

**Greene Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
December 13, 2004**

Minutes will not become official until accepted at the next Regular Selectmen's Meeting December 27, 2004.

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

Members absent: Kevin Mower out sick.

Others present: Nicholas A (Reporter, Lewiston Sun Journal)

I. Call to Order

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

II. Public Discussion

There was none discussed at this meeting.

III. Acceptance of Minutes – November 29, 2004

Mark Christman motioned to waive the reading of the minutes, to approve the acceptance of the minutes of the November 29th meeting upon signature of Chairman, Ronald Grant. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Steve Eldridge reported the balance as of November 29th is \$1,075,090.49. Steve reported that 2004 Excise Tax Collection has exceeded the 2004 budget projection.

The Board of Selectmen and Steve will discuss at the next Board Meeting where money is coming from to cover the overdrafts approved at the November special Town Meeting. Steve Eldridge reported that it was not voted on at the Special Town Meeting to cover equipment repair.

V. Roads

Steve reported that the crew has been out plowing and sanding. The crew was short two persons, one was out medically and one was out for a personal reason.

Steve announced that Kevin Doyle, Road Foreman, has submitted his resignation as he has taken a position at New Gloucester. He has been with

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the Town of Greene for 8 years. Doris Guenette is taking over as temporary foreman and run the crew until the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager decide on a replacement.

Timothy Doyle motioned to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Mark Christman 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Board was in executive session from 7:15 to 7:37 PM. There was nothing reported.

VI. New Business

a. Cable Franchise Agreement

The Board would like the cable franchise paperwork forwarded to members of the cable committee. Timothy Doyle motioned to have a public hearing on the Cable Television Ordinance and Franchise agreement on January 10th at 6:30 PM; copies available after December 20th. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman left the meeting at 7:44PM.

b. School Project Update

The Board and Steve will tour the school on December 27th at 5PM.

c. Deer Run Subdivision Road Acceptance

Steve has reported that all the paperwork has been received to put the Deer Run Subdivision Road Acceptance on the 2004 road acceptance. Mark Randall has agreed to fix sections of Phase I.

d. Solid Waste Committee Recommendations

Steve reported the Solid Waste Committee's recommendations to the Board of eliminating construction debris, roofing shingles. The Board will review the recommendations.

Timothy Doyle motioned to hold a public hearing January 10th on the amendments to the Transfer Station Ordinance at 6:30pm. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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e. Other

Ronald Grant reminded the Board to give him a list of qualities for Town Manager Search Committee before Thursday. The committee will be meeting on Thursday at 6:15PM.

Timothy Doyle motioned to appoint Judy Marden, Rebecca Laliberte, Stephen Beam, Tony Reny, and Phil Moreau to the Town Manager Search committee. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Tim Doyle reported that as of tonight 6 applications has been received. The deadline for applications is 4:30PM on December 23rd.

VII. New Business

a. Central Chemical Rail Crossings

Steve reported that there is a company very interested in purchasing Central Chemical Building they have been working with Steve, DEP, MDOT and the railroad on making this feasible. There was an agreement with MDOT to allow the town to open that crossing again.

Maurice Levasseur motioned to authorize the Town Manager to send a letter to Guilford Railroad to exercise towns right dated March 1991 to crossing at the Central Chemical building and to make sure the town does not incur any expense in doing so. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

b. Annual Report - Dedication

The Board has until January 10th to make a decision.

c. Legal

There was none discussed at this meeting.

d. Other

The Board of Selectmen will have their next regular scheduled meeting at 6:30 PM at the Greene Volunteer Fire Station; from 7:00 – 8:30 PM there will be a farewell reception for Stephen Eldridge Town Manager. There will be presentation at 8:00PM. The Town Office will close at 7:00PM so the staff can attend. Notices will be sent to all the board and committees, Town Manager of Turner and Administrative Assistant of Leeds.

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VIII. Committee Reports

Ron Grant reported that the Julia Adams Morse Library Expansion Committee met with the contractor to see if suggestions could be made to do this project. Out of the \$400,000 needed for the expansion, only \$225,000 has been raised to date. They talked about hiring a general contractor from the community and to have volunteers do the work. They will meet again to discuss what can be brought to town meeting on this project.

The Budget Committee met and is 2/3 thru the 2005 budget. They will meet again this week. They will meet in January to discuss the revenues.

Steve Eldridge will come in after January 1st to help with Town Meeting preparations.

IX. CEO Report

Steve reported that housing starts is up to 47 from 32 new homes last year.

X. Assessment Questions & Abatements

Steve reported that Rob was in last week and discussed the tree growth penalty bills and the owners will be keeping in tree growth.

Timothy Doyle motioned to abate Account # 2401 for \$38.43. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Maurice Levasseur motioned to abate Account # P183 for \$82.35. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Motion dies.

Timothy Doyle motioned to abate Account # 2111 for \$316.59. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Maurice Levasseur motioned to abate Account # 1642 for \$2494.27. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Maurice Levasseur motioned to abate Account # 1853 for \$929.64. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

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Maurice Levasseur motioned to abate Account # 1704 for \$16.47. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Timothy Doyle motioned to supplement Account # 1853 for \$409.92. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Timothy Doyle motioned to abate Account # 367 for \$598.41. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Timothy Doyle motioned to abate Account # 387 for \$362.00. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Timothy Doyle motioned to abate Account # 1988 for \$563.64. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Timothy Doyle motioned to abate Account # 361 for \$627.69. Maurice Levasseur 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Sally Ann Hebert reported that any taxes not paid by 4:30 PM December 29th would be listed in the 2004 annual report book.

XI. Announcements

Ron Grant announced that nomination papers are available. The positions available are Maurice Levasseur and Mark Christman as Board of Selectmen and Peter Maxwell as MSAD 52 School Board Director.

Ron Grant read the announcements aloud.

XII. Selectmen Acceptance & Signing of Weekly Warrant

Maurice Levasseur motioned to accept and sign the Julia Adams Morse Library Warrant of \$ 793.76. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Maurice Levasseur motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Warrant of \$ 280,841.50. Includes the school payment. Timothy Doyle 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

XIII. Executive Session

There was no need for another one at this meeting.

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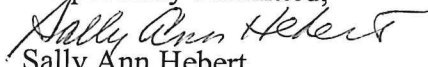
XIV. Adjournment

Ron Grant on behalf of the Board wished all the town employees and town residents Merry Christmas.


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

The Board adjourned at 8:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,


Sally Ann Hebert
Recording Secretary

Approved and accepted,


Ronald Grant, Chairman
Board of Selectmen