



TOWN OF GRANBY

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Town Administrator: Christopher Martin

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

Board Meeting: February 21, 2012 @ 6:30 P.M.

AGENDA:

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

OLD BUSINESS AND INFORMATION:

Review changes to Select Board Policy #06-02

Gravel Permit Update

APPROVE MINUTES:

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

APPOINTMENTS:

6:45 James Curran-Dufresne Park Rental

7:00 Tom Murray-Waste Management Presentation

NEW BUSINESS AND INFORMATION:

- 1 Accept Departmental Reports
- 2 Approve and Sign Maintenance
- 3 Approve 2012 Common Victuraller's Licenses
- 4 Approve Charter Day Bonfire Request
- 5 Request for Dufresne Park Fee Waiver
- 6 Approve Sewer Abatement
- 7 Schedule Budgetary Meetings with Department Heads
- 8 Review Select Board Policy #09-01

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:



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Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2012

Members Present:

Mark Bail, Louis Barry, and Mary McDowell and Town Administrator Christopher Martin.

Mr. Bail, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. and led the meeting with the "Pledge of Allegiance".

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Rich Domeracki, 424 Batchelor Street commented to the Board about Judge Dina Fein's decision concerning the approved gravel permit by the Select Board for Stony Hill Sand and Gravel for Trompke Ave.

- He applauded the residents who appealed the Board's decision.
- He wanted to remind the Board that if they feel that there is enough concerns by residents about allowing a permit they can deny it.
- The Board did not take adequate consideration of the noise, traffic and safety before they made a decision. He hopes they will remember this in the future before approving a special permit. All concerns by the residents need to be addressed by the applicant and the applicant needs to bare the cost.
- All members of the Select Board need to approve or disapprove the special permit it can not be a majority vote.
- Board needs to make sure that they get approval from the Zoning Board of Appeals for a Earth Removal Permit.
- Town could save money by using this judgment as a tool for any future permits.

APPROVE MINUTES

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to approve as written the Selectboard meeting regular session minutes of February 6th, 2012.

OLD BUSINESS AND INFORMATION

Review changes to Select Board Policy #06-02: On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry, it was unanimously voted to accept Select Board Policy #06-02 with changes made at the Select Board's meeting on February 6th, 2012.

Gravel Permit Update: Chris Martin explained to the Board they had received a letter from Atty. Martel outlining the Judge Fein decision and while the Board does have the right to appeal the decision he recommends that they do not. On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry, it was unanimously voted to take the advice of Atty. Martel and not to pursue the case of Stony Hill Sand and Gravel any further.

APPOINTMENTS

James Curran-Dufresne Park Rental: Mr. Curran came in front of the Board as required by the Dufresne Park Rental Fee Rules and Regulations to get Non-Profit status for the park. Mr. Curran explained to the Board how the Patrick Curran Project has donated 10-jackets to the High School Senior Basketball players both girls and boys at a cost of \$900.00. On a motion by Mark Bail and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to waive the \$70.00 dollar user fee for Patrick Curran Project for the use of Dufresne Park Pavilion on Saturday September 8th, 2012.

Tom Murray-Waste Management Presentation: Tom Murray, Bob Magnusson and Daniel DiTullio of Waste Management presented proposals for the Town's municipal solid waste disposal after the landfill closes. They presented three options to the Town. The proposals are as follows:

- A. Maintain transfer station/drop-off area. This would keep the process as it is now. The residents would continue to bring their waste and recycling to the current location and deposit in the proper containers. Their proposed cost for this is \$500,000 - \$640,000 based on 2,600 tons and the 2011 amount of recyclables processed at the site. The cost consists of three parts; disposal costs, hauling costs and operational costs.
- B. Town-wide curbside collection. Under this proposal, Waste Management would provide eligible households two containers; one 64-gallon container for trash and one 96-gallon container for recyclables. An automatic arm on the truck would do the collection. The driver would not get out of the vehicle. Based on the size of the Town, the collection would occur over 2-3 days. The trash would be picked up weekly and the recyclables would be collected bi-weekly under single stream. Their proposed cost for this is \$525,000 - \$550,000 with automated pick up.
- C. Private subscription. Under this proposal, the Town is no longer in the municipal waste business. It is totally private. The subscription service is paid for by the household and Waste Management deals with all the costs associated with the disposal of the waste and recyclables. They also would deal with bulky item issues also.

The Board and Waste Management discussed the three options and potential variations on them.

NEW BUSINESS AND INFORMATION

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

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

Approve 2012 Common Victuraller's Licenses: 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, to expire December 31, 2012:

12-24 Lynn Spagnesi d/b/a Fluggles Plus 32 Kendall St-Dufresne Park

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to approve the following Common Victuraller's license for 2012, to expire December 31, 2012 and waiving the \$25.00 fee:

12-25 Granby Booster Club 385 East State Street

Approve Charter Day Bonfire Request: On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to approve the request for a ceremonial bonfire for the Charter Day Event on Friday June 8th, under MA regulations 527.10.23 with the Fire Department being on hand to supervise and extinguish the bonfire and following all restrictions/instructions required by the Granby Conservation Commission and Fire Department.

Approve Sewer Abatement: On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted approve the abatement for No. 2170-217 commitment, No. 12-01 in the amount of \$301.25 for the first half of fiscal 2012 as evidence received by the Board in the form of a letter from their certified water operator for 54-56 West State Street.

Request for Dufresne Park Fee Waiver: Mary McDowell read the letter the Board received from Judy Mastorakis, President of the Granby PM Club. They are a small community service organization serving the Town of Granby. The PM Club is organizing an Easter Egg Hunt for the children of Granby on Saturday March 31st at Dufresne Park. They asked that the fee be waived for the use of the park as it is a free event. The extra money from the waiver would be used to cover the cost of the event. On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to waive the \$70.00 dollar user fee for the PM Club for the use of Dufresne Park Pavilion on Saturday March 31st 2012 for the Easter Egg Hunt.

Schedule Budgetary Meetings with Department Heads: Board will hold budgetary meeting with the Department Heads under the Town Administrator and Select Board on Wednesday March 7th and Thursday March 8th. Cathy Leonard will set-up the appointments to begin at 5:30 pm and give each Department Head 45 minutes to discuss their FY 13 proposed budgets with the Select Board.

Review Select Board Policy #09-01: Moved to next meeting

REPORT OF TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Louis Barry the Board unanimously voted to approve and sign the Chief of Police Contract with Alan Wishart for the period of July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2014. Mark Bail also read a letter from Fire Chief Anderson commending the Police Department for their arrest for an arson concerning a house fire set in 2011 (letter included in back of minutes).

Board will still give the Select Board scholarship out to this year and will have a member present it to the recipient at the awards night at the High School.

Atty. Ryan and John Stewart have been working on the wording for accepting the Stewart land for the new library. Mr. Martin is hoping to have a Special Town Meeting in March to have the town accept the land and the Forge Pond Property.

Landfill Bag Program: Going well, only real issue was stores running out of the bags. Chris will contact the Annex to see if they are willing to sell the bags.

Unfinished Business:

- *Police Chief Contract:* Signed earlier in meeting.
- *Move Aldrich Hall Staff to Council On Aging* – Met with Project Manager for the installation of lift. Some concerns with fire proof/fire rating and cutting the concrete floor. Mr. Martin will talk more with the Building Inspector. No time line at this time.
- *Gravel Permit Issue-* Discussed earlier in meeting
- *Partyka Forge Pond Property* – Gave Board a draft copy of purchase and sell agreement with FMJ Realty for the purchase of 147 +/- acres for an asking price of \$50,000 to be left as open space and a plaque naming the conservation area after Mr. Partyka's wife (Emily L Paryka). The assessed value of the property is \$445,000. Mr. Martin asked that the Board take a close look at the restrictions as part of the purchase. Chris will email a copy of the draft to Atty. Ryan.
- *South Hadley Fire District II Issue-* Atty. Giorgio attending March 5th meeting with Board to discuss this and landfill issues. He will also talk with the Board concerning the amendment to the Landfill contract and the tonnage issue.
- *Landfill Proposals* –Will have another company in for a presentation for the second meeting in March.

- *IT Services* – Spoke with Whalley Computer Services (State Bid list) and will schedule a meeting next week and he also received more information from the other companies interested.
- *Master Plan* –A letter has been sent to Mr. Emre Evren asking him to give the Board an electronic copy of the Master Plan as it stands now, by February 29th.
- *Personnel Board*- Letters have been sent to the present members of the Personnel Board and Mr. Martin Merrill to attend the Select Board meeting on Monday March 5th.
- *Landfill Hardship* – Read and gave the Board a draft copy and will make changes as suggested and place it on the next meeting in March for approval.
- *Vet Recognition Procedure* – Still working on.
- *Leave absence policy*- Still working with Chief of Police
- *Temporary agreement with Stewarts*: Mark Bail signed the temporary use agreement to use Meadow Road on the Stewart property for the future library. Need to do some expansion and modification to bring in the construction equipment to construct the permanent road.
- *South District 1 Letter*: Chris needs to send a response letter back to them concerning the letter that was sent to them from our Highway Superintendent regarding the fire hydrant issue on Morgan Street.
- *Open Space Plan*: Will have names for next meeting.

Mary McDowell:

The amount of the Gravel Permit costs? Chris will look up the information and get it to Mary.

Do we still need two monitors on Saturday's with the count of cars going down? Chris will look at the count but he still thinks that two people are needed. One to check the sticker and one to see what everyone is throwing in. Chris will put it in writing what each monitor is suppose to be doing on Saturday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Louis Barry and seconded by Mary McDowell it was unanimously voted to adjourn the regular session meeting @ 8:27 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Leonard