Town of Grafton Board of Selectmen Tuesday, March 1, 2022

Members Present: Cindy Kudlik, Chairman, Jennie Joyce, Tom McGinty, Sue Smith (recorder)

Others Present: Gary Whitney, Leif Hogue, Paul Vogt, Ed Grinley

The meeting was called to order at 6pm.

Acceptance of Minutes:

Tom motioned to approve the minutes of February 15, 2022 and the public and non-public minutes of February 24, 2022. Jennie seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Ex-Officio Reports/Selectmen Announcements:

Tom reported the following from the Fire Department – At this time, there are no functional air packs for the firefighters. The air packs are all out of date and cannot be filled. The Fire Department will be receiving a donation of 4 air packs that will be good to use for one year.

Cindy announced that this will be the last meeting that Jennie will be attending as a selectman. Cindy thanked Jennie for all she has taught her and for the many years of service to the Town.

The Selectmen discussed coverage for election day and Cindy stated that she asked Scott Smith to be a selectman pro-tem during a portion of that day.

Public Comment: None

Appointments:

Public Hearing

Cindy opened the public hearing to discuss the agreement for use of the Recreation Cook Shack fees at 6:15pm. Cindy informed the public that the fees for use of the cook shack are as follows: \$50 refundable cleaning fee, \$100 non-refundable fee for non-residents.

Gary Whitney asked for clarification on the cleaning deposit with regards to resident/non-resident. Cindy stated that the cleaning deposit is the same amount for both the residents and non-residents. Cindy asked Ed Grinley, representative from the recreation committee, on how the committee came up with the \$100 for the non-residents. Jennie commented that should there be a large gathering, the monies would go towards the cleaning of the portable toilets. Ed agreed with Jennie's response. Ed also stated that the \$100 will help relieve taxpayer burden.

Cindy closed the public hearing at 6:18pm.

Tom motioned to adopt the agreement for use of the Recreation Cook Shack as presented. Jennie second. Cindy agreed. Motion passed.

New Business:

Investment Policy – Cindy gave a brief overview of the investment policy and stated that the auditors have been asking that the Town adopt one for the investment of public funds. This policy applies to all funds received and in custody of the Town Treasurer. After a brief discussion, Cindy motioned to adopt the Investment Policy. Tom second. Jennie agreed. Motion passed.

Other Business/Correspondence:

Abatement Applications – Talbot (Map 12 Lot 653-1) – Tom motioned to accept the recommendation from the assessor and to deny the abatement. Jennie second. Cindy agreed. Motion passed. Merchant (Map14 Lot 315-4B) – Jennie motioned to accept the recommendation from the assessor and to deny the abatement. Tom second. Cindy agreed. Motion passed.

Current Use Application – Lozeau (Map 16 Lot 88) – The selectmen approved the application per the assessor's review.

The selectmen reviewed and discussed the following correspondence:

- Letter from Dept of State re: a response from a letter from the Town Clerk dated 2/11/2022.
- Email from NHDES re: 2022 Beach Program. NHDES will be conducting the beach testing during the summer.

The selectmen reviewed and discussed the attorney's recommended changes to the Proposed Composting Toilet Ordinance. Tom motioned to adopt the Composting Toilet Ordinance as amended. Jennie second. Cindy agreed. Motion passed.

Public Comment: None

Final Comments from Selectmen:

Election Day is Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 8am to 7pm at the Fire Station.

Cindy motioned to adjourn. Jennie second. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:39pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Smith, Administrative Assistant