MINUTES OF SELECTMAN'S MEETING TOWN OF GORHAM MONDAY, August 1, 2017 3:00 PM TOWN HALL CONFERENCE ROOM

Gorham Selectman present: Terry Oliver, Patrick Lefebvre, Mike Waddell

Also present: Robin Frost, Town Manager; Austin Holmes, PW Director; Robert Chapman; Josh McAllister and Eric Grenier from HEB Engineers

1. Call-to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Oliver at 3:00 pm.

## 2. Appointments:

a) Josh McAllister and Eric Grenier – HEB Engineers - Selectman Waddell stated that he had a chance to review the study of the roads not already reviewed, which was completed by Eric Grenier last February. While the cost to fix all of those roads is very high, he also noted that the approach suggested by HEB is a bit unusual. That is, they recommend keeping the good roads good by spending money on them before spending money on the bad roads. Mr. McAllister and Mr. Grenier affirmed that is the suggestion. It is understood that there are roads in worse condition, but keeping up with roads that may just need crack sealing or a shim coat makes better financial sense in the long run. It was discussed that the Town of Gorham needs a comprehensive road plan and HEB Engineers will provide a proposal to help with that project. PWD Holmes and TM Frost will work with HEB, along with Superintendent Jeff Tennis of the Water and Sewer Department to come up with a plan to present to the Board of Selectmen.

## 3. Old Business:

a) Munce Properties Purchase & Sales Agreement – TM Frost advised the Board that Mr. Chapman has reviewed the P&S drawn up by our attorney and had one change to request. That was to include a clause that says there would be no taxes assessed on the property for 2017. On a motion by Selectman Lefebvre, seconded by Selectman Waddell, the Board voted unanimously to sign the Purchase & Sales Agreement for the former Munce properties listed below to Robert Chapman, Sr. for the sum of \$2000.

The property and improvements known as Tax Map 13, Lot Number 36, located at 611 Main Street, Gorham, New Hampshire.

The property and improvements known as Tax Map 13, Lot Number 40, located at 614 Main Street, Gorham, New Hampshire.

The property and improvements known as Tax Map 13, Lot Number 37, located at 615 Main Street, Gorham, New Hampshire.

The property and improvements known as Tax Map 13, Lot Number 39, located at 616 Main Street, Gorham, New Hampshire.

The property and improvements known as Tax Map 13, Lot Number 38, located at 619 Main Street, Gorham, New Hampshire.

The property and improvements known as Tax Map 14, Lot Number 10, located at 620

Main Street, Gorham, New Hampshire.

The property and improvements known as Tax Map 14, Lot Number 09, located at 624 Main Street, Gorham, New Hampshire.

Mr. Chapman explained that he is currently working on an environmental assessment of the properties. It was noted that the P&S states that the buyer, Mr. Chapman, assumes all responsibility for any environmental uses that are found on the property and indemnifies the Town from any liability.

He has plans to work on the yellow warehouse building first and move a business in there in the very near future. There are also prospects for the other properties.

b) Cascade Playground Lease – TM Frost explained that the lease is finally ready to be signed by the Board and then returned to Gorham paper & Tissue for signature. Selectman Lefebvre made a motion to sign the lease for the Cascade Playground, seconded by Selectman Waddell. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Oliver signed the lease on behalf of the Town.

- c) Schedule Public Hearings for Purchase of Property at Public Works There are still some items to be ironed out with this sale, so no hearings will be scheduled at this time.
- 4. Adjournment: As there was no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:55 pm.

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED:** 

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