

**Greene Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
March 9, 2009**

Minutes will not become official until accepted at the next Regular Selectmen's Meeting March 23, 2009.

Members present: Tony Reny, Timothy Doyle, Mark Christman, Kevin Mower, Ronald Grant Chairman, Charles Noonan – Town Manager and Sally Ann Hebert – Recording Secretary.

Staff present: None.

Members absent: None.

Others present: None.

I. Call to Order

Ron Grant - Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

II. Public Discussion

Ron Grant reported that the Lewiston Sun Paper made an error publishing that \$100,000.00 was appropriated for the Allen Pond Boat Launch; the actual vote was to take \$10,000.00 from Capital Reserve. Ron also thanked everyone who came to the annual meeting. The discussion on the new town office was well debated and civil. There will be a Special Town Meeting later this year to approve the funding.

III. Acceptance of Minutes – February 23, 2009

Tony Reny motioned to waive the reading of the minutes; to approve the acceptance of the minutes dated February 23rd meeting upon signature of Chairman, Ron Grant. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Charlie Noonan reported a balance on hand after today's warrant of \$ 925,837.31. Excise Tax collected thru the end of February is 92% of 2008 year to date.

V. Roads

The roads are all posted for weight limit on trucks over 23,000#. This spring has been rough on the roads. The gravel roads went from ice on Friday to 6" of mud on Sunday. The paved roads are cracking due to the temperatures of freezing to thawing. If there is a pothole to be patched, please call the town office to notify them of the location.

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VI. Old Business

a. Tax Appeal February 25, 2009 – 2:00 PM County court House

Ron Grant attended the Tax Appeal Hearing; no decision has been received yet.

b. Personnel Policy

The Board discussed the changes on the Personnel Policy. The Board discussed at length the hours of operation for the highway department, town office. Comp time was discussed at length; decision to limit to 40 hours per calendar year and no carry over the following year all unused comp time has to be used by December 31, 2009. Sick leave will now be personal days off; accumulation will be 240 hours. Upon separation personal time will be paid at 50% and vacation time at 100%. The Highway Department will be paid for regular time and Holiday time when working on a holiday. Inclement weather will be at the discretion of the Town Manager, Chair of Board of Selectmen, and in the absence of above; quorum of Board of Selectmen. Vacation time will be earned at the anniversary date of the first year; after first year of employment it will be awarded on January 1st.

Charlie is to check on the legality, if an employee is absent 30 days, can personal time not be earned. Charlie is also to check with the Department of Labor if any other types of harassment should be included in the Personnel Policy.

This policy has to be reviewed yearly with the employees.

The Board will vote on the changes at the next meeting.

c. Town Meeting

Ron Grant reported that 63 residents voted on Saturday and 100 attended Town Meeting on Saturday.

d. County Commissioners Meeting March 4, 2009

Charlie and Ron attended the meeting when the petition was presented to start working on a charter commission. They could not tell which way the commissioners were leaning. They are going to review at other County Commissioner Charters from all over the country. The Charter will take away power from the commissioners have an administrator. This is a whole new commission and the petitioners don't want to wait until trouble brews again with the commissioners to have a plan in place before.

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e. Boston Post Cane

The Board will award the Boston Post Cane to Barbara Nelson and Sally Ann Hebert is to set up the presentation.

f. FEMA

Charlie Noonan reported that \$68,154.08 has been received. The State of Maine has put their portion into their 2009 budget to cover their share of reimbursement to towns.

Charlie also reported that he has submitted an estimate for the storm two weeks ago to FEMA for reimbursement.

g. Tax Liens

The Board reviewed the lists of back taxes in their packet. Tim Doyle motioned to have Charlie write letters to all personal property taxpayers owing any taxes 2005 and beyond giving them a 60-90 day notice; if not paid a Sheriff's auction will be held to recoup tax monies of personal property taxes. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. The Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tim Doyle motioned to have Charlie write letters to all real estate taxpayers owing any taxes 2005 and beyond, if they have set a payment arrangement and miss a payment, then the property will be foreclosed upon. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. The vote was unanimous.

h. Other

None.

VI. New Business

a. Election of Officers/Committee Appointments

Tim Doyle motioned to elect Ronald Grant as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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The Board members agreed to stay on the same committees as Selectmen Representatives:

Kevin Mower –	Appeals Board Land Use Ordinance Capital Improvement Committee
Tony Reny -	Planning Board Conservation Commission Solid Waste Committee Parks & Recreation Committee
Tim Doyle -	Budget Committee Cable TV Committee Fire Department Benevolent Fund Greene Community Scholarship Committee
Mark Christman –	Greene Economic & Community Development Group Sabattus Lake Dam Commission
Ron Grant -	Julia Adams Morse Library Expansion Committee

Mark Christman motioned Charles Noonan as Town Manager, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Road Commissioner, Tax Collector, General Assistance Administrator for one year. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tony Reny motioned to appoint Sally Ann Hebert as Registrar of Voters for one year, Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tony Reny motioned to appoint Carol E. Buzzell as Inland Fisheries & Wildlife Clerk and Motor Vehicle Agent for one year. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Tony Reny motioned to appoint Alden Peterson as Emergency Management Director, 911 Addressing Coordinator Officer, and E911 Consolidation Committee for one year. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motion to appoint Don Bedford, Joanne Boyington, Michael Childs, Richard Clark, Robert Conklin, Sally Ann Hebert, Michael Stephanak, and Brenda Theriault to the Cable TV Committee for one year. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tony Reny motioned to appoint Peter Jolicoeur, Philippe Moreau, Brenda Theriault, Don Bedford, Joe Brown, Sheldon Bubier, Phil Lavoie, Alden Peterson, Bruce Tufts, Steve Goulet, George Farris Jr, David Lepage, Daniel Moreau along with Carol Buzzell, Charles Noonan and Randy Ray as non voting members to Capital Improvement Committee for one year. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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Mark Christman motioned to appointed Jamie Lachance & Tony Reny to Conservation Commission for three year terms. Tim Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to appoint Christos Gianopoulos, Annette Roy, Brenda Theriualt, James Weston and Tammy Anderson to Greene Community Scholarship Committee for one year term. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tony Reny motioned to appoint Kathryn Beausang, John Belisle, William Clarke, Monita Gagnon, Diane Gendron, Sally Ann Hebert and Sheila Martel to Greene Economic & Community Development Group for one year. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tony Reny motioned to appoint Barbara Bubier, Philippe Moreau, Brenda Theriault and Bruce Tufts to the Greene Fire Department Benevolent Fund for one year. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to appoint Susan Allison, Deborah Beam, Gretchen Bubier, RaNae Gagnon, Margaret Gardner, Paul Gardner, Evelyn Hodgdon, Louise Morgan and Patricia Rose to the Julia Adams Morse Library Expansion Committee for one year. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to appoint John Bennett, George Farris Jr, Judith Marden, John Scott, Wendell Strout Jr, and Aaron White to Land Use Ordinance Review Committee for one year. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to appoint Rebecca Laliberte and Peter Jolicoeur to the Planning Board for three years. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned George Schott and Gaetan Breton Jr to the Planning Board for one year. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tony Reny motioned to appoint Leon Rioux to the Sabattus Lake Dam Commission for three year. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to appoint Joanne Boyington, Fred Bubier, Holly Ewing, Robert Hodgkins, Daniel Moreau, Adam Varney and Charles Varney to the Solid Waste Committee for one year. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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Mark Christman motioned to appoint Lucien Asselin, Harry Darling, Harry Gorman as constables to serve civil papers for one year. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Town Manager Review

The Board will perform the Town Manager Review at the April 13th meeting, set his annual salary prorated to January 1st.

c. General Assistance Ordinance Change

Mark Christman motion to approve the General Assistance Ordinance change the Federal Government increased the food allowance maximum from April 24th to September 30th. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

d. Other

Charlie reported that Pine Tree Engineering is preparing a contract for his review. This is for the engineering on the Allen Pond Boat Launch project.

e. Personnel Matter

This will be discussed after the regular meeting.

VIII. Appointments

None.

IX. Committee Reports

None.

X. Assessment Questions and Abatements

None.

XI. Announcements

Ron Grant read aloud.

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XII. Selectmen Acceptance & Signing of Weekly Warrant

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # 18 dated 3/2/09 of \$ 6,771.68. Tim Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # 19 dated 3/2/09 of \$ 14,066.13. Tim Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # 20 dated 3/9/09 of \$ 6,684.77. Tim Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable # 21 dated 3/9/09 of \$ 23,522.94. Tim Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Ella Augusta Thompson Fund Warrant # 2 dated 2/24/09 of \$ 351.64. Tim Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Julia Adams Morse Library Warrant # 5 dated 3/9/09 of \$ 1,140.93. Tim Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.


XIII. Adjournment

Tim Doyle motioned to move that the Board enter into executive session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 1 MRSA, Section 405, subsection 6(A). . Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

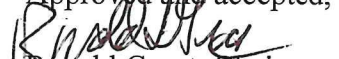
Board adjourned to executive session at 8:35PM.

The Board adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Sally Ann Hebert
Recording Secretary

Approved and accepted,


Ronald Grant, Chairman
Board of Selectmen