

**Town of Grafton
Board of Selectmen
Tuesday, June 20, 2023**

Members Present: Leif Hogue, Chair, Jennie Joyce, Russell Poitras, Sara Hogue (Recorder)

Others Present: Clint Williams, Paul Vogt, David Hunter, Maureen O'Reilly

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

Acceptance of Minutes

Leif motioned to accept the June 6, 2023, public and non-public minutes. Russell seconded. Jennie agreed. Motion passed.

Ex-Officio Reports

Russell reported the following from the Highway and Transfer Station-

- The backhoe is down. He has heard great reports about new grader operator. The new truck is being built.
- The transfer station roll-off truck is down.

Leif reported the following from the Ambulance Department and Library -

- The ambulance meeting was short.
- The library talked about book sale and programs.

New Business

Intent to Excavate - Green Oak Realty - Map 12 Lot 938, Map 17 Lot 852 - Russell motioned to approve. Jennie seconded. Leif agreed. Motion passed.

Building Notification - D. Hunter - Map 17 Lot 632 - after some discussion with David, Russell states unable to sign until a state-approved system plan is received. Once received, the Selectboard can sign.

Intent to Cut - Supplemental - Williams - Map 11 Lot 281&282 - signed

Other Business

Staples Credit Card - Credit Card ending July 31. The bank cards will be received in a few weeks, and can be used moving forward to make purchases. Sara will also look into other vendors for office supplies.

Town Common Tree - Clint presented the board with a plan that he drafted. Clint is a certified arborist who works for Fox Tree and confirmed that the tree is diseased and in decline. He would like to put the new tree, a Norway Spruce, in its place. However, he does not want to put it where the stake is. He wants to put it near where the existing tree is. Russell talked about a future gazebo at the end so advises to keep an end open. The cost for the tree removal is \$2500, but they have \$2000 raised in donations so they would only need \$500 from the town. The maples are also declining, and he would like to replace those next year. Clint has four maples already donated to replace them. Maureen viewed the plans as well to discuss the position of the gazebo and she agreed with it. Russell motioned to use the vet park CRF to spend \$500 to fulfill Clint's estimate to remove the old tree and plant the new tree working with future thoughts of a Gazebo. Jennie seconded. Leif Agreed. Motion passed. Clint will start work on Thursday.

Building Notification Extension Request – Pittman (M15C L36) - Leif motioned to approve. Russell seconded. Motion passed.

Correspondence

Unlicensed Dog List - Jennie motioned to table it until the next meeting. Leif seconded. Motion passed.

LBS Email - an invitation to LBS celebration of the student receiving the scholarship.

D.Slack Letter - complaint of Highway department regarding debris left on property from culvert replacement. The debris has been cleaned up.

Public Comment

Maureen wanted to know when the Safety Committee meeting is. The meeting is July 10 at 830am. She also enquired about the roads. They are getting better. The Highway Department hired grader operator and someone for mowing. There is a potential applicant for Full Time CDL.

Leif motioned to adjourn. Russell seconded. Jennie agreed. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm