



TOWN OF GRANBY

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Town Administrator: Christopher Martin

Board of Selectmen: Wayne Tack, Sr., Chairman
Bryan Hauschild, Clerk
Mary McDowell, Member

Board Meeting: **February 19, 2008 @ 7:00 P.M.,**

AGENDA:

CALL TO ORDER:

VISTOR'S COMMENTS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 17, 2007

APPOINTMENTS: 7:15 Earth Tech (Mary Monahan-Burgess)

NEW BUSINESS: 1. Accept Departmental Reports
2. Approve and Sign Maintenance Warrants
3. Dufresne Park Rental Fee Schedule- 2008

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

BOARD QUESTIONS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

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**GRANBY BOARD OF SELECTMEN
KELLOGG HALL, ROOM 1**

MINUTES OF MEETING

February 19, 2008

Members Present: Wayne Tack Sr., Bryan Hauschild, and Mary McDowell
Town Administrator Christopher Martin

Chairman Wayne H Tack, Sr. called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Tack led the meeting with the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

Visitors Comments: Charles Maheu spoke to the Board concerning the town pursuing grants for the windows, and painting of town hall, as he would rather see the town paint rather than use siding. As he was on the Capital Improvement Committee and they approved the appropriation to be on the annual town meeting warrant. He is sending away for some information about a 50-50 matching grant and he will forward it to Chris Martin. The Town of Granby could possibly get a grant for \$100,000. Chris Martin will also try to contact the Historic District Committee to get a meeting and get their thoughts on the project.

On a motion by Mr. Hauschild and seconded by Mary McDowell the Board unanimously voted to sign the maintenance warrants as read.

On a motion by Mr. Hauschild and seconded by Mary McDowell the Board unanimously voted to accept the Board of Selectmen’s minutes of December 17, 2007 as read.

On a motion by Mr. Hauschild and seconded by Mary McDowell the Board unanimously voted to accept the department reports as read.

Terry Lajoie, chair of the Dufresne Ad-Hoc Committee came in front of the Board to present them with a new fee proposal that the Dufresne Ad-Hoc Committee voted on for the 2008 rental season for approval by the Board. Terry gave the Board a spreadsheet with last years and the proposed fees for this year. She would like to see Charter Day group give something back to the park as that weekend uses the most in supplies and electricity. She also asked about what needs to be done with the Park to get grants. Mr. Martin explained to Terry that the electrical lines would need to be buried or hidden

before the Town can apply for grants. The Board took the Committee's recommendation under consideration and will vote on them at a later time.

Earth Tech representatives gave the Board an overview of the New Ludlow Rd project (paperwork located in back of minutes). They went over the funding options, the SRF important dates, the New Ludlow Road sewer design, USDA Rural Utilities Service and the Granby's Comprehensive Wastewater Management Program. The Town Administrator is looking to have a Special Town Meeting in April just for the Sewer Project. We have an easement in hand with the Town and the Roberts as well as the Order of Conditions for both the Town of Granby and the Town of South Hadley.

On a motion by Mr. Hauschild and seconded by Mary McDowell the Board unanimously voted to approve the fees as presented by the Dufresne Ad-Hoc Committee for the 2008 season. The Board will take under advisement charging fees to the Charter Day Committee for use of electricity, propane and bathroom supplies.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

- 1.) Mr. Martin told the Board that the Commonwealth Capital application for the Town of Granby was completed and the town received a score of 31.
- 2.) Mr. Martin asked the Board whether they would be still giving out the two (2) Good Citizenship Awards for this year's graduating class. The Board said they would be and will be giving Cathy Leonard \$50.00 a piece to give each recipient a check for \$75.00 from the Board along with the plaques.
- 3.) Mr. Martin asked the Board if any of the Board members would be able to attend the FY09 budget presentation for Pathfinder Regional Vocational School on Wednesday March 12th at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Tack said that if Mr. Hauschild could not make the meeting that he would attend with Mr. Martin and Mr. Libera (Finance Committee).
- 4.) Mr. Martin asked the Board if they wanted to proceed with entering in to contract with Stravos for \$6,000 to do the Handicap accessibility report on the Town of Granby. After some discussion, on a motion by Mr. Hauschild and seconded by Mary McDowell the Board unanimously voted to award the contract of \$6,000 to Stravos to do a handicap accessibility report for the Town of Granby.
- 5.) Mr. Martin and the Board read a letter of congratulations for David Desrosiers from the College of Engineering at the University of Massachusetts concerning the Baystate Roads Program in which he was attending. The Board sent a letter of acknowledgement and congratulations for his outstanding job competing the requirements to become a Baystate Roads Scholar.
- 6.) Mr. Martin told the Board that the Town has received back from the ABCC approval of change of manager for the Granby Liquor Store for Jill Johnson. On a motion by Mr. Hauschild and seconded by Mary McDowell the Board unanimously voted to approve and sign a new liquor license for Granby Liquor Store with Jill Johnson as manager which expires on December 31, 2008.
- 7.) Mr. Martin asked the Board if they could meet on February 25th to sign the warrant for the Special Town meeting on March 17, 2008. The Board will meet at

6:30 pm.

- 8.) The bid for the dump truck and body came in over the amount appropriated on the town floor. Mr. Desrosiers and Mr. Tack will go and see a Sterling Truck that was specked in the bids, as it was the lowest bid.
- 9.) Mr. Martin also updated the Board on the "salt" condition for the Town from the Highway Superintendent. There is a shortage due to all the storms this winter. It is a nationwide problem. He is trying to be conservative in the amount he is using. He is also using liquid salt and that is helping. He warns drivers to be aware of the conditions of the roads and drive accordingly.
- 10) Mr. Martin told the Board that he would be meeting with The Massachusetts School Authority in Boston on Friday with Pat Stevens and other members of the School Building Committee to discuss what else will be required by the Town to receive funds for the new school project.
- 11) Mr. Martin spoke to the Board about having Thomas Scanlon come to a Board of Selectmen meeting to discuss the Accountant position with regards to having the Town Administrator be the Town Accountant also. Mr. Hauschild would like him attend a Selectmen's meeting to discuss the checks and balances concerning the town finances. Mr. Martin will ask Mr. Scanlon to attend the Board's April 7th meeting. Mr. Scanlon should be starting the Town's FY07 audit at the end of March.
- 12) Mr. Martin will go over the FY09 budget with the Board at their next meeting.

Board Comments

The Board would like a sub-committee put together made up of the Town Administrator, a member of the Board and a resident to put together policies for approval from the Board of Selectmen. Chris will put together names and bring to the next meeting. There are so many policies to cover it would be a good idea to have the sub-committee look at policies in stages.

The Board would also like to have a calendar put together for the next few months of dates that the Board has meetings. Cathy will get the calendar of events to the Board by the end of the week.

On a motion by Mr. Hauschild and seconded by Mary McDowell, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:50P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Leonard
Board of Selectmen's Secretary