

**Greene Board of Selectmen  
Regular Meeting  
March 24, 2008**

Minutes will not become official until accepted at the next Regular Selectmen's Meeting March 24, 2008.

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

**Staff present:** None.

**Members absent:** Kevin Mower is out sick.

**Others present:** Lorraine Wilbur, Kristin & Joseph Shovlin.

**I. Call to Order**

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

**Public Hearing - Hurricane's Liquor Permit**

There was no one in attendance for or against issuing a Liquor License to Hurricane's Café & Deli.

Charlie Noonan confirmed with the Code Enforcement Officer that no issues existed hindering on issuing the permit to going forward.

Kristin Shovlin, representing Hurricane's reported that the business hours would not be changed.

Ron Grant closed public hearing.

Mark Christman motioned to approve Hurricane's Liquor License application for one year. Tony Reny 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed. .

**II. Public Discussion**

Ron Grant welcomed the following new businesses to Greene, AKA Bait Shack, Monmouth Federal Credit Union, and Allied Medical. Also Route 202 Store is closing in April.

Ron Grant announced that Kevin Mower is out sick tonight.

**III. Acceptance of Minutes – March 10, 2008**

Tony Reny motioned to waive the reading of the minutes; to approve the acceptance of the minutes dated March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting upon signature of Chairman, Ron Grant. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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**IV. Treasurer's Report**

Charlie Noonan reported the balance on hand after today's warrant is \$ 741,188.18. Charlie announced that revenue from excise tax is down slightly; he is not too concerned at this point. The Public Works expense for overtime is on the brink from the snowstorms this winter.

**V. Roads**

Charlie Noonan reported that the condition of the gravel roads is tough right now; if the grader grades them it loosens the frozen surface. Stone has been placed on some of Grey Road as the town had removed the broken up asphalt last year in anticipating of resurfacing the road this year.

Charlie Noonan announced that the railroad had to repair the College Road crossing as the rail had been pulled up. The Town assisted them in delivering the gravel; then the railroad put patch on the Sawyer Road crossing

The roads have been posted for heavy vehicles traveling when the temperature is under 32 degrees and/or standing water on the roads.

**VI. Old Business**

**a. Fire Department Committee**

Charlie Noonan and Ron Grant met with Phil Lavoie Acting Fire Chief regarding the committee requested by the former Fire Chief Joe Brown. Phil has concern that it may become a micro-managing committee. The Board will set up a meeting with the Budget Committee and Fire Chief when the Chief is confident in the plan he is presenting. Phil Lavoie has some work done on the plan with short and long term goals for the Department in areas of: equipment needs, personnel, building, mutual aid equipment, etc..

Tim Doyle motioned to regretfully accept the resignation of Joe Brown as Fire Chief effective March 24, 2008 and to send him a letter of thanks on behalf of the Board. Tony Reny 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tim Doyle motioned to appoint Phil Lavoie acting Fire Chief from now until the election of Fire Chief by the Department in May. Tony Reny 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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**b. Town Office Committee**

The Board discussed this committee at length and what the charge would be to this committee by the Board of Selectmen. Areas suggested are needs and costs of expanding current building, moving the office to a new location and have the availability of using the \$10,000 approved at Town Meeting for consulting, engineering only after the approval of the Board.

The Board unanimously decided to have the Town Office Committee become part of the Capital Improvement Committee instead of having two committees.

Tony Reny motioned the following to the Capital Improvement Committee: Charlie Noonan (Town Manager & Staff), Kevin Mower (Selectman), Randy Ray (Code Enforcement Officer), Carol Buzzell (Staff), Bruce Tufts (Budget Committee), Phil Moreau (Budget Committee), Brenda Theriault (Budget Committee), Sheldon Bubier (Citizen), Alden Peterson (Citizen), Joe Brown (Citizen), Phil Lavoie (Fire Chief), Don Bedford (Cable Committee) and George Farris, Jr (Fire Department). Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

**c. Resolution – Five Town River Meeting**

Charlie Noonan explained the resolution that all five towns are voting to work as one unified body. Mark Christman motioned to adopt the resolution of the five towns of Greene, Leeds, Turner, Lewiston and Auburn to address regional needs along Androscoggin River. Tony Reny 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

There is a kick off meeting on April 1<sup>st</sup> at 2PM with the Department of Conservation to meet with the five towns, Androscoggin Land Trust, Androscoggin River Alliance, Maine Rivers, Appalachian Mountain Club and the Bicycle Coalition of Maine to discuss Recreation Planning for the Androscoggin River Corridor from Lewiston-Auburn to the Twin Bridges in Turner and Leeds.

**d. Other**

Ron Grant reported he meet with Charlie Noonan to discuss his review.

Tony Reny motioned to have the Town Manager send letters on behalf of the Board thanking the volunteers whose terms have expired and no longer want to be on the boards thanking them for their service to the Town. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.



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**VII. New Business**

**a. Audit Report**

The Board discussed the management recommendations regarding tax reconciliation. Charlie Noonan reported on the new procedure the office is doing on a monthly basis regarding taxes.

The Board discussed the banking over \$100,000 in investments, questioning if it was insured or not. Charlie Noonan is going to review with Bangor Savings, get a letter of insurance from them.

**b. School Board Meeting**

Tim Doyle reported that Mark Christman, Charlie Noonan and himself attended the School Board Budget Meeting last week. The presentation from the Superintendent is serious to the towns. The projected budget could be an increase between 9.6-20.29% for Greene. The School is received \$500,000 less in state subsidiary this year. The Board asked that a meeting be setup with the towns of Leeds and Turner and their budget committees at the Greene Fire Station on April 10<sup>th</sup>. The Towns needs to set a strategy on how to work with the budget. This is a hard situation for Greene as this is going to increase the mill rate dramatically.

The Board also discussed the new process on voting the school budget. They feel the public needs to be informed on this process.

**c. Board Appointments**

The Board will have the following committees for 2008:

Appeals Board	Kevin Mower
Greene Community Scholarship Committee	Timothy Doyle
Budget Committee	Timothy Doyle
Cable TV	Timothy Doyle
Capital Improvement	Kevin Mower
Conservation Commission	Mark Christman
Fire Department Benevolent Fund	Timothy Doyle
Greene Economic & Community Development	Mark Christman
Land Use Ordinance Review	Kevin Mower
Parks & Recreation Committee	Tony Reny
Planning Board	Tony Reny
Solid Waste	Tony Reny

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**d. Other**

The new highway 1 ½ ton truck was delivered two weeks ago. Last Friday the truck was delivered to Howard Fairfield for installation of hydraulics, body and frame set up for sander, plow and wing. The sander, plow and wing will be installed in early fall. This was able to be paid for in two payments. There was money left in the account to pay for radios and the lights that are needed.

**IX. Committee Reports**

Tony Reny reported the Planning Board has a full board and they only have one subdivision to review at this time.

Charlie Noonan reported that Randy Ray would be back part time next Monday. Ken Pratt has been filling in for him.

**X. Assessment Questions and Abatements**

There was none discussed at this meeting.

**XI. Announcements**

Ron Grant read aloud.

**XII. Selectmen Acceptance & Signing of Weekly Warrant**

Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # **21 dated 3/13/08 of \$ 36,983.00**. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # **22 dated 3/17/08 of \$ 5,629.69**. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # **23 dated 3/17/08 of \$ 10,050.96**. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # **24 dated 3/24/08 of \$ 5,903.02**. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # **25 dated 3/24/08 of \$ 28,364.05**. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

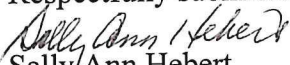
Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Julia Adams Morse Library Warrant # **5 dated 3/24/08 of \$ 969.90**. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

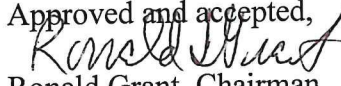
Mark Christman motioned to accept and sign the Ella Augusta Thompson Fund Warrant # **3 dated 3/24/08 of \$ 496.09**. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

**XIII. Adjournment**

Tony Reny motioned to adjourn Tim Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The Board adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Sally Ann Hebert  
Recording Secretary

Approved and accepted,  
  
Ronald Grant, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen