Town of Greenville Board of Selectmen Minutes – February 27, 2019

Call to order in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 46 Main Street, Greenville at 6:00 p.m. Present: Chairperson Carla Mary, Selectmen Douglas Reardon and Margaret Bickford, Town Administrator Tara Sousa, and Administrative Assistant Kelly Fitzwater.

Old Business:

Deed List

The Town Administrator reported that the Town Attorney answered that tax deeding should be considered done when the Tax Collector prints the deeds. The owner of one of the properties the Selectmen had accepted deeding of came in to the Tax Collector's office the day after the last Selectmen's meeting, and per Attorney Bedard's advice, the Tax Collector accepted the payment. The Tax Collector printed 3 deeds and sent them and the documentation to Attorney Bedard for review. When he confirms everything is in order, the deeds will be recorded.

Utility Partners Reconciliation

The Selectmen reviewed a revised budget reconciliation From Utility Partners, which reduced the balance owed by the amount of the two disputed invoices for Sheldon Farms. They reviewed Rob Lauricella's response indicating that he believed the invoices were accurately included in the maintenance line, not sludge hauling, but agreed the work should have been quoted in advance and authorized by the Selectmen. Chairperson Mary still felt that the expenses were related to sludge hauling. Selectman Reardon discussed wanting assurance that future expenditures will be authorized through the proper channels. The Selectmen agree to wait to discuss the matter with Mr. Lauricella, who was scheduled to attend the next meeting.

Lagoon Dredging Quotes

The Town Administrator provided an aerial view of the proposed site for the lagoon material to be stockpiled, and explained the topography and erosion control measures planned. She explained that the large differential between the high and the low bid appeared to be due to the high bid incorrectly indicating that the material would be moved twice by the contractor (before and after dewatering). Motion by Selectman Reardon, 2nd by Chairperson Mary, to Accura's quote of \$35,729 for dredging of the water plant lagoons.

Motion carried with 3 in favor, none opposed.

Building Inspector Conference Submission

The Town Administrator notified the Board that the Building Inspector did not intend to file a PO for the conference previously submitted, as his full-time employer would be paying the registration and hotel. She indicated she would confirm his understanding of the conference attendance policy as it would relate to submission of hours worked for conference attendance.

New Business: Paving Information

Thee Selectmen reviewed information from the Road Agent estimating the cost of rebuilding and paving the four remaining roads to be resurfaced in town. These roads will also require drainage work. Due to the substantial cost, the Town Administrator relayed that the Road Agent planned to limit this year's paving to repairing shoulders on Adams Hill, Nutting Hill, and Greenville Road, then encumber the remaining paving budget and use 2 years of Highway Block grant to fund one of these substantial projects in the following year. The Road Agent requested the Selectmen drive the indicated roads this Spring to give their opinion on the priority of repairs. The Selectmen requested that the Road Agent also provide his opinion of the prioritization of the road repairs from 1 to 4. Michalene Kosinski noted issues with the drainage into the grate at the corner of Dunster Ave and Nutting Lane, where water was not able to drain as intended. Keith Turmel also expressed concern that the grate had large holes which presented a danger to small children. The Selectmen asked the Town Administrator to relay those issues to the Road Agent.

Fireworks Quotes

The Selectmen reviewed quotes received for the 3rd of July fireworks. The Town Administrator explained the differences in the products offered by JPI Pyrotechnics versus Central Maine Pyrotechnics. JPI crafted there quote based upon the prior year's budget (\$5,800) and recommending less cakes and more shells, including the largest shells suitable for the site. Central Maine Pyrotechnics quote was \$5,000, and was based on the product list used by our former vendor. The cakes are multi-shots, which are smaller and lower in the sky. The Town Administrator expressed that she felt good about her communications with the JPI representative, who sent someone to measure the site. Selectmen Reardon preferred using a New Hampshire company. Chairperson Mary noted that we could try the larger shell/less shots display this year, and return to the reverse in the future is preferred.

Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2nd by Selectman Reardon, to accept JPI's quote of \$5,800 for the 3rd of July Fireworks.

Motion carried with3 in favor, none opposed.

Keno FYI

The Town Administrator discussed proposed changes in the legislature regarding Keno. One bill which does not appear to moving forward had sought to reduce the percentage retained by retailers. Another bill is seeking to change the use of Keno proceeds to fund School Building Aid rather than full-day kindergarten. She noted the message to voters should be that the State can and may change laws related to Keno.

Avitar Abatement Responses: Manning, Desautels

The Selectmen reviewed the applications and Avitar's recommendations for abatements filed for 47 River St. (Manning) and 2 Titan Lane (Desautels). Selectwoman Bickford asked if any abatements had been recommended for approval. The Town Administrator responded that none of the recent abatements for which responses have been received have been recommended for approval, but that we have several abatements yet to be answered. The Town Administrator discussed that both properties had recently been sold, with the sales price paid in an appreciating market being a major factor in the value determination. She noted that the 2 Titan Lane application, along with others received for Greenville Estates properties, dispute the features value attributed to the Greenville Estates site.

Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2nd by Selectmen Reardon, to accept Avitar's recommendation and deny the abatement request for 47 River Street (Manning, Map 5, Lot 29).

Motion carried with 3 in favor, none opposed.

Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2nd by Selectwoman Bickford, to accept Avitar's recommendation to deny the abatement request for 2 Titan Lane (Desautels, Map 1 Lot 70-2).

Motion carried with 3 in favor, none opposed.

Public Comment

Keith Turmel commented on the negative social implications of Keno as convenient gambling option. He also felt the State requirement that establishments must hold a liquor license to get a Keno license was discriminatory.

Miscellaneous

The Town Administrator reported that there was no requirement to keep the Town Meeting polls open for an hour for the ballot vote on Keno. Chairperson Mary wanted the Town Administrator to check if the Moderator would like to move that article earlier in the meeting.

The Town Administrator informed the Board that former Treasurer Linda Huszar had expressed her intent to run a write-in campaign for the Treasurer's position for which no one had filed to run.

Selectwoman Bickford discussed her desire to see an official Parks & Recreation committee sanctioned. The Selectmen discussed the interest that had been expressed during the community profile, and the different focuses (facilities, children's programs, adult programs, etc.) of the interested parties. Resident's interest in a holiday committee was also discussed. Selectman Reardon expressed his support for expenditure related to children's programs. Chairperson Mary expressed her willingness to have a committee, so long as the pool operation continued to fall under the Pool Manager and Town Administrator. She felt that it was late to begin developing additional programs for this year. The Selectmen agree to have the Town Administrator contact the profile participants to determine their interest in moving a committee forward.

Chairperson Mary asked the Town Administrator to discuss daytime election coverage (Pro-tem Selectmen) with the Moderator.

Public Hearing on the Keno Warrant Article

Chairperson Mary opened the public hearing for the proposed Keno warrant article at 7:00 p.m. She directed those in attendance to the available hand-out from the New Hampshire Municipal Association. Bernard Leblanc spoke about how the revenue from Keno is shared statewide, not returned to the town in which it was earned, and that many towns have voted against allowing Keno. He discussed that only 1% is returned to a State fund to address the social problems associated with gambling. He discussed his travels seeing elements that can go along with gambling, such as pawn shops and payday loan establishments, feeling that gambling is bad for the economy.

Michalene Kozinski asked why all of Avitar's assessing data is not available online. Chairperson Mary answered that the data is only available online during the revaluation process. The Town Administrator

explained that full online access is available for an additional fee, but the Town has not opted to include that in our contract. The Selectmen asked the Town Administrator to contact Avitar for a price quote.

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The Selectmen:

- Reviewed, discussed, and approved the minutes of the February 13, 2019 meeting.
- Reviewed, discussed, and approved check manifests for accounts payable and payroll.
- Reviewed, discussed, and approved 2 Veteran's Credits: Thibodeau, O'Reilly.
- Reviewed, discussed, and approved a Trust Fund Request.
- Reviewed, discussed, and approved a Purchase Order: Fire Beltronics.

Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2nd by Selectman Reardon, to adjourn at 7:09 p.m. Motion carried with 3 in favor, none opposed.

Submitted by: Tara Sousa/Town Administrator

Approved by:

Carla C. Mary/Chairperson

Douglas A. Readdon/Selectman

Margaret Bickford/Selectwoman