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Town Administrator: Christopher Martin

Granby Select Board: Mark L. Bail, Chair
Mary A. McDowell
Louis Barry

Board Meeting: January 17, 2012 @ 7:00 P.M.

AGENDA:

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

OLD BUSINESS AND INFORMATION:

APPROVE MINUTES:

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

APPOINTMENTS:

NEW BUSINESS AND INFORMATION:

- 1 Accept Departmental Reports
- 2 Approve and Sign Maintenance
- 3 Approve 2012 Common Victuraller's Licenses
- 4 Approve 2012-Class 1, 2 & 3 Renewal Licenses
- 5 Approve Oversize Load Permit
- 6 Affirm appointment to the MPO for PVPC
- 7 DCR Public Announcement

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:



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Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2012

Members Present:

Mark Bail, Louis Barry, and Mary McDowell.

Mr. Bail, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and led the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance".

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Larry Pietras introduced the new part time program director for Granby Access TV-Trisha Hicks. She has 10 yrs of experience. She is currently teaching a class in video in Enfield CT at a Community College. She will eventually have office hours and a student program in the future. She will be placing all the old meetings of Board/Committee meetings on Channel 12 and all the 2012 meetings on Channel 15. The Board welcomed Ms. Hicks as the new program director.

APPROVE MINUTES

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to approved as written the Selectboard meeting regular session minutes of November 14th, 21st, 28th, December 19th 2011 and January 3rd, 2012.

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to approve as written the Selectboard office hour minutes of January 14, 2012

REPORT OF TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Update on landfill bag program: The initial order of bags has been received at the warehouse of WasteZero. The following places will be selling the bags:

BP Gas Station	30 West State Street
Center Pharmacy	242 Center St
Granby Country Grain	108 West State Street
Aldrich Hall	247 East State Street
Council on Aging	10 West State Street

Both Big Y's in South Hadley MA at 44 Willimansett St and 487 Newton Street.

The bags are sold in package of 5 with cost being \$4.50 for the 15-gallon bags and \$8.75 for the 33-gallon bags.

(Mary is still working with the Board of Health and having them sell landfill stickers. She did not ask about selling the bags. Chris will contact the Board of Health on selling the bags.)

Chris asked if there was going to be a hardship program. He has talked to Arlene Miller and she said that they have one in some of the communities that she works with. The Board asked Chris to contact Arlene Miller again and see if she has a model policy and whether they do it case by case.

New Policy: A Board member suggested to Chris to have a new policy that when an employee comes back from serving our country overseas that they receive a welcome back letter from the Select Board. The Board agreed that it was a good idea and asked Chris to develop a policy so that not only employees of the town but any resident that served overseas could receive a letter.

Town Warrant for Presidential Primary: Chris presented the warrant from the Town Clerk to be signed. Mary McDowell read the warrant as presented. On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously approved and signed the Town Warrant for the Presidential Primary on Tuesday March 6th, 2012 to be held at the East Meadow School located at 393 East State Street from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Both precincts 1 and 2 will be voting at the school.

Office Space Committee Charge: Chris presented the Board with the new charge for the Office Space Committee. On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously accepted the following charge for the Office Space Committee:

1. Continue with office needs process.
2. Identify a minimum of two sites along Route 202 for consolidation of offices onto one site.
3. Determine site issues that need to be investigated.
4. Determine amount necessary to investigate potential site.
5. Identify potential outside funding sources.
6. Report back to the Board within ninety days.

APPOINTMENTS

None

NEW BUSINESS AND INFORMATION

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously accepted the departmental warrants as read.

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry, it was unanimously voted to approve and sign the maintenance warrants.

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to approve the following Common Victuraller's licenses for 2012, all to expire December 31, 2012 as amended:

12-18	Center Pharmacy	242 Center Street, Granby
12-19	Rockwell Amusement-RI	Dufresne Park- Charter Day Event
12-20	Fairview Sportsman Fish & Game	280 Carver Street
12-21	SOARS-Diane Piquette	Dufresne Park

Christopher Martin recommended that the Board waive the fee for the Granby SOARS, as they are a non-profit group working for the betterment of Dufresne Park. Board will vote on the SOARS separately.

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to waive the fee of \$25.00 for a Common Victuraller's license for 2012, for Granby SOARS as it a non-profit group helping Dufresne Park.

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to and approve the Common Victuraller's license for 2012, to expire December 31, 2012 for Granby SOARS, contact person Diane Piquette at 32 Kendall Street.

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to approve the following Class 1 license with the same restriction as the previous years and expiring on January 1, 2013:

01-0001	Suzuki of Western Mass. Inc, d/b/a Allpower	43 West State Street
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On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry, it was unanimously voted to approve the following Class 2 license with the same restriction as the previous years and expiring on January 1, 2013:

02-0002	AMAJ Inc.--d/b/a/ AJ'S Auto Body	39 West State Street
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On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to approve the following Motor Vehicle Junk-Class 3 license with the same restriction as the previous years and expiring on January 1, 2013:

03-0001	Suzuki of Western Mass. Inc, d/b/a Allpower	43 West State Street
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On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to approve and sign the oversized load permit to Ted Ondrick Co., LLC so that they may move oversized/over weight construction equipment from their quarry at 240 Chicopee Street (#12-01).

Board discussed having a member of the Board serve as member of the MPO for PVPC. All Board members were unable to serve at this time but would revisit if a member could not be found from the other towns involved.

In accordance with 301 CMR 51.00, et seq., Mary McDowell read a public announcement that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is interested in acquiring

approximately, 39.43(+/-) acres of land, or other property interest, in the Town of Granby. The property if acquired will be used for conservation and passive recreation and is located on Harris Street (Map 12 Block A, Lot 5 & 6). Mr. Bail signed a certificate of announcement stating that it was read at this public meeting.

OLD BUSINESS AND INFORMATION

Mary McDowell

Board of Health-Landfill Stickers: Told the Board that she had spoke to Mike Pandora (BOH) about the concerns the Board had about only accepting checks. Mr. Pandora said he would bring it back to his Board. His feeling was as long as we could supply a lock box and insure that there was pick-up the Board would go along with it.

IT for the Town: Asked how we were doing on getting information back from the companies that were interested in working for the town. Chris updated the Board telling them that he has not received any correspondence from the companies with regards to sending him references. He will send another email to the 3-companies.

Waste Management Issue: Asked for an update on the discrepancies. Chris told the Board that he heard back from John Giorgio and he had looked at the proposed amendment that Gail Lynch had written up (amendment to the existing contract concerning this whole situation). Mr. Giorgio is on vacation until January 30th. Chris would like him to come to a meeting and talk to the Board about the situation and the proposed amendment. He has not paid Waste Management any fees as requested by the Board. The fees are about \$73,000 at this time. We are receiving past due notices.

Landfill Proposals: Asked if Chris has scheduled Waste Management to come to a Board meeting to give a presentation on operating the transfer station in the future. Chris will have him come to a meeting in February. He will have him give a presentation on a drop-off center after the sub-quaint closing of the landfill, which they would run and a proposal for town wide pick-up. The Board would like Chris to also invite other companies to come in and give a proposal for town wide pick-up and/or run a drop site. Chris will send letters to several companies and set it up so that one proposal is done at each meeting.

Mark Bail:

At the Board's office hours on January 14th they discussed having the Select Board meetings start at 6:30 pm rather than 7:00 pm and adding unfinished business to the agenda. After some discussion the Board voted the following:

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to change the Select Board regular meeting start time to 6:30 pm.

On a motion by Louis Barry and seconded by Mary McDowell the Board unanimously voted that business that has not been finalized be included in part of the Town Administrator's report and listed and brought to every meeting with any updates that might apply.

Select Board Policies: They Board also talked about reviewing the current polices, one a meeting. Cathy will send the first policy to the Board for the Board's next meeting.

Lou Barry:

Employee Issue: Chris will send a letter reminding the employee of their job description. The Board asked that he send it to all the employees for this job. And remind them that the public is watching them. Chris will write a letter and send it to the Board for approval.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. McDowell stated the Board would be going into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations and would only be going back into regular session to adjourn the meeting.

On Roll Call vote, the Board voted to go into Executive Session – Barry-AYE, McDowell-AYE, Bail-AYE @ 7:56PM

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry it was unanimously voted to adjourn the regular session meeting @ 8:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Leonard
Town Administrator's Secretary