



TOWN OF GRANBY

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Town Administrator: Christopher Martin

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

Board Meeting: November 3, 2014 @ 6:30 P.M.

AGENDA:

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

MINUTES:

OLD BUSINESS:

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

APPOINTMENTS:

- 6:30 Margaret Ritter Lacasse-Historical Commission
- 6:40 Edward Parker-Trash-Pick –Up
- 6:50 Chief Wishart-Draft Policies
- 7:00 PVTA

NEW BUSINESS AND INFORMATION:

- 1 Accept Departmental Reports
- 2 Approve and Sign Maintenance Warrant- 26, 27, 28
- 3 Approve and Sign Form 43-for ABCC-Change of Hours-Liquor Stores

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:



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Minutes of Select Board November 3, 2014

Members Present: Louis Barry, Mark Bail, Mary McDowell
Christopher Martin, Town Administrator

Chairman, Mark Bail, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and led the Board in the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Terry Lajoie, Chair of the Granby Historical Commission asked the Board to sign off on the Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey and Planning Grant. This is needed so that the Town can be reimbursed from the State. Mary McDowell wanted to make sure that everything was complete before the Board signed-off. Ms. Lajoie told her everything was done except for the narrative; she would be finishing that tonight. It needs to be sent out immediately, it was due on October 31. On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Lou Barry, the Board unanimously authorized Mark Bail to sign on behalf of the Select Board with the understanding that everything is completed before it is sent out. Ms. Lajoie said she will give the Select Board a copy of the completed paperwork. (3-0-0)

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

- He and Mark Bail met with the School Officials working on Shared Services. The meeting went well and they will be scheduling another meeting.
- The Strategic Finance Planning Committee is working on dates that everyone is available to meet.
- Spoke with John Libera, Finance Committee Chair about FY-16, will be starting to get budget sheets out soon.

APPOINTMENTS

Margaret Ritter Lacasse-Historical Commission: Margaret Ritter Lacasse came in front of the Board as she is interested in being appointed to the Granby Historical Commission. On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mary McDowell, the Board unanimously

affirmed the appointment of Margaret Ritter Lacasse to the Granby Historical Commission for a term ending 6/30/16. (3-0-0)

Edward Parker Sr Trash-Pick –Up explained to the Board that he has a second bag of trash once in awhile because of his Bed & Breakfast and would like to know if the Board would allow it be picked up without being in an official blue bag. The Board told Mr. Parker that they could not approve his request as it is not fair to the rest of the town. They did allow small businesses to have one barrel the same as residents. He needs to buy the blue bags to have his second bag of trash picked up by Republic Services.

Chief Wishart-Draft Policies: Chief Wishart presented the Board with two draft polices that he would like to implement: 1: Internet Sites /Web Pages/Social Networking 2: Medical Marijuana Use. On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mary McDowell, the Board unanimously approved the following polices for the Granby Police Department; 1: Internet Sites /Web Pages/Social Networking 2: Medical Marijuana Use, as submitted (3-0-0). Chief Wishart would like to present a NARCAN draft policy to Board at their next meeting.

PVTA: Joshua Rickman, Manager of Operation and Planning for Pioneer Valley Transit Authority spoke to the Board concerning the recommendations from the PVTA Advisory Board to eliminate the fixed route service provided by Route R25 on West State Street and West Street due to low ridership. The route operates 2- trips per day to Granby at 7:30 am and 2:00 pm. A recent completed analysis showed that no ridership being generated in Granby. “The PVTA believes it is in the best interest of the routes overall efficiency to eliminate the limited service to Granby”. The service will stop on December 7, 2014.

PVTA provides a complimentary paratransit van service for individuals who have a physical or cognitive disability that prevents them from accessing the fixed route service. The ADA requires this service to be provided within ¾ of a mile from a fixed route line. PVTA goes beyond that and services the whole town. The town has 32 active users. Residents can get more information from the Senior Center.

NEW BUSINESS

Departmental Reports: On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mary McDowell, the Board unanimously approved the departmental reports as presented. (3-0-0)

Maintenance Warrants: On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mary McDowell, the Board unanimously approved and signed the following maintenance warrants for FY-15-26, 27, 28. (3-0-0)

Approve and Sign Form 43-for ABCC-Change of Hours-Liquor Stores: On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mary McDowell, the Board unanimously approved the new Sunday hours (10:00 am-11:00 pm and 10:00 am -11:30 pm on a Sunday preceding a Holiday) for Granby Liquor Store and Vickers’s Liquor. Both stores said they did not think they would open that early, but wanted it on their license if they decided to open.

The new hours were approved by the ABCC and needed a courtesy approval from the Local License Authority. (3-0-0)

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Bail told the Board that he had a meeting a week ago Thursday with SHFD2 and our two Chiefs with regards to the meeting that the Board had with them on the October 20. Rick Constantine said he brought the Town of Granby's proposal to his Board and they did not agree to the dual dispatch. They will be sending the town a letter asking that we give them sole authority with regards to SHFD2 in terms of distinguishing fires, building permits, inspections, and investigations. He also believes they also want us to send over the Forest Wardens burning permits. He does not know when they will be sending the letter. After some discussion the Board agreed to wait to get the letter before they decide on a course of action. At that point they will make a decision and send a letter to the residents of Granby who are in SHFD2.

INFORMATION

Lou Barry told the Board that he would speak with the Granby Preservation Society to see if they would allow the Annual Tree Lighting to be done at Kellogg Hall this year.

Mary McDowell asked if Softwright was up and running. Mr. Martin said it was not, he has been busy with SHFD2.

Mary McDowell asked that Mr. Martin make sure that evaluations are done on all employees each year. It is very important that they get done.

MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Ms. McDowell, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of September 15, October 6 and 20 as presented. (3-0-0)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mary McDowell and seconded by Lou Barry it was unanimously voted to adjourn the regular session meeting @ 7:34 PM. (3-0-0)

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Leonard
Town Administrator's Secretary