



**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
AGENDA**

September 26, 2011

**6:15 P.M - Call meeting to order
All stand for Pledge of Allegiance**

Approve Minutes: September 12, 2011

Approve Warrants:

PW # 12-12	\$ 123,990.24
DW #12-10A	\$ 28,759.45
BW # 12-11	\$ 218,167.39

NEEDS ATTENTION

- 1) Please sign Chapter 90 request on table (new form—only has room for Chair's signature)
- 2) Approve & Sign Property Use Permits
- 3) Chairman-signature needed on Bagnall bill submittals & RFQ & Proposal for Sewer to Bagnall
- 4) Request from Ken Smith & Russ Conway to have a place at the Pine's Recreation property to install a memorial stone denoting the Speedway and those that raced, see attached sketches for ideas. No cost to town. Just would like to have a small area dedicated to the former racers.
- 5) MEMA recommends town formally adopting a "statewide public safety mutual aid" and a "statewide public works municipal mutual aid agreement"—doing so would allow our town to receive help from other towns if we had a disaster we couldn't handle on our own.
- 6) See attached request from Library Trustees to replace the rental storage pod they have to the rear of the library with one that they will purchase from donated funds (same location); and request that a representative of the BOS attend the Oct. 12 meeting of the Trustees to review Annual Action Plan of the Long-Range Strategic Plan.
- 7) See letter from Dr. James Manganiello's Attorney Jeffrey Roelof. He would like a response regarding his request to meet with you and town counsel in a settlement meeting.
- 8) Review and vote approval for signing on for Code Red (reverse 911)—Sept 30 deadline for spending \$3,500 grant Director Gillen applied for to help with first year cost

AGENDA APPOINTMENTS

6:30 p.m. – Planning Board members – proposed zoning changes

**7:00 p.m. - Dirt the Skirt representative Christine Sullivan regarding her use of town softball field
Dan Stewart of Recreation was also asked to attend. I have not heard from him directly but rec member Pam Blaquiére emailed me and stated neither he nor anyone from Rec will be attending & they would like an agenda appt in Feb to schedule field dates**

REMINDER – Special Town Meeting – next Mon., Oct. 3, 2011 at 7:00pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 11, 2011 @ 6:15 P.M.

MINUTES
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SEPTEMBER 26, 2011

Meeting called to order at 6:30 P.M.

Present Donald N. Greaney and Chairman Elizabeth A. Gorski

Absent William H. Darke

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

Moved Greaney, seconded Gorski, and it was

VOTED: To accept the Minutes of September 12, 2011,
as presented.

Warrants

Due to the absence of Selectman Darke, Chairman Gorski called upon the Rule of Necessity to sign the Payroll Warrant. Moved Greaney, seconded Gorski, and it was

VOTED: To approve Payroll Warrant #12-12, Deduction Warrant
#12-10A and Bill Warrant #12-11. 2-0

Property Use Permit

Selectmen signed several Property Use Permits.

Chapter 90 Project Request

Moved Greaney, seconded Gorski, and it was

VOTED: To authorize Chairman Gorski to sign the Chapter 90
Request in the sum of \$214,370.00 for Professional
Engineering Services for the Rehabilitation of Route 97,
Phase I-75% design. 2-0

Bagnall School-Request for Qualifications

Moved Greaney, seconded Gorski, and it was

VOTED: To authorize Chairman Gorski to sign the RFQ presented
by Bagnall School Project Committee member John Osborne. 2-0

Request for Pines Speedway Memorial Stone at Pines

Claire Walsh of the Historic Commission submitted a request from Ken Smith (Pentucket Bank) and Russ Conway (former sports writer for Eagle Trib) asking that a memorial stone be placed at the Pines Recreation Area remembering those who had raced at the Speedway, said stone to be of no cost to the town. A sketch of their idea was presented. The Selectmen stated they would be in favor of including such a memorial at the Pines once plans are made for the

additions thereto and that they will work with the Pines Development Committee to select a proper location.

MEMA-Opt-In Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement

Selectmen reviewed letter received from Mass Emergency Management Agency regarding Statewide Public Safety and Public Works Mutual Aid and, upon motion duly made by Greaney, seconded by Gorski, it was

VOTED: To authorize Chairman Gorski to sign the Mutual Aid Opt-In form to allow the town of Groveland to participate in accordance with MGL Chapter 40, Sections 4J and 4K. 2-0

Library Trustee's Request-Book Storage Pod

Library Trustee Chairman Kathleen Prunier requested permission to replace the Book Storage Pod they are currently renting with one that the Library will purchase and to place it in the same area as the rental unit. Moved Greaney, seconded Gorski, and it was

VOTED: To approve the request of the Library Trustees to replace the rental Book Storage Pod with one they will purchase, provided that they consult with the Road Commissioner in regards to it's location. 2-0

Fire Department Resignations

The Board reviewed written communication received from the Clerk to the Board of Fire Engineers informing the Board that Andrew Cox and Luke Davis have resigned as call firefighters and Board of Engineer member William Dickson resigned from the Board due to moving out of town. Moved Greaney, seconded Gorski, and it was

VOTED: To accept the resignations of Andrew Cox and Luke Davis as firefighters, and accept the resignation of William Dickson from the Board of Fire Engineers. 2-0

Executive Session Correspondence

The Board agreed to review and discuss executive session correspondence when Selectman Darke is present.

Meeting October 4th-School Lease Discussion

Finance Director Labrecque informed the Board that the School Committee will be discussing completing Leases for the towns elementary school and would like a representative from Groveland at the meeting. Labrecque agreed to attend if the Selectmen are unable to.

Planning Board

Planning Chairman Walter Sorenson had requested a meeting with the Board of Selectmen to bring them up to date on the Planning Board's plans to make another attempt to change the zoning on Center Street (section between School and Washington Streets) from industrial to residential. Sorenson stated that his Board would conduct several hearings on this because proposed change prior to presenting it for Annual Town Meeting. He stated that a CSD plan would be better for the town with the property owner donating field space back to the town rather than building 40B housing and not donating the field space to the town.

Dirt the Skirts Representative-Christine Sullivan Higgins

Christine Sullivan Higgins met with the Selectmen to discuss her group's use of the Pine's Softball Field. Higgins reported to the Board that DTS's Permit was granted last Spring for softball (May-Sept) and flag football (Sept-Nov); that since the permit was approved she has been asked on several occasions to move their games to different dates to accommodate the town softball league and have done so when it was possible to do so. Higgins stated that one of the dates was Groveland Day. The next day was her league's first flag football game and one of her players had painted lines with athletic field paint in the outfield and made a team logo for the center of the playing field, none of which could be seen unless you were in the outfield. When the league arrived to play their game that Sunday they found someone had mowed out the logo down to dirt level; that one of their players is a former Groveland Police Officer and called the station to report the damage done to the field. Dan Stewart and Todd Newton were contacted about the problem. Higgins reported that Stewart told her she needs to move out now; that there are people who feel she is hoarding the field and that is going to change; that people will be going to town hall to see that DTS doesn't use the fields and mentioned that Bill Darke is aware of this. Higgins told Stewart she had done everything she needed to do to receive her Permit and told the Selectmen that she feels the rec committee doesn't respect DTS's use of the field. The Board's Assistant told the Board that she had asked Dan Stewart to attend the meeting and that he had responded he would, but then she received an email from Pam Blaquiere stating that Dan would not be attending.

Chairman Gorski responded that the fields are for everyone; that she respects everyone's right to use the field and is disappointed to hear that this happened to DTS or anyone else. Gorski told Higgins she is bothered that someone took it upon themselves to do this to those beautiful fields (mow out the logo). Gorski also told Higgins that there is not a fairer person than Bill Darke and that she wished he was present because she doubts he would have said she needs to go. Finance Director Labrecque pointed out that the town groups keep expanding their leagues and that they need to be told to stop doing so until the Pines project is completed and new fields are built to accommodate more programs; that the Selectmen need to tell the groups "no more expansion".

Gorski apologized to Higgins and told her that the Selectmen approve the use of town property and asked that in the future Higgins speak with our office, not recreation. Higgins thanked the Board for their time.

Adjournment

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

VOTED: To adjourn.
Adjourned at 8:04 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Lewandowski, Admin. Asst.