

**Town of Grafton
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, June 20, 2017**

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

Members Absent: Leon Dugan

Others Present: John and Rosalie Babiarz, Vincent Migliore, Bob Bassett, Maureen O'Reilly, Catherine Mulholland, Russell Poitras, Donna Dugan, Dotti Ernst, Kathy Lund, Gretchen Renee

The meeting was called to order at 6pm.

Acceptance of Minutes: Tabled until next scheduled meeting.

Selectmen Announcements:

Merle informed the Board that the new part-time police officer will soon begin part-time police academy.

Jennie informed the Board that a property owner on Slab City Road is claiming to have 2 driveways. Jennie stated that she spoke to Bob about the 2nd driveway. The property owner did submit a proposed plan and was given a final approval by a different road agent. However, the 2nd driveway was not constructed according to the plan/permit. Jennie instructed Bob to place rocks in front of the 2nd driveway until further notice.

Ex-Officio Reports: None

Appointments:

Vincent Migliore introduced himself as a candidate for State Representative District 9, which covers 6 towns. As a private citizen, Vincent has had experience with initiating and sponsoring legislation. He is currently serving his 10th year on the Newfound School Board. Mr. Migliore thanked the Board for their time.

Donna Dugan came before the Board to inform them that Hypertherm has a program that offers community service to surrounding towns from its employees. Donna is in charge of organizing this program and if the Town is interested in using this volunteer service, she will need at least a couple weeks notice to get a schedule together.

Jennie motioned to go into non-public session with Donna Dugan in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II(c) regarding communication within the police department at 6:30pm. Merle seconded. Motion passed.

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

Public session resumed at 7pm.

Merle announced that the Police Department will be working on better communication within the department.

Gretchen Renee came before the Board with concerns of future road work on Height of Land Road. Gretchen stated that she is concerned that the underground springs that feed her wells will be re-routed from the road work. The Board asked Bob what the plans were for Height of Land Road. Bob stated that the road crew will be stumping alongside the road across from Gretchen's house and will be working on Del'Etoile's corner. After a brief discussion with Gretchen, the Board stated that they will set up a time to do a site visit of Height of Land Rd.

Dotti Ernst came before the Board to give an update with regards to coverage from Canaan Ambulance. Canaan Ambulance is offering a proposed 3 year contract to cover Grafton on 1st tone instead of 3rd tone. The coverage period runs Monday through Friday between the hours of 6am and 6pm. This proposal allows the Grafton Volunteer Ambulance members to be part of in-house training as well as an invitation to apply for membership with the Canaan Ambulance. The coverage would start July 1, 2017 and there are funds in the current ambulance budget to cover the first six months of the contract (July to December). Dotti informed the Board that there are only 3 people from Grafton that presently are able to do calls: John Babiarz, Kathy Lund with Dotti Ernst doing the driving. After a brief discussion, Jennie motioned to accept Canaan's proposal for ambulance coverage. Merle seconded. Motion passed. The contract will be signed on or by July 1, 2017.

New Business:

The Board signed the Contribution Assurance Program (CAP) Workers' Compensation Program CY 2018-CY 2020 contract and Property and Liability Program FY 2019 – FY 2021 contract.

Huff Beach – Bob reported the following to the Board: There were several empty beer cans and bottles all over the beach, the BBQ grills and chairs were broken and a picnic table was in the pond. Bob stated that he took the broken items to the Recycle Center that day. Bob also stated that the rope swing is back and that there are fiber-glass and wooden steps going up a tree to the rope swing. Bob stated that he does not mind volunteering to bring the garbage to the recycle center but that he should not be the one to clean up the mess that was all over the beach. The Board talked about placing a game camera within the beach area, but no decisions were made.

July Meeting Schedule – The Board will meet on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 , 6pm at the Fire Station instead of the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays in July.

Other Business/Correspondence:

The Board reviewed the following from the action item list:

- The following options were given with regards to selling the 1972 Fire Truck: 1) Absolute auction in Bradford on July 14, 2017. The Town will pay a 10% fee and the purchaser pays 15% buyers fee to the auctioneer; 2) On-line auction through St. Jean Auctioneers. The Town pays a \$250 listing fee and purchaser pays a 10% buyers premium. The Town has more control with this auction; and 3) State of NH auction on Oct.14th. The Town pays a 5% fee and the purchaser pays a 10% buyers premium. The vehicle would have to be in Concord by Oct.5th. After a brief discussion, the Board decided to go with option 2.

The Board signed the Animal Warrant and will return to the Town Clerk for processing.

Correspondence was tabled until the next meeting.

Final Comments from the Selectmen: None

Merle motioned to adjourn. Jennie second. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Smith, Administrative Assistant