

**Greene Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
August 25, 2003**

Minutes will not become official until accepted at the next Regular Selectmen's Meeting September 8, 2003.

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

Members absent: Mark Christman and Kevin Mower both absent due to family situations.

Others present: Pat Rose, Barbara Bubier, and John Plestina, reporter from Lewiston Sun Journal.

I. Call to Order 7:00 PM

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

Presentation from Joan Walton, AVCOG RE: Route 202 Pilot Project

Steve explained the process to date of this project that has been ongoing with AVCOG and MDOT for the past year and a half to improve safety, economic development and traffic flowing safely on Route 202.

There were comments from the Board regarding some areas on the proposed action plan.

The map is on display at the Greene Town Office for the residents to view. A copy of the Action plan is attached to these minutes.

II. Public Discussion

There was none discussed at this meeting.

III. Acceptance of Minutes – August 11 & 14, 2003

Timothy Doyle motioned to waive the reading of the minutes, to approve the acceptance of the minutes of the August 11th & August 14th meetings upon signature of Chairman, Ronald Grant. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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IV. Unfinished Business

a. **Treasurer's Report**

Steve reported that the balance as of August 25th is \$1,671,835.28. Excise Tax collection is still higher year to date over last year.

b. **Roads**

The paving has started on Sedgley and Patten Road and the Fire Station parking lot. Quaker Ridge, North Hatch Hill and Hooper Pond Roads will be paved within the next two weeks.

Steve reported that Blue Rock paved College Road and the Town Manager and Board of Selectmen has received good comments on this project.

The Town did pave a section of College Road that is in Lewiston. The Town of Greene has historically maintained this section of road to the turnaround at the first house on the right.

c. **Fire Station Construction**

Steve reported that Glen Builders is three to four weeks ahead of schedule and expect to hand the keys over to the Town on October 1st.

d. **Rapid Renewal**

Timothy Doyle motioned to have the Town Manager include Rapid Renewal on Motor Vehicle Registrations as a 2004 Town Meeting Warrant article. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

e. **Fire Dept/Capital Improvement Program**

Steve reported that he and Bruce Tufts, Fire Chief, reviewed the Fire Departments budget and there is money to purchase the truck from the city. Steve also talked to Bob Coady and Art Lawrence from the Capital Improvement Committee. They felt that the Committee set aside money for new fire trucks and also to put money into the fleet where necessary to improve the inventory of trucks the Fire Department has. Timothy Doyle motioned to allow the Greene Volunteer Fire Department and Town Manager to negotiate to purchase 1977 Truck not to exceed \$5,000.00. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

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f. **Other**

The Board and Steve discussed what came out of the Legislature meeting with Governor Baldacci on the proposals for School Finance and Tax Reform Act of 2003. The Governor would like to shift decisions back to local level and have the towns be more creative.

Steve announced that all the agreements with tax foreclosed property all current.

V. **New Business**

a. **Route 202 Pilot Program**

This was discussed under public discussion.

b. **Historical Society/Old Town House**

There is nothing to report at this meeting.

c. **Grant Administration Fee/MPAC**

Steve asked the Board about his receiving the \$1,500 left from the administration fee of the MPAC grant. There is \$2,500.00 left in the grant; approximately \$1,000.00 is for the audit and leaves \$1,500.00 for the administrator. Steve has spent 42 hours administrating this grant over and above his time at the office. The CDBG Attorney required more time on paperwork; if the money is not paid it will go back to the CDBG state office. The Board will discuss on the next agenda.

d. **MSAD #52 Warrant for Referendum**

Timothy Doyle motioned to countersign the MSAD #52 Warrant for School Construction Referendum September 23, 2003. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

e. **Legal**

There was nothing discussed at this meeting.

f. **Other**

There was nothing discussed at this meeting.

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VI. Committee Reports

There was none reported at this meeting.

VII. CEO Report

There was none reported at this meeting.

VIII. Assessment Questions & Abatements

Timothy Doyle motioned to abate David & Diane Iannotti \$ 453.84 and supplement \$ 453.84; transferred wrong lot. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Timothy Doyle motioned to abate Steven & Lisa Boulet \$ 329.40 and supplement \$ 455.67, transferred wrong lot. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Maurice Levasseur motioned to abate George & Donna Chiasson \$ 58.56; listing error. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Timothy Doyle motioned to abate Joseph & Lynn Derocher \$ 204.96; listing error. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Maurice Levasseur motioned to abate Stephen Hicks & William Homer \$ 391.62; Trio program error. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

IX. Announcements

Ron Grant read the announcements aloud.

X. Selectmen Acceptance & Signing of Weekly Warrant

Timothy Doyle motioned to sign the Town of Greene Warrant of \$ 283,383.02; \$247, 145.00 County Tax 2003 payment. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Timothy Doyle motioned to sign the Julia Adams Morse Warrant of \$ 506.15. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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Timothy Doyle motioned to sign the Ella Augustus Thompson Warrant of \$ 3,144.86. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Timothy Doyle motioned to sign the Fire Station Building Warrant of \$ 232,768.01; hold check for the roof until inspected. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

XI. Executive Session

There was none discussed at this meeting.

XII. Adjournment

Timothy Doyle motioned to adjourn. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 8:49 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Ann Hebert
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Recording Secretary

Approved and accepted,

Ronald Grant
Ronald Grant, Chairman
Board of Selectmen

**Route 202 Corridor - Town of Greene
Action Plan**

#	LOCATION	PROBLEM	RECOMMENDED ACTION	ESTIMATED COST	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	PRIORITY RANKING	TIMEFRAME
1	Daggett Hill Road intersections (closest to Lewiston/Greene line)	Intersection angle	Close existing intersections to Route 202, add cul-de-sac at new dead-ends	\$8,000	MDOT	High	
		Insufficient separation and sight distances	Construct new intersection from Daggett Hill Road on state-owned land adjacent to Tax Map 2, Lot 53 to replace existing intersections	\$8,000	MDOT	High	
2	Route 202 at Daggett Hill Road	Vertical curve	Add southbound truck lane	\$	MDOT	Medium <i>High</i>	
3	Daggett Hill Road intersection (Technical Sales & Service of New England segment)	Insufficient separation and sight distances	Close all existing intersections to Route 202 except the one across from TNE, add cul-de-sacs at new dead-ends Redesign remaining entrance to Route 202 as a two-way intersection, to become the sole intersection at Daggett Hill Road.	\$8,000	MDOT	High	
4	Buzzell Lane intersection	Insufficient sight distance	Relocate Buzzell Lane intersection south of current location to improve sight distance	\$8,000	Property owner	High	2004
5	St. Francis Mission	Intersection angles and insufficient separation distance	Close front driveways except for weddings and funerals, add gates to prevent vehicular use	\$	Property owner	Medium	
6	In vicinity of cemeteries, south of West Main Street	Excessive speed through Greene village	Reduce speed limit to 35 mph for northbound traffic, resume 50 mph speed at Maine Poly	\$0	MDOT	High	2004
7	In vicinity of cemeteries, south of West Main Street		Add 'Welcome to Greene Village' business sign, gateway landscaping	\$	Town	High	2004
	West Main Street intersection (southerly junction at Universalist Church)	Intersection angle and insufficient separation distance	Close existing intersection to Route 202, add cul-de-sac at new dead-end Extend Meadow Hill Road across West Main Street to Route 202	\$8,000	MDOT	High	2004
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9	Morgan's Auto Sales, IGA, gas station lot	Insufficient separation distance	Eliminate auto sales and IGA entrances onto Route 202, allow entrance-only to gas station. Designate West Main Street as the primary road to access this property	\$	Property owners	High	unknown
10	West Main Street intersection (northerly junction)	Intersection angle	Eliminate auto sales entrance, one IGA entrance and one gas station entrance. Add left turn lane into IGA	\$	Property owners	High	unknown
11	Longview Heights intersection	Steep slope, too many openings at Route 202	Eliminate existing intersection, relocate approximately 300 feet south, design to intersect Route 202 at a 90-degrees	\$8,000	MDOT	High	2004
12	Main Street intersection (southerly junction opposite West Main Street)	Intersection angles and insufficient separation distance	Close existing intersection at Route 202, add cul-de-sac, reroute traffic to Sedgley Road	\$8,000	Town	High	2004
13	Patten Road intersection	The fire station is located on Patten Road, approx. 1/3 of a mile northwesterly of this intersection. This was a High Crash Location from 1994 - 2000 Traffic from the new turnpike interchange in Sabattus is expected to access Route 202 at this intersection. This was a High Crash Location from 1994 - 2000	Close existing intersections to Route 202, relocate intersection approximately 600 feet north to the northerly lot line of land now or formerly owned by the State of Maine, to intersect with Route 202 at 90-degree angle, add cul-de-sac for new dead-end Install vehicle-actuated four-way emergency blinking lights at intersection Replace emergency vehicle warning sign with a fully actuated traffic light, with pedestrian cycle, when Allen Pond Road Extension is closed	\$8,000 \$30,000 \$	MDOT (State of Maine owns this parcel) Town MDOT	High High High	2004 (in conjunction with Town's improvements to Main Street and school parking area) 2003

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14	Patten Road intersection	The intersection isn't visible to motorists traveling north on Route 202. This was a High Crash Location from 1994 - 2000	Widen intersection, pave shoulders at intersection, clear vegetation in right-of-way, relocate utility pole and mailbox at northwesterly corner of intersection, add traffic signal (with pedestrian cycle and emergency strobe) when Allen Pond Road Extension is closed	\$50,000	MDOT, Town, Utility	High	2004
15	Patten Road	Road is not wide enough to accommodate anticipated future traffic volumes from closure of Allen Pond Road Extension and Sabattus turnpike interchange	Purchase Tax Map 20, Lot 18, widen Patten Road to 100-foot right-of-way to the Route 202 intersection	\$50,000	MDOT	High	2005
16	George Farris parcel	Insufficient separation distance, too many entrances	Eliminate USPS entrance onto Route 202 and reduce the total number of entrances onto Route 202 Redirect internal site traffic to an entrance on Patten Road rather than Route 202 Strict enforcement by MDOT of Access Management rules, with no waivers allowed for this parcel	unknown	Property owner	High	unknown
17	Mower's Market & Landry's Quick Stop parcels	Insufficient separation distance, too many entrances	Remove barriers between Landry's and Mower's parking lots to improve internal traffic circulation	\$0	MDOT	High	On-going
18	Mower's Market parcel	Entrances too close to Allen Pond Road intersection	Eliminate the two entrances closest to the intersection	unknown	Property owner	Medium	unknown

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19	Allen Pond Road intersection	This intersection has been a High Crash Location since at least 1994	Add right turn slip lane onto northern leg of Allen Pond Road from Route 202 Close Allen Pond Road Extension at Route 202, redirect Allen Pond Road Extension traffic to Patten Road via Main Street	\$	MDOT	High	
20	Main Street intersection (northerly junction)	Intersection angle and wide curb opening at corner parcel (now or formerly owned by State of Maine)	Close curb opening on Main Street Eliminate existing intersection and relocate intersection approximately 500 feet south of its current location, to intersect with Route 202 at 90-degree angle	\$2,000	MDOT	High	
21	Main Street intersection (southerly junction, section connecting to Gray Road)	Intersection angle, severity of crashes	Close Main Street at Route 202, direct all traffic to access Route 202 from the northerly intersection, add cul-de-sac at new dead end	\$8,000	Town	High	
22	Maine Poly	Excessive speed through Greene village	Reduce speed limit to 35 mph for southbound traffic, resume 50 mph speed south of West Main Street/cemeteries	\$0	MDOT	High	2004
23	Maine Poly		Add 'Welcome to Greene Village' business sign, gateway landscaping	\$	Town	High	2004
24	Maine Poly	Insufficient separation distance, too many entrances	Close all existing entrances at Route 202 except for the loading dock entrance, redirect traffic to Sprague Mill Road, add bridge between Maine Poly and Sprague Mill Road	\$	undetermined at this time	Medium	
25	Main Street intersection (northerly junction, section connecting to Gray Road)	Intersection angle	Redesign intersection to 90-degrees	\$8,000	MDOT	High	
26	Sprague Mill Road intersection	Intersection opening at Route 202 is too wide south of Sprague Mill Road	Close wide opening so intersection is 90-degrees and acceptable width	\$2,000	MDOT	Low	

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27	Bog Road intersection	Intersection angle	Relocate intersection approx. 600 feet to the south of existing intersection, to intersection Route 202 at 90-degrees	\$	Town	Low	Unknown, on-hold until multi-town economic development study is completed
28	Key Hill Road intersection (southerly junction)	Intersection angle	Redesign intersection to 90-degrees	\$8,000	MDOT	Low	
29	Leeds Junction Road intersection	Intersection angle	Redesign intersection to 90-degrees	\$8,000	MDOT	Medium	
30	Key Hill Road intersection (northerly junction)	Intersection angle	Redesign intersection to 90-degrees	\$8,000	MDOT	Low	