

**Greene Board of Selectmen  
Regular Meeting  
December 13, 2010**

Minutes will not become official until accepted at the next Regular Selectmen's Meeting December 27, 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:** Bruce Tufts – Highway Foreman.

**Members absent:** None.

**Others present:** Representative Steve Wood; Androscoggin Land Trust – Jonathan Labonte, Jim Cross, Judy Marden; Tom Carey and Bill St Pierre of Valentine/Berry Road Association, Glenn Chateauvert – GYAA, Robert Hodgkins – VFW, . .

This meeting was televised

**I. Call to Order**

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

**II. Public Discussion**

Bill St Pierre and Tom Carey from Valentine/Berry Road Association approached the Board for putting the article of acceptance of the road on the warrant for 2011 Town Meeting. The board agreed that the road has to be done completely to specifications before placing on the warrant. It has to be accepted or not accepted; not accepted with conditions.

Representative Steve Wood reported to the Board he has submitted a bill to legislature or the Town of Greene. He has also contacted Senator Snowe and Congressman Michaud office regarding the condition of the Sawyer Road railroad crossing. Steve reported that all bills have to be submitted by January 7<sup>th</sup> and he would like to submit his January 5<sup>th</sup>. Contact information for Steve is on the Town of Greene Website and his also is on facebook. .

**III. Acceptance of Minutes – November 15, 2010**

Tony Reny motioned to waive the reading of the minutes, and to approve the acceptance of the minutes dated November 15<sup>th</sup> meeting upon signature of chairman, Ronald 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 a balance on hand after today's warrant of \$ 1,104,500.17. The revenues are coming in good and there will be a slight surplus on the cash flow at the end of year.

**V. Roads**

Charlie reported the highway crew is working on the equipment, along with culvert and patching work. Longley Road was only one road with problems from rain storm of yesterday and today. The Lane Road Bridge repair held up during the rainstorm.

**VI. Old Business**

**a. Fire Dept Budget**

Charlie reported on Fire Department stipend, how it works with workers compensation, pay scale. Mark Christman motioned to support the fire fighters recommendation for the 2011 budget. Kevin Mower 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Note this will go into the Fire Dept regular warrant article; if the Budget Committee does not go along with the recommendation; then it will be a separate warrant article.

**c 2011 Budget**

Ron Grant reported the board will meet after tonight's meeting to discuss salary and administrative expense.

**d. Androscoggin Land Trust – Tax Exemption Request**

Jonathan Labonte, Jim Cross – Attorney and Board Member, discussed with the Board of Selectmen that if the Board denies their tax exempt status on the property they are purchasing off Bull Run Road; Androscoggin Land Trust will take them to court. Tax exemption status guidelines are under title 36 section 652. The Board of Selectmen will make a formal vote at their December 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**e. Tri-Town Meeting Dec 16, 2010 Turner**

Ron Grant reminded the Board of the Tri-town meeting in Turner on Thursday.

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**f. Other**

Bruce Tufts, Highway Foreman presented the Board with figures of the highway department doing the changing of oil, etc on the vehicles versus have someone else do it.

**VII. New Business**

**a VFW Property**

The Board reviewed options with the VFW, GYAA, Parks and Recreation regarding the VFW property. The property may be able to fill the needs of two new fields for sports. There may be an option of lease/purchase over a period of time. The building needs a lot of work to bring up to ADA, fire codes. There is no heat or hot water in the building. A cost analysis needs to be done and brought back to the Board of Selectmen.

**b Holiday/end of Year Closings**

The transfer station will be closed at noon on December 24<sup>th</sup>, closed all day December 25<sup>th</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>. Tony Reny Motioned to close the town office at noon on December 23<sup>rd</sup>, for the employees

To have a Christmas Party; the town office will be closed on December 31<sup>st</sup> to the public as the office staff will be doing year end closeout and will take a day off at a later date. Kevin Mower 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

**c Center Bridge Meeting Feb 8, 2011 6:00 PM Turner Town Office**

Turner will host the meeting with MDOT on Turner Center Bridge; Leeds will be invited also.

**d Election Nomination Papers – December 9 – Due Jan 18, 2011**

Nominations papers are available for Board of Selectmen (two positions) and RSU 52 School Board member (one position). Tony Reny and Mark Christman are both running for Board of Selectmen. They need to get at least 25 signatures, not more than 100 and returned to the Town Clerk by 4:30 PM January 18, 2011.

**e Other**

Kevin Mower motioned to expend \$ 1,982.10 from cable budget as requested. Don Bedford 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

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**VIII. Appointments**

None.

**IX. Committee Reports**

None.

**X. Assessment Questions & Abatements/Supplement**

Mark Christman motioned to abate PP199 for \$3.63; personal property gone prior to 4/1/2010. Kevin Mower 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to abate RE 126 for \$ 248.05; to correct mobile home ownership. Kevin Mower 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to abate PP 225 for \$ 21.78; personal property gone prior to 4/1/2010. Kevin Mower 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to abate RE 1598 for \$ 406.56; real estate to correct building assessment. Kevin Mower 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Mark Christman motioned to supplement RE 2479 for \$248.05; to correct motor home ownership. Kevin Mower 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

**XI. Announcements**

Ron read the announcements aloud.

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

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # 94 dated 11/22/10 of \$ 5,364.22. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # 95 dated 11/22/10 of \$ 22,019.33. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.



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Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # **96 dated 11/29/10 of \$ 6,765.85**. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # **97 dated 11/29/10 of \$ 16,267.88**. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # **98 dated 12/06/10 of \$ 5,850.47**. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # **99 dated 12/06/10 of \$ 25,021.68**. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Payroll Warrant # **100 dated 12/13/10 of \$ 10,448.90**. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Town of Greene Accounts Payable Warrant # **101 dated 12/13/10 of \$ 303,372.02**. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Julia Adams Morse Library Warrant # **24 dated 11/29/10 of \$ 1,134.69**. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Julia Adams Morse Library Warrant # **25 dated 12/13/10 of \$ 2,541.70**. Mark Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.

Kevin Mower motioned to accept and sign the Cable Warrant # **09 dated 12/06/10 of \$ 99.95**. Don Bedford 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed.


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**XIII. Adjournment**


Mark Christman motioned that the Board enter executive session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 1 MRSA, Section 405, subsection 6(A) and not return to the meeting. Tony Reny 2nd the motion. Vote was unanimous. Motion passed. Board was in executive session from 8:34-8:51 PM.

The Board adjourned at 8:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Sally Ann Hebert  
Recording Secretary

Approved and accepted,

  
Ronald Grant, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen