

**Greene Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
January 14, 2013**

Minutes will not become official until accepted at the next Regular Selectmen's Meeting January 28, 2013.

Members present: Don Bedford, Tony Reny - Acting Chairman, Charles Noonan – Town Manager, Kevin Mower, Mark Christman and Sally Ann Hebert –Recording Secretary.

Members absent: – Ronald Grant on vacation.

Staff present: Bruce Tufts

Others present: Representative Stephen Wood and Robert Stevens.

This meeting was televised

I. Call to Order

Tony Reny - acting chairman called the Board of Selectmen's meeting to order at 7:00PM.

II. Public Discussion

Representative Stephen Wood discussed with the Board of Selectmen the Governor's Supplemental and Biannual Budget Bills; he is not in favor of the cutback of State Revenue Sharing to the towns. He reported that these budget bills have the sales tax going up 1 cent, doing away with business deductions, funding for schools, towns picking up 50% retirement costs for teachers. Charlie reported the town will lose approximately \$ 689,000 (2 mil increase).

Rep. Wood said he has put a bill in to allow the towns to stock their own ponds with fish.

III. Acceptance of Minutes

Don Bedford motioned to waive the reading of the minutes, and to approve the acceptance of the minute's dated December 10th and December 31st meetings upon signature of acting chairman, Tony Reny's signature. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

IV. Treasurers Report

Charlie Noonan reported a balance on hand after today's warrant of \$ 742,450.56. The report in the Selectmen's packet reflects the 3/12ths and 6/12ths 2012 budget until Town Meeting.

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V. Roads

The highway crew has had some overtime due to the timing of the storms. They have been chipping brush, hauling sand, and working on the equipment.

Bruce Tufts said the new truck is running good. The 2011 truck needs a new snap block heater.

V1. Old Business

A. Dispatch/PSAP

Don Bedford motioned for Charles Noonan to sign the Dispatch contract with Androscoggin County January 1 – January 31, 2013 in the amount of \$906.25 (\$ 2.50 per capita); due February 1, 2013. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Don Bedford motioned for Charles Noonan to sign the PSAP contract with Androscoggin County January 1 – December 31, 2013 in the amount of \$8,700.00 (\$ 2.50 per capita); due July 1, 2013. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

B. Flea Market Petition – Public Hearing February 11

The Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing at 7pm on February 11th at the Greene Town Office. This is to discuss the citizen's petition to anul, rescind the Greene Flea Market Ordinance.

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on the update Floodplain Ordinance at a later date.

C. Other

None.

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VII. New Business

a. Radio Grant

Charlie discussed with the Board the ongoing problems with radio communication with the Fire and Rescue Department in different locations in Greene. Charlie, Bruce Tufts, Phil Lavoie met with a representative from Maine Radio to discuss this situation and how it can be remedied. They need for a new repeater with new equipment at a better location than Fire Station. There are monies in a Homeland Security Grant.

Kevin Mower motion to grant Charlie permission to apply for a grant from Homeland Security to purchase the upgraded equipment. Mark Christman 2nd the motion.

b. Town Report Bids

Charlie reported two bids was received, Sally Ann Hebert and Charlie reviewed the bids.

Mark Christman motioned to follow Charlie and Sally's recommendation to award the bid for printing the 2012 Annual Town Report to Park Street Press in the amount of \$ 3106.00. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

c. Budget Committee Jan 17 6:30PM

The Budget Committee is meeting Thursday Jan 17th at 6:30 PM. Kevin Mower cannot make the meeting.

d. Audit

Charlie reported the Auditors have completed the onsite 2012 audit; they have sent letters out to banks, etc waiting for their replies. Charlie reported that Susan has done a great job for the short time employed. Carol and Sally's work all checked out good.

The audit report will continue to report that the Deputy Treasurer is not to work The counter. The Board discussed this; the town does not have the monies to hire another person. Her work on the counter has been eliminated as much as can be.

Tony Reny reported he was in the office last week and was disturbed on how the office staff was treated from a customer.

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e. Cherry Pond Next ERA

Charlie reported he attended a meeting of the Coalition of towns along Androscoggin River concerning Next Era regarding the process of Cherry Pond recreation area. There needs to be a current traffic study done when the area is being used.

Charlie is to sign a letter from the coalition responding to NEXT ERA's report. .

f. Bank authorization

Mark Christman motioned to sign the form for Monmouth Federal Credit Union removing Harry Childs name and add Susan Buzzell. Don Bedford 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

g. Other

Rep Wood stated Senator Garret Mason is on the redistricting committee. The redistrict may affect Greene and Sabattus.

Rep Wood may be submitting a bill to have open primary voting if he can get enough sponsor support.

VIII.Appointments

None.

IX. Committee Reports

Tony Reny reported the Conservation Commission is planning a day with Cub and Boy Scouts on Hooper Pond.

X. Assessment Questions & Abatements/Supplement

The Board will act on town foreclosed property in a week or two.

X. Announcements

Tony read the announcements aloud. Tony announced the following have submitted Nomination papers: Don Bedford, Ron Grant, Glenn Chateauvert and Robert Stevens Selectmen and Dianna Morgan for School Board Director.

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XI. Selectmen Acceptance & Signing of Weekly Warrant

Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # **01** dated **1/7/13** of \$ **10,228.63**. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # **02** dated **1/7/13** of \$ **22,456.61**. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # **03** dated **1/14/13** of \$ **9,422.98**. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # **04** dated **1/14/13** of \$ **280,713.30**. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Julia Adams Morse Library Warrant # **01** dated **1/14/13** of \$ **1,022.28**. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

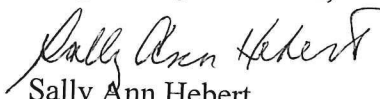
Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Cable Warrant # **13-1** dated **1/7/13** of \$ **140.99**. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

XII. Adjournment


Don Bedford motioned that the Board adjourn. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The Selectmen's meeting adjourned at 7:55PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Sally Ann Hebert
Recording Secretary

Approved and accepted,


Anthony Reny, Acting Chairman
Board of Selectmen