

(draft only – unapproved by Selectboard)

## Greensboro Selectboard

### Meeting Minutes

October 26, 2011

**PRESENT:** Marsha Gadoury, Peggy Lipscomb, Jefferson Tolman, Anne Stevens, Valdine Hall, Josh Karp, Erwin Salls, Jr., Dan Tanner, Sgt. Aaron Cochran, June Cook, Officer Chris Tatro

**CALLED TO ORDER: 7:02 PM**

#### ROADS

- *Wizzy Hall.* It's been customary for the town to give Wizzy a 'return to work' form when he leaves his summer job with the road crew each year. Dan noted that he won't work for the town at all unless he gets this form. Discussion of whether the town should be paying unemployment for a seasonal employee.

Marsha made the following motion:

*The Selectboard will sign the 'Return to Work' for Wizzy Hall.*

Peggy seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- *Culvert Policy.*

Anne made the following motion:

*The Selectboard approves the amended culvert policy.*

Marsha seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- *Cate Hill Rd. – Plowing.* Perry's has agreed to plow Cate Hill Rd. The town will let Craftsbury know that their plowing services will no longer be needed.
- *Gonyaw Rd. – Plowing into Wheelock.* The Board reviewed Dan's findings on the plowing of Wheelock's stretch of Gonyaw Rd.. He estimated it costs the town \$2250 to plow the section.

#### POLICE

Peggy asked Acting Chief Sgt. Aaron Cochran how the late night shift was going; he replied that there are very few calls during that shift, in Greensboro or Hardwick.

Sgt. Cochran reported that morale on the H.P.D. is high.

Sgt. Cochran noted that the Restorative Justice Program is going very well.

The H.P.D. has two new officers, both of whom are currently attending the VT Police Academy.

## **GREENSBORO FIRE DEPT.**

- Jr. Salls presented a slate of G.F.D. officers for the Board's approval. Anne made the following motion:

*The Board approves the following slate of officers for the Greensboro Fire Department, as recommended by the Dept.:*

**Chief:** *Erwin Salls, Jr.*

**Captains:** *Art Brochu, Doug Casavant*

**1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief:** *Rod Kerr*

**Lieutenants:** *John Kerr, Mellisa Moffatt*

**2nd Asst. Chief:** *Dave Brochu, Jr.*

Marsha seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- *Stannard Fire Contract.* An initial meeting happened between reps. from Stannard and Greensboro; Stannard reps. made it clear that the town is very interested in coming to an agreement with Greensboro. Stannard was given relevant statistics, as well as rates Greensboro wants to charge for fire protection services.

Discussion of how often a contract would need to be updated.

It was noted that Stannard will likely come back with a counter-offer.

- *Memorial for Chief Dave Brochu.* Jr. Salls told the Board that members of the fire dept. have discussed, as memorials, a monument at the new fire station and the dedication of a new fire truck.
- *Fire Dept. Equipment Inventory.* Marsha asked Jr. Salls for an inventory and location of fire dept. equipment, for insurance purposes. Jr. noted that there is a lot of equipment in Dave Brochu's house that needs to be moved; he will figure out how much square footage of storage is needed.
- Old F.D. radios will soon be distributed to the Selectboard and town offices; the dept. is still working through issues with it's new radios.
- Since the G.F.D. is a municipal fire dept., VOSHA requires the town to pay for physicals for 'Certified Interior' fire dept. members. Discussion of whether members should use their own doctor or a town-sanctioned physician for these physicals.

Jr. will find out who Hardwick and other area fire depts. use for their physicals. Jefferson noted that an occupational clinic might be the most appropriate and cost-effective place for the physicals.

- *Water Line for New Fire Station.* Peggy did some research, and was told that the water line extension up to the new fire station site could not be financed along with the Fire District's upcoming line upgrade. This is because it would be a new line, going to an empty lot.

## **EMPLOYEE HEALTH PLAN**

New options were discussed; Valdine, Marsha, and Peggy will get together for further discussion. A decision will be made at the next SB meeting.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

- The Board unanimously approved Shaun Hill's request to hold a one-day Thanksgiving bottle release event.
- The Board approved the 'status quo' for Planning Commission clerk/chair Josh Karp's wages: he will be paid his hourly wage (currently \$13/hr) for clerk and chair work, no more than five hours per week.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- *911 number letter.* Warren's draft letter was reviewed and revised by the Board. Jefferson made the following motion:

*The Board approves Warren's 911 number letter, as amended.*

Marsha seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

- *Homestead penalty policy.* The Board approved and signed the new Homestead Penalty Policy.
- *Audit RFP.* Tabled until next meeting.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Marsha made the following motion:

*The Board will enter executive session at 9:15 PM to discuss personnel and legal matters, inviting Valdine Hall to attend.*

Anne seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

The Board left executive session at 9:35 PM.

Anne made the following motion:

*We will change lawyers in the matter of the Perrin Road issue. The current lawyer will be so notified.*

Jefferson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

## **ADJOURNED: 9:45 PM**

*Respectfully submitted,* Josh Karp, Selectboard clerk