

**Town of Greenville  
Board of Selectmen**

**Minutes – May 10, 2023**

Call to order at 3:31 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 46 Main Street, Greenville. Present: Chairperson Carla Mary, Selectwomen Margaret Bickford, and Town Administrator Tara Sousa.

**Old Business**

**24/28 Main Street Update**

The Town Administrator updated the Board on the status of the acquisition of 24 & 28 Main Street, including the approval of the Phase 2 environmental study funding by the SWRPC Brownfields Advisory Committee in the amount of \$36,700, and the extension of the Purchase and Sales Agreement. She noted that, because the sale has not been finalized and the lots remain taxable, and under the lease agreement with the sellers, the Town would be paying the taxes under the economic development line-item.

**New Business**

**Meet with Tax Collector Re: Map 2 Lot 2 Sub 3-5 & Tax Deeding**

Tax Collector Kathleen Valliere met with the Selectmen regarding a misunderstanding with property owner Ron Ilomaki, Map 2 Lot 2 Sub 3-5, when accepting his payment for back taxes associated with a former owner. She explained that she had understood that interest was going to be waived, and indicated on the presented receipt that the account was paid in full, but later learned from the Town Administrator that no such agreement to waive interest had been considered or approved by the Selectmen.

**Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectwoman Bickford, to abate \$1,365.11 of property tax from Map 2 Lot 2 Sub 3-5, representing interest accrued on liens.**

**Motion carried with 2 in favor, none opposed.**

The Tax Collector discussed her intentions to notice owners with liens from 2015, 2016, 2017, of impending tax-deeding, and presented the lists of affected properties. Selectwoman Bickford questioned the Tax Collector why she was not noticing all property owners with 3 or more years of liens. Mrs. Valliere discussed concerns about the volume of mortgage searches, and noted that if the proposed properties were deeded, they would come off the deed lists for more recent years. She requested abatement of a small disputed amount assessed to George Birner.

**Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectwoman Bickford, to abate \$60.14 of property tax (2015 Lien) from Map 8 Lot 10.**

**Motion carried with 2 in favor, none opposed.**

Chairperson Mary requested that the Tax Collector meet with the Board at every first regular monthly meeting to report on the progress of the tax-deeding process.

**Whitewater Operating Report for March 2023**

The Selectmen reviewed Whitewater's March 2023 Operating Report. The Town Administrator reported back about outstanding items from the previous meeting, including the status of the check valve repair

at the intermediate pump station, and the adjustment of the low-level setpoint, which was temporarily resolving the loss of prime issues. She noted that Dan Wojcik would be attending the next meeting.

#### **Sewer Abatement**

The Selectmen reviewed a sewer abatement request for David Martin, Map 6, Lot 55. The Town Administrator relayed that Deputy Chief Buttrick confirmed the Fire Department assisted with pumping the basement at the affected address, and estimated the volume to be 2,000 gallons.

**Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectwoman Bickford, to abate Map 6 Lot 55 \$40 on the 1<sup>st</sup> issue of 2023 Sewer.**

**Motion carried with 2 in favor, none opposed.**

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##### **The Selectmen:**

- Reviewed, discussed, and approved minutes of the April 5, 2023, April 19, 2023, and April 26, 2023 meetings.
- Reviewed, discussed, and approved check manifests for accounts payable and payroll.
- Reviewed, discussed, and approved Purchase order: Highway.

**Motion by Chairperson Mary, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectwoman Bickford, to adjourn at 4:11 p.m.**

**Motion carried with 2 in favor, none opposed.**


Submitted by: Tara Sousa/Town Administrator

Approved by:



Carla C. Mary/Chairperson

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Douglas A. Reardon/Selectman



Margaret Bickford/Selectwoman