

**Greene Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
August 23, 2010**

Minutes will not become official until accepted at the next Regular Selectmen's Meeting September 13, 2010.

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

Staff present: Randy Ray – Code Enforcement Officer, Bruce Tufts – Highway Forman.

Members absent: None.

Others present: Representative Stacy Dostie.

This meeting was televised

I. Call to Order

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

II. Public Discussion

None.

III. Acceptance of Minutes – August 9, 2010

Don Bedford motioned to waive the reading of the minutes; and to approve the acceptance of the minute's dated August 9th meeting upon signature of Acting Chairman, Tony Reny. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Charlie Noonan reported a balance on hand after today's warrant of \$ 1,962,555.37. Charlie reported the County assessment and charities are included in today's warrant.

Charlie reported the unemployment claim the town is paying for may stop.

Tony reported that the town has received 92% recycling income to date of projected income.

The Board discussed the Julia Adams Morse Library expenditure of \$1,150.00 for landscaping. Charlie is to check into this.

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V. Roads

Charlie reported the last paving projects are completed; South Mountain Road, Hills Ridge, and Old Greene Road. There was a problem on Old Greene Road; Rampart repaired at no cost to the town. A resident on South Mountain Road has concerns on the roughness of the road. The Board discussed this at length decided take no action at this time. Rampart suggested letting the road settle a bit. This is a base layer; the final layer will be laid in a couple of years.

The culvert repair on Lane Road is completed. The contractor did some damage to the road; agreed to deduct costs from his bill. The road is repaired. The Board discussed placing guardrails along this culvert. There may be an issue with DEP as there is not much room to work with.

The crew is working on the list of repairing/replacing culverts and patching potholes.

Bruce Tufts, Highway foreman suggested a temporary fix to Fifth Avenue. The hill and curve surface is gone. The crew has been patching with cold patch at \$118 per ton. He would like to purchase hot mix at \$ 37 per ton. This will be placed by the grader and then rolled with a roller. This will be done on 50 feet of the hill. This will enable the highway department to plow this winter without lifting up the cold patch. The material would be grounded up next summer to use as a base. This, in the long run, maybe the cheapest way to repair this road temporarily.

VI. Old Business

a. Comprehensive Plan

Randy presented to the Board an outline from AVCOG for updating the Comprehensive Plan before the state mandated date 12/31/2012 deadline. Sally Ann Hebert was asked to issue a press release for publication in the Lewiston Sun Journal, Country Courier and Twin City Times listing the type of volunteers needed for this project. There will be funding required; this will be voted on at a later date. The board requested Randy Ray be liaison to this committee.

The Board reviewed the list of characteristics that reflect diversity of community: 2 residents of more than 25 years, 2 residents of less than 25 years, 2 members of conservation commission, builder, realtor, architect/designer, land use attorney, school board member, business owner, large land owner, parent of school-age child, senior citizen or retiree, member of medical community.

b Culvert repair Lane Rd

This was discussed under roads.

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c Turner Bridge

The Board discussed with Representative Stacy Dostie the emails from Judy Marden regarding the proposed 5 foot walkway on the sides of the new bridge for walkers, atv's and snowmobiles. Judy has concerns that with the boat launch and the new state park located at the bridge entrance that the vision of a river greenway from Lewiston/Auburn to Livermore Falls/Jay is met. Representative Dostie will contact MDOT on what type of bridge this is going to be, etc. Charlie will contact Leeds and Turner Selectmen of the impact of the new Twin Bridge in their communities. This will be an agenda item for the Tri-Town meeting.

D. Greene Village Day Sept 10-11

Carol gave an overview of the celebration. She announced that a silent auction will be held raising money for a family in town that one member needs a double lung transplant. This family needs to raise \$200,000-\$300,000.

The Board discussed Representative Dostie's request for a booth at the Greene Village Day for her upcoming election in November. The Board reported that they would not like to see political booths at this event as this will allow petitioners to collect petitions during the celebration which would deter from the community fun filled event. The political candidates are more than welcome to attend the event; be in the parade, walk around at the event with buttons, etc... This allows equal opportunity to all candidates.

e. Other

None.

VII. New Business

a Clerks Meeting Sept 9th

Tony Reny motioned that the town office be closed on September 9th for Sally Ann Hebert and Carol Buzzell to attend Clerk's Networking Day. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Harry Childs is on vacation that week. There will notification to the public in advance that the office is closed on September 9th.

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b Recreation Field

Charlie and Bruce Tufts, Chairman of Parks and Recreation brought the Board up to date on what GYAA is planning for improvements to the field and building construction. The Board discussed at length who is maintaining the field and who is going to maintain the field. The electrical has been run down to the field. Septic system and well was to be installed this year along with handicap parking area. GYAA has diverted from the four year plan presented to Town Meeting a couple of years ago. They now want to install a 30x50 building along with a new 300x500 foot field. There will be a need for a person to maintain the building, make sure the building is locked and unlocked, water is not running, toilets is clean, etc.. The Board has concerns on the building size, upkeep, vandalism, added costs to the town, etc.. Before a field can be planned out an updated forest plan has to be done. The Board has major concerns that the land is the towns, the equipment stored in the building and the snack shack is not the towns. The Board needs to meet with GYAA and hear their plan.

c Other

None.

VIII.Appointments

None.

IX. Committee Reports

Tony Reny reported that Conservation Commission is meeting on Tuesday 8/24 at 6pm.

Ron Grant reported that at 6PM tonight Androscoggin County Commissioners held a caucus for budget committee member nominations. Phil Moreau – Greene, Mike Gendron – Sabattus, Mark Bowie – Lisbon and Honaker – Turner was all nominated. Ballots will be sent out for the Board to vote at the next Board meeting. Thee committee members will be voted in.

X. Assessment Questions & Abatements/Supplement

None.

XI. Announcements

Tony Reny read the announcements 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 # **66 dated 8/16/10 of \$ 6,101.61**. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # **67 dated 8/16/10 of \$ 76,520.22**. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # **68 dated 8/23/10 of \$ 7,358.33**. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # **69 dated 8/23/10 of \$ 416,454.40**. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Julia Adams Morse Library Warrant # **17 dated 8/23/10 of \$ 2,911.57**. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Ella Augusta Thompson Warrant # **8 dated 8/23/10 of \$ 531.93**. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Greene Village Celebration Warrant # **3 dated 8/16/10 of \$ 730.32**. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.


Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Greene Village Celebration Warrant # **4 dated 8/23/10 of \$ 1,265.00**. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

XIII. Adjournment


Tony Reny motion to adjourn. Kevin Mower 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

The Board adjourned at 8:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Sally Ann Hebert
Recording Secretary

Approved and accepted,


Ronald Grant, Chairman
Board of Selectmen