

**Greene Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
February 25, 2002**

Minutes will not become official until accepted at the next Regular Selectmen's Meeting March 11, 2002.

Members present: Ronald Grant – Chairman, Mark Christman, Timothy Doyle, Kevin Mower, Michael Parshall, Stephen Eldridge – Town Manager, and Sally Ann Hebert – Recording Secretary.

Members absent: None.

Others present: Approximately 85 members from the community (some did not sign the sign in sheet). Please sign in sheet attached.

Public Hearing

Ronald Grant called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 PM.

CDBG Grant Application

Ronald Grant, Chairman, Board of Selectmen called the CDBG Grant Application Public Hearing to order at 7:00 PM. Steve Eldridge, Town Manager of Greene, went over the application briefly with the approximately 85 members from the communities present. There was representation from the Towns of Leeds, Monmouth and Wales. There was discussion on the feasibility study if the study would cover all four towns involved. The group in attendance were in favor of the Towns applying for the grant.

Land Use Ordinance Repeal – Article 39

Ron moved the Public Hearing onto the discussion of the petition to repeal the Greene Land Use Ordinance after introducing Sheldon Bubier, Steve Creamer, Charles Cloutier, and Ron Gauthier from the group to repeal the Ordinance; along with Frank Hemple for State Planning Office and John Maloney from AVCOG. There was a lot of discussion on how this was brought about and how a vote either way would impact the community. There was a lot of discussion from citizens of the community, members of the Greene Planning Board, Greene Land Use Ordinance Review Committee, Board of Selectmen, and members from the group that requested the repeal. The public hearings was over at 8:25 PM. The Board let the room clear out before starting their regular meeting.

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I. Call to Order

Ron called the regular Board of Selectmen's meeting to order at 8:35 PM.

II. Public Discussion

There was none discussed at this meeting.

III. Acceptance of Minutes – February 11, 2002

Kevin Mower motioned to waive the reading of the minutes, to approve the acceptance of the minutes of the February 11th meetings upon signature of Chairman, Ronald Grant. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

IV. Unfinished Business

a. Treasurer's Report

Steve reported the Town's fund balance as of February 11th is \$ 919,888.63. The \$ 400.00 error was found and corrected, it had to do with the auditor's adjusting beginning balance. Excise tax collection is 14% above of last year at this time.

b. Roads

Steve reported that the Highway Department graded Leeds Junction Road over the weekend as the road was impassable due to the frost coming out of the roads. The Board directed Steve to get figures on making the Leeds Junction Road passable for Town Meeting on Saturday along with figures for Barrel Shop Road. . Part of Leeds Junction Road is under the water table and need to be built up. Barrel Shop Road also needs to have some work done in the near future. The Town has to use the road standards on rebuilding the roads.

The roads have been posted and any commercial business that needs to go over the posted roads is to contact Steve and the Town Office.

c. Other

There was none discussed at this meeting.

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V. New Business

a. First Refusal/Androscoggin Grange

The Board unanimously decided to change the effective date to Monday after March Town Meeting 2027 and to change 30 days to 90 days for the Town of Greene to accept or refuse the first refusal.

Timothy Doyle motioned to have Steve Eldridge, Town Manager, sign the first refusal on behalf of the Town with recommended changes. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Town Manager Review

The Board will discuss this at the end of the meeting.

c. Audit Letter Review

Steve will have the reply to the audit letter at the March 11th meeting with the recommended changes.

d. Other

Steve reported that the taxes will be balanced by the March 11th meeting.

VI. Committee Reports

Michael Parshall reported on the Sabattus Lake Dam Commission Meeting. The Commission listened to Aurele Boulette from Sabattus Lake Commission concerns on the water level and met with the owner of a mill downstream of the splash boards. There was no decision and will continue as status quo.

VII. CEO Report/Monthly

There was no report tonight. Ron reported that he was in the office on a Saturday and saw Debra Parks at work. He reported that he was impressed with her professionalism.

VIII. Assessment Questions & Abatements

There was none discussed at this meeting.

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IX. Announcements

Ron read the announcements and added that there is a meeting at Monmouth on Thursday February 28th at 6:30 PM.

Ron also thanked Michael Parshall and Mark Christman for their service on the Board of Selectmen.

X. Selectmen Acceptance & Signing of Weekly Warrant

Michael Parshall motioned to sign the Town of Greene Warrant of \$ 31,382.43. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Michael Parshall motioned to sign the Julia Adams Morse Warrant of \$ 826.03. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed

Michael Parshall motioned to sign the Ella Augusta Thompson Warrant of \$ 3,581.15. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The Board also announced that they went to Helen Johnson's home on Monday February 18th to present her with the first copy of the Town Report and a framed copy of the dedication to her husband "Stub" Johnson who passed away December 7, 2001.


XI. Executive Session

Mark Christman motioned to go into executive session at the Town Office to do the annual Town Manager review and will not come back into regular session. The meeting adjourned to executive session at 9:00 PM.


XII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned from executive session at 10:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Sally Ann Hebert
Recording Secretary

Approved and accepted,


Ronald I. Grant, Chairman
Board of Selectmen