Town of Greenville Board of Selectmen Minutes – October 11, 2017

Call to order at 3:30 p.m. Present: Selectman Douglas Reardon, Selectman Scott Tenney, and Town Administrator Tara Sousa. In the absence of the Chair, Selectmen Reardon served as the Chair pro-tem.

Status of 20/21 Granite Ave

The Town Administrator reported that Scott Tenney (Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer) had received a call from the realtor for the foreclosed properties the day after the last Selectmen's meeting to report that "90%" of the debris had been removed. Based on that assertion, The Town Administrator and Code Enforcement Officer felt it would be unadvisable to file the daily fine with the District Court. The Town Administrator reported that she had driven by the mobile homes to confirm the state of the property, but having not seen their prior condition, requested that Scott Tenney also inspect the grounds at these addresses. Scott Tenney will do so and provide an update at the next meeting.

Status of 4 Happy Hollow

The status of 4 Happy Hollow Road was discussed. Scott Tenney will re-inspect the property. The Town Administrator stated that a letter needs to be written to the owners if no progress is being made.

Community Profile Funding

The Selectmen reviewed a submission by Kristie Zina, Co-chair of the Community Profile Steering Committee, which detailed the fundraising efforts of the committee, the pre-event costs already incurred, and the anticipated costs for the Profile weekend (largely food and paper goods). The committee anticipates a shortfall of approximately \$330. Selectman Reardon asked if these are actual costs, or if the amount needed could be greater. He expressed that the committee members had worked hard and he would not want them to have to personally fund a shortfall. Motion by Selectman Reardon, 2nd by Selectman Tenney, for the Town to fund up to \$400 of the remaining Profile costs from the Economic Development line item. Motion carried with 2 in favor, none opposed.

Parking on Temple Street

The Town Administrator reported that the blocking of the sidewalk on Temple Street continued to be an issue, despite brief periods of resolution when the vehicle owners were contacted by the Police. Deb Spratt, who has reported her concerns, has been informed of the next Police Joint Board meeting, as she has expressed her dissatisfaction with the enforcement of the parking ordinance. Selectman Reardon expressed that the joint Board is the appropriate venue to address these concerns, as the Chief reports to the Joint Board, not the individual towns' governing bodies.

Impending Tax Deeds

The Selectmen reviewed the list of properties eligible for tax deeding. The Town Administrator reported that the Tax Collector is attempting contact with several property owners to resolve small amounts. The Town Administrator reminded the Selectmen that one property is in the midst of being probated due to

the owner's death. The Selectmen did not wish to finalize a decision regarding tax deeding of properties without the full Board present. The matter was tabled to the next meeting.

New Business:

Review Budgets: Building Inspector, Welfare

Selectman Tenney, in his capacity as Building Inspector, presented his 2018 budget. The only change from the prior year is a reduction in supplies, as books were purchased this year which will not need to be re-purchased in the coming year. The Town Administrator presented the 2018 Welfare budget, which proposes an overall reduction of \$1600. While a few of the smaller line items are or will be over budget, the largest, which is Welfare Rent, is trending well below budget and prior year expenditures. There were no objections to either budget presented.

Trick-or-Treat Timing

The Town Administrator reported that Chief McTague deferred the decision on Trick-or-Treat timing to the Selectmen. Temple's is scheduled from 5 to 8 p.m., but the Chief knows residents of Greenville have asked for the time to be shortened in the past. The Selectmen discussed the matter and decided to set the time for Trick-or-Treat from 6 to 8 p.m.

I & I Repair Quote

The Selectmen reviewed a quote from Accura Construction for the excavation repair identified in this year's camera inspection of the sewer system. The Town Administrator reported that, though R.H. White had come to look at the project, Dave Brennan had been unsuccessful in obtaining a quote from them. She noted that due to its location on Route 45, the DOT will limit how late in the year this project can be completed.

Motion by Selectman Reardon, 2nd by Selectman Tenney, to accept the sewer line repair quote from Accura Construction for \$11,781.00.

Motion carried with 2 in favor, none opposed.

Fire Chief Appointment

The Selectmen reviewed the re-appointment for Charles Buttrick as Fire Chief. In discussing the length of the appointment, the Town Administrator answered that the prior appointment was for 2 years. The Selectmen signed the appointment, agreeing to a term through September of 2019.

Water and Sewer Abatements

The Selectmen reviewed an abatement request by William Torres, of 18 Granite Ave, which sought reduction of 2016 and 2017 minimum billings. The Selectmen expressed the need for each user to pay the minimum charge, in order for the systems to continue to provide services.

Motion by Selectman Reardon, 2nd by selectman Tenney, to deny the water and sewer abatement request filed by William Torres.

Motion carried with 2 in favor, none opposed.

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The Selectmen:

Reviewed, discussed, and approved the September 27, 2017 minutes.

Reviewed, discussed, and approved check manifests for accounts payable and payroll. Reviewed, discussed, and approved the MS-535.

Motion by Selectman Reardon, 2nd by Selectman Tenney, to adjourn the meeting at 4:08 p.m. Motion carried with 2 in favor, none opposed.

Submitted by: Tara Sousa/Town Administrator

Approved by:

Carla C. Mary/Chairperson

Douglas A. **F**eardon/Selectman

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