

TOWN OF GROVELAND

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MEETING NOTICE TOWN CLERK (MGL Chapter 30A, Sections 18-25)

COMMITTEE OR CONVENING BODY:

Board of Selectmen

MEETING PLACE:

Selectmen's Conference Room

Town Hall - 183 Main Street, Groveland, MA

DATE & TIME OF

MEETING:

Monday, November 21, 2011 @ 6:15 P.M.

AGENDA ITEMS:

Approve Minutes - November 14, 2011

Approve Weekly Warrants

Approve Property Use Permits, if any

Chairman to sign Bagnall bill submittals, if any

Review Correspondence, if any

6:30 p.m. – Library Trustees-asking for help to solve the problem of purchasing policies that would enable the library to have monies up front in order to save the library

a significant amount in their materials budget.

Signed:

Date: November 16, 2011

All meeting notices must be time stamped and filed in the Town Clerk's Office and posted 48 hours prior to the meeting (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and all Holidays).

MINUTES

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

NOVEMBER 21, 2011

Meeting called to order at 6:25 P.M.

Present Donald N. Greaney, William H. Darke and Chairman Elizabeth A. Gorski.

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

Moved Darke, seconded Greaney, and it was

VOTED: To accept the Minutes of November 14, 2011, as presented.

Warrants

Moved Darke, seconded Greaney, and it was

VOTED: To approve Payroll Warrant #12-20.

GREANEY, DARKE - "AYE"; GORSKI - "ABSTAIN" 2-1

Moved Darke, seconded Greaney, and it was

VOTED: To approvel Deduction Warrant #12-18A and Bill Warrant #12-17. 3-0

Property Use Permit

There were no Property Use Permits requiring consideration.

Request for Appointment

The Groveland Housing Authority Board of Commissioners notified the Selectmen's Assistant that Commissioner Rosamond Muise would no longer be serving as GHA's representative on the Community Preservation Committee, and that the Board of Commissioners voted at their meeting on November 17, 2011 to nominate Commissioner Kathleen Prunier to fill the remaining term. Moved Darke, seconded Greaney, and it was

VOTED: To appoint Groveland Housing Authority Commissioner Kathleen
Prunier as the GHA representative on the Community Preservation
Committee, said appointment effective through June 30, 2012. 3-0

Grant of Emergency Vehicle Turning Easement-Philbrick Street 40B

Carl Gardner submitted through the Board's Assistant an Emergency Vehicle Turning Easement for the Philbrick Street 40B development, said Easement he was required to grant as part of the Zoning Board of Appeals Decision in this matter. The Board's Assistant informed the Selectmen that she had spoken with Town Counsel who acknowledged she had reviewed the document and approved it as to form provided that additional language be added thereto through the Board's motion. Moved Darke, seconded Greaney, and it was

VOTED: To approve the Grant of Emergency Vehicle Turning Easement for Philbrick Street and to refer it to Town Meeting for acceptance, but with the understanding that the easement may be recorded now with the following language added to it: The easement granted herein shall be perfected and take full effect when the acceptance thereof has been authorized by Town Meeting, as evidenced by the recording of an Acceptance of Easement, executed by the Groveland Board of Selectmen together with a certified copy of said Town Meeting vote. 3-0

Finance Director Labrecque

Selectman Darke addressed the viewing public regarding the recent decision of Finance Director Greg Labrecque to accept a full-time Treasurer position with the City of Lowell and the Selectmen agreeing to allow him to try working on a part-time basis, 5-6 hours per week, to keep his office up to date. Darke stated he has heard rumors and comments about Labrecque only needing 5-6 hours a week to do his job and the town being able to save a large portion of his salary. Darke told the viewing public that the Board knew that Labrecque's job could not be done in 5-6 hours a week and that eventually the Board would have had to consider looking for a replacement. Darke further stated that the Board is pleased to have Labrecque back; that they have good people working for the town and that he believes the town is in good hands; that he is speaking on this again tonight because he does not want the gossiping to continue; that he is glad to still have our team in tact. Chairman Gorski remarked that the Board feels the town is in good shape and has received positive comments from other area town leaders asking how we manage to accomplish many projects while not having large debt.

Fiscal Year 2011 Audit

Labrecque informed the Board of Selectmen that the auditors were at town hall all of last week and have completed the FY 2011 audit. The Board will receive a copy of the report when it has been completed. A copy of audit reports are kept on file in the Selectmen's files and the Town Clerk's Office.

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Elected Board/Appointed Committee Vacancies

The Selectmen reported on the "All Boards Meeting" they held last week and asked that the following vacancies be reported on the town's cable t.v. public access channel with the hope that volunteers will come forward:

Elected Positions: Planning Board – One Vacancy

Board of Health – One Vacancy Board of Assessors – One Vacancy Housing Authority - One Vacancy

Appointed Positions: Zoning Board of Appeals - Three "Alternate Position" Vacancies

Finance Board - Three Vacancies

Capital Improvement Committee - One Vacancy

Affordable Housing Committee -

Buntings

The Board agreed that the idea of placing buntings on town buildings at times of passing of town employees/retirees and past and current elected officials would be an appropriate way to acknowledge the loss; that lowering of the flag should only be done by Presidential or Governor order. Selectman Greaney volunteered to look into the types available and cost thereof. Chairman Gorski again mentioned the sudden and sad passing of 20+ year public safety Dispatcher Sally Rogers who passed away on November 11, 2011 following retiring from service with the town on September 1, 2011.

Happy Thanksgiving

The Board of Selectmen wished all residents of Groveland a Happy Thanksgiving Day!

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, moved Darke, seconded Greaney, and it was

VOTED: To adjourn.

Adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Lewandowski Administrative Assistant