



GRAFTON TOWN BOARD MEETING

May 13, 2019

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY: Councilman Wagar at 7PM, at which time the Pledge of Allegiance was said

ROLL CALL: COUNCILWOMAN DOOLEY – Present

COUNCILMAN WAGAR – Present

COUNCILMAN BUCKLEY – Present

SUPERVISOR GUNDRUM – Present

COUNCILWOMAN DESCHAIINE – Present

ALSO, IN ATTENDANCE WERE THE FOLLOWING: Legislator, Jeff Wysocki, Rich Terping, Nealson Darlin, Tom Kiley Sr, Tom Kiley Jr, Marge Littlejohn, Connie Alderman, Linda Lavaway, R.G. Gundrum, Pam Vars, Frank Higgins, Joe Allain, Donna Baldwin, LeAnna Sweet, Steve Beaudry, Jimmy Goyer, Doug LaRocque, Jerod Bouchard, Frank Sbrega, Bob Bly, Randy Jones, David Buckley & Mick Butler

APPROVAL/CORRECTION OF MINUTES FROM April 8th meeting & April 22nd workshop

MOTION MADE BY: Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Buckley

MOTION CARRIED: 5 – 0

REPORTS AND REMITTANCES FROM TOWN COMMITTEES:

HIGHWAY: Rain issues, Hauling gravel, Patching holes, Addressed issues of driveways and Road access issues, On all new roads deeded to town we have 60ft access w/only 3 roads at this time with that clearance, Most roads are Usage access only, Budget issues, Chips \$141,000 – Possible projects Entrance to

Babcock Lake, Mill Road, Looking to finish Martin Dunham Rd, Union has been decertified. Discussed what Herb thought fair pay rates were HMO (Heavy Machine operator) w/ experience 18.50, HMO w/limited experience 18.00 & LMO (Light Machine Operator) 17.00 per hour with 50 cent raise after 1 year for all 3 classes. Councilman Buckley discussed forming Committee with Highway crew, board members & residents to address highway issues (suggested members Steve Beaudry, Jerod Bouchard, Mick Butler, Herb Hasbrouck, Frank Lewendusky, Frank Higgins & Jeff Wagar), Updates to Employee handbook to include Cell Phone & Smoking Policy.

Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session: at the request of Herb Hasbrouck

Motion Made By: Supervisor Gundrum @ 7:20PM to discuss personnel matter seconded by Councilman Buckley **Motion carried:** 5 – 0

Returned from Executive Session: @ 7:36PM

BUILDINGS/CODE ENFORCEMENT: 18 building permits year-to-date working on cleaning up 4 sites

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE: Waiting on drier weather to catch up on grounds and to work on some projects such as pressure washing, painting & planting new flowers

RESCUE SQUAD: 16 calls, 202 miles, 73 volunteer man-hours, Discussion of possibly paying to staff ambulance during the week and sharing this and other services w/Petersburgh starting in July (Cost \$51,200) split w/Petersburgh \$25,600)

ASSESSOR REPORT: Attached

TOWN CLERKS REPORT: Available upon request

YOUTH REPORT: None

DOG CONTROL OFFICER REPORT: 3 calls – 2 assists w/ State Police, 1 - dogs running loose (licensed & up to date on shots) returned to owners

SENIOR CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE: Attached

SUPERVISOR: Available upon request

STATE PARK: Attached

LIBRARY: 821 materials signed out, 74 people attended various programs, after school programs are well attended, looking to hire 2 people, Phase 1 of Remodel \$66,000 cost to Library only \$5,000 the rest was covered by grants, Phase 2 or remodel \$55,000 will include siding

VETERNS: Timer on lights in park needs to be re-set, Getting Banners put up and new ones ordered and Flag replacement

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED: Verbal request to get basketball court fixed/cleaned up, Thank You Letter from Claus family, & anonymous letter about roads (was not read because of lack of signature)

OLD BUSINESS: Employee Handbook (discussed during Highway Report), Windstorm damage – roof damage will be done in house, Participation in 4th of July Parade and Schaghticoke Fair Parade

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Driveway Law (only applies to new construction) Highway issues (question about pt employee working 40 hrs, waiver?) Expenditures of Merry Makers accountability, are multiple quotes obtained for buses, Sr Center Parking issues, Getting Grafton residents priority with Merry Maker activities, change to Merry Makers By-Laws? Any grants available to have an engineer to a 5/10 yr program on road improvements, where did \$17,000 come from to pay attorneys

NEW BUSINESS: None

MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION # 41 OF 2019: Affirming Town of Grafton Sponsorship for Grafton Town Festival - Attached

MOTIONS TO PAY BILLS AS AUDITED:

VOUCHERS: 260 & 262-339 TOTALING: \$116,350.33*

MOTION MADE BY: Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilwoman Dooley

MOTION CARRIED: 5 – 0

MOTION TO ADJURN: @ 8:35 In honor of James Goyer Sr. for 50 years of service to the Town of Grafton

MOTION MADE BY: Supervisor Gundrum, seconded by Councilman Buckley

MOTION CARRIED: 5 – 0

* indicates correction to voucher #'s approved for payment, voucher 261 was paid in April

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

VICTORIA BURDICK

GRAFTON TOWN CLERK