion passed.

Merle motioned to accept the minutes of June 20, 2017. Jennie second. Leon abstained. Motion passed.

Jennie motioned to accept the non-public minutes of June 20, 2017. Merle seconded. Leon abstained. Motion passed.

Selectmen Announcements:

Leon informed the Board that he had a couple of residents approach him regarding two separate road issues. The first issue was grading on Orange Pond Road and a portion of a resident’s lawn was removed. The Highway Dept graded the road within the town right of way where the portion of lawn was removed. The second issue involved a temporary drive-way permit and 6-inch rock. The Highway Department resolved the issue this morning.

Ex-Officio Reports: None

Appointments:

Leon motioned to go into non-public session with Archie “Nate” Judd in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II(c) regarding a complaint at the Recycle Center at 6:21pm.

Jennie motioned to come out of non-public session and to seal the minutes. Merle seconded. Motion passed.

Public session resumed at 6:45pm.

Merle announced that the Board will take the complaint under advisement.

There was a brief discussion about the metals container and what to do about it in the future; allowing the public to remove metals for personal use vs. having the recycle center attendants remove metals for the public vs. not allowing any metals to the public. No decisions were made.

New Business:

Kilton Pond Huff Beach – The Board reviewed and discussed some pictures and complaints about the condition of Huff Beach. It was noted that Barry from JBC Septic issued a complaint on Friday, July 7, 2017. Barry was not able to clean the portable toilet due to the abundance of trash, clothing and other misc. items inside the portable toilet. Sue informed the Board that Officer Kraus came in the office on Friday, July 8th with a picture of a picnic table in Kilton Pond off of Huff Beach. That table is now completely under water. Jennie stated that she did a site visit of Huff Beach on Saturday, July 8th and found the portable toilet over the bank and trash on the ground. Bob took pictures of Huff Beach on Monday, July 10th of the portable toilet (same condition as found on July 8th) and the trash on the ground. Bob also mentioned that he has seen empty glass bottles on the beach. Jennie reminded the Board that a few years ago a child cut their foot because of broken glass. Due to the vandalism, the portable toilet roof and floor will need to be repaired. It has been moved to the recreation field. Leon suggested having an additional sign made for Huff Beach about following the rules. The Selectmen will work on the verbiage for the sign. John Babiarz stated that the Fire Dept could help look for the picnic table that is now underwater. The Board will be speaking with the Police Chief about different options in helping find those who are responsible for the vandalism at Huff Beach.

Special State Primary – The Special State Primary will be held Tuesday, July 18, 2017 from 8am to 7pm at the Fire Station. At least one selectman will help set-up voting booths the night before.

Other Business/Correspondence:

The Board reviewed and discussed the following from the action item list:

- The Board will have a meeting on Thursday, July 13, 2017, 11am at Grafton Pond Road/Grafton Pond about the parking issue.

The Board reviewed and discussed the following correspondence:

- Two separate letters from Dept of Health and Human Services Food Protection Section regarding Food Service License Applications at 12 Liberty Lane and 77 Johnson Lane
- Letter from NHDES regarding 5 Johnson Lane restoration work. An extension has been granted until September 15, 2017 to complete the work.
- Letter from NHDRA re: 2016 Cyclical Monitoring of Avitar Associates. No issues were found.
- Newsletter from VNH (Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and NH)
- Letter from FairPoint Communications regarding the merger with Consolidated Communications.
- Approval for Operation for Map 11 Lot 424
- Approvals for Construction for Map 11 Lot 909 and Map 11E Lot 614
- State Driveway Permit for Map 6 Lot 927
- Letter from NH Division of Public Health Services re: testing at Kilton Pond Huff Beach. No issues reported.
- Email from Jean Alexander with concerns regarding signage blocking the intersection of Route 4 and Prescott Hill Rd. The Board and Bob had a brief discussion about placing signage on the opposite side of Route 4 and Prescott Hill Road.
- Email from Cindy Kudlik asking about the placement of political signs on Town Property. The Board had a brief discussion and did state that political signs should not be on town property.

- Copy of the Department of Safety Official Audit Report of the Municipal Registration Agent. No issues found.

Final Comments from the Selectmen:

Jennie stated that she brought a discussion up during the last Safety Committee meeting regarding the old Town Clerk office space being turned into the Welfare Office. Jennie asked Bob and John if they had a chance to look at the space. Both Bob and John stated that they did look at the space and felt it would not be a safe place for the welfare office as two egresses could not be placed on the same wall. The discussion turned to the possibility of having the Police Department use the space as an interview room/holding cell. No decisions were made.

Jennie motioned to adjourn. Merle seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Smith, Administrative Assistant