Town of Greenville Board of Selectmen

Minutes – June 14, 2023

Call to order at 3:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 46 Main Street, Greenville. Present: Chairperson Carla Mary, Selectmen Douglas Reardon and Margaret Bickford, and Town Administrator Tara Sousa.

Meet with Charles Brault Re: Library Trustees Request Bike Rack at Town Hall

The Selectmen met with Library Director Charles Brault to discuss a request by the Library Trustees to place a bike rack at the Town Hall/Library. Due to the limited available space, Mr. Brault showed an example of the 4-bike unit, at a cost under \$400, which the library would purchase. Selectman Reardon went out to view the proposed area with Mr. Brault. The Selectmen gave permission for placement of a bike rack on the Town Hall lawn.

Old Business

Map 3 Lot 1-1 and 1-3 Ownership Correction

The Selectmen reviewed Atty. Bedard's response to the research and historic property transfer data compiled by Ed Rogers, PE, for the survey of property acquired by MJC Realty Trust, involving Map 3, Lot 1, Map 3, Lot 1-3, and other adjacent parcels. The Town Administrator explained that the area at the end of DPW Drive was incorrectly reflected as town property on the Town's assessing maps, as verified by plans of land transferred to the Town by Taft for the wastewater treatment planning in the 1970s. She relayed that Mr. Rogers had met with the Planning Board, which deferred to the Selectboard, feeling that this was an assessing matter.

Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2nd by Selectwoman Bickford, to allow the Town's assessor to number historic lots X and Y as depicted on the preliminary survey of MJC Realty Trust property (formerly Taft), by Edward Rogers, PE.

Motion carried with 3 in favor, none opposed.

Water/Sewer Mowing

The Selectmen reviewed a quote for adding mowing of the wastewater pump stations to the Town's mowing contract with Just the Basics Property Care, at a cost of \$60 weekly or \$75 bi-weekly. The Town Administrator discussed that the highway department was assisting Whitewater by maintaining the DPW/Wastewater area. Chairperson Mary expressed her support, feeling that it was a small amount to ensure they are properly maintained.

New Business

Mascenic SAU Space Available for Rent

The Town Administrator reported that she had been contacted by Dr. Martin, the Mascenic Superintendent, regarding the lower level of the SAU, which would no longer be occupied by Headstart. She noted that the rental contract with Headstart had been in the \$800/month range, which was meant to cover the cost of heating, electric, maintenance, etc. Dr. Martin had shared that the New Ipswich Rec Department was also interested in having indoor space. The Selectmen discussed potential uses for the

space, including meetings, community programs, emergency shelter, etc., and the benefit of having more control over the space for important functions like voting. Chairperson Mary expressed concerns about the cost versus benefit, and how much the town would actually use the space. Selectwoman Bickford was supportive of the Town leasing the space. The Town Administrator discussed that any long-term lease of the space would need to be approved by voters as part of next year's budget, and would give residents the opportunity to weigh in on whether they want to fund such a space. There was general agreement that the Board was interested in exploring the options and discussing the matter further with the SAU.

Meet with Tax Collector Re: Tax Deeding Status

The Selectmen met with Tax Collector Kathy Valliere regarding the tax deeding process. Mrs. Valliere discussed that she had done noticing for the 2015 and 2016 tax lien years, and reviewed the at-risk properties. She reported the deadline for payment is July 5th. Selectwoman Bickford questioned why the Tax Collector had only pursued the oldest 2 years. Mrs. Valliere explained that the volume of notices, including the required notice to mortgage-holders, would be easier to manage, and once these were paid or deeded, it would reduce the number of notices for more recent years. The Selectmen requested that Mrs. Valliere bring copies for everyone in her future meetings with the Board.

Letter to Water Commissioners Re: 5 Pleasant Street Shut-off

The Selectmen reviewed a letter from Marshall Buttrick regarding the water shut-off in front of the Greenville Community Christian Church parish house, which is above grade and has a loose cap. The Town Administrator reported that she had forwarded the letter to Water Department Manager Dan Wojcik, and he had added the repair to a priority list of issues identified during flushing.

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The Selectmen:

- Reviewed, discussed, and approved minutes of the May 10, 2023 and May 24, 2023 meetings.
- Reviewed, discussed, and approved check manifests for accounts payable and payroll.
- Reviewed, discussed, and approved Pool Pay Sheets.
- Reviewed, discussed, and approved Donation Acceptance: Johno's Greenville Market.
- Reviewed, discussed, and approved Water/Sewer Service Applications: 75 Temple Rd.

Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2nd by Selectman Reardon, to adjourn at 4:10 p.m. Motion carried with 3 in favor, none opposed.

Submitted by: Tara Sousa/Town Administrator
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Carla C. Mary/Chairperspn
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Douglas A. Reardon/Selectman

Margaret Bickford/Selectwoman