

**Greene Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
August 9, 2004**

Minutes will not become official until accepted at the next Regular Selectmen's Meeting August 23, 2004.

Members present: Maurice Levasseur, Kevin Mower, Timothy Doyle – Acting Chairman, Stephen Eldridge – Town Manager, and Sally Ann Hebert – Recording Secretary.

Members absent: Ronald Grant on vacation and Mark Christman out on a personal issue.

Others present: Robert Coady, Suzanne & Richard Rousseau and Nick Angelides – Reporter Lewiston Sun Journal.

I. Call to Order

Timothy Doyle acting chairman tonight as Ron Grant is on vacation called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. Public Discussion

There was none discussed at this meeting.

III. Acceptance of Minutes – July 26, 2004

Maurice Levasseur motioned to waive the reading of the minutes, to approve the acceptance of the minutes of the July 26th meeting upon signature of Chairman, Ronald Grant. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Steve Eldridge reported the balance as of August 9th is \$ 1,842,349.62 The school payment of \$241,752.00 is on tonight's warrant. Steve announced that 6% less taxes were collected during the discount period this year compared to last year.

Steve announced that the Town received a check for \$804.00 from Worker's Compensation for the good rating the Town has on insurance. The town has not had any claims this past year.

The Fire Department will take delivery of the new fire truck next week for a 10-day inspection.

The other new fire truck (from grant award) will be delivered to EVM by the end of the week and the Town should take delivery within the next two months. Steve has put in for the grant money to be paid to EVM.

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The Board would like the new fire trucks at the first Board meeting after delivery.

V. Roads

Steve reported that the highway crew is working on Patten Road. Barrell Shop Road should be done the 3rd or 4th week of August.

Commercial Paving is going to return to repair College Road before the Barrell Shop Road is paved.

VI. Old Business

a. Budget Format

The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee met jointly for Steve to go over the new budget format. Steve will be handling out the new format to the departments for the 2005 requests.

b. County Budget Committee Nomination

Phil Moreau volunteered from the Budget Committee to replace Robert Coady on the County Budget.

Kevin Mower motioned to nominate Phil Moreau to the Androscoggin County Budget Committee. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The Board thanked Robert Coady for his service to the Androscoggin County Budget Committee.

c. Growth Ordinance/Impact Fees

The Board skipped over this tonight; there are packets in the Boards boxes upstairs.

d. Other

There was none discussed at this meeting.

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VII. New Business

a. MPAC

Steve announced that MPAC is going thru restructuring. A new CEO and investor have come on board along with Kim Dutton. They are signing a letter of intent to pay agreement (copy attached). The town will receive \$30,000 in back taxes this Friday and \$187,546.21 by next Friday. This intent has gone thru all the creditors. They agree to stay current on the 2005 taxes. The interest will be paid over a three-year period. The new CEO comes from similar plant in Rhode Island and is familiar with the machinery and operations of this type of plant.

Steve is more optimistic this week than last week when closure of the plant was near. Thru Governor Baldacci, DECD office, Steve and investors and creditors the plant was saved and the 40 employees will still have a job. Tim Doyle thanked Steve for all his effort on this, he did a good job keeping MPAC going.

Maurice Levasseur motioned to send a letter to MPAC along with the sign letter of intent, thanking them to keep MPAC open and all the jobs could be saved. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Assessing Agent Meeting

The Board will meet with Rob Duplisea at 6:00 PM on Monday September 20th to discuss the town's valuation. Also MPAC personal property will be looked at during this meeting.

c. PSAP/Dispatch Meeting

Bruce Tufts, Fire Chief and Steve Eldridge, Town Manager attended the PSAP/Dispatch meeting to discuss a single PSAP center. Bruce Tufts is on the committee to study the county needs and what will be best for all the towns involved. Steve is his alternate.

d. Grader

The information requested is in the packet and will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

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e. Septic Bids

Maurice Levasseur motioned to award the bid to replace the malfunctioned septic system to Gary Buzzell for \$7,870.00. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

f. Legal

There was none discussed at this meeting.

g. Other

There was none discussed at this meeting.

VIII. Committee Reports

There was none discussed at this meeting.

IX. CEO Report

There was none reported at this meeting.

X. Assessment Questions & Abatements

More information needs to be gathered on the foreclosed property that the owner has vacated the premises. This will be addressed at the next meeting.

XI. Announcements

Timothy Doyle read the announcements aloud.

Sally Ann Hebert gave an update on the Greene Village Celebration. There is a meeting tomorrow night.

Steve is go get an update from the school on Greene Central renovation to report at the next Board meeting.

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XII. Selectmen Acceptance & Signing of Weekly Warrant

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Warrant of \$ 310,618.69 dated August 9th. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Julia Adams Morse Library Warrant of \$ 807.86 dated August 9th. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

XIII. Executive Session

There was none discussed at this meeting.

XIV. Adjournment

Maurice Levasseur motioned to adjourn. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The Board adjourned at 7:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Sally Ann Hebert
Recording Secretary

Approved and accepted,


Timothy S. Doyle, Acting Chairman
Board of Selectmen