

**Town of Grafton  
Board of Selectmen  
Tuesday, March 17, 2020**

**Members Present:** Steve Darrow, Jennie Joyce, Cindy Kudlik, Sue Smith (recorder)

**Others Present:** Bob Bassett

The meeting was called to order at 9am.

**Oaths of Office:**

Bob Bassett was re-appointed as Recycle Center Manager and took the oath of office.

**Selection of Chair and Ex-Officio's for the Board of Selectmen:**

Jennie motioned for Steve to be chairman of the board. Cindy second. Motion passed.

The selectmen decided the following ex-officio assignments:

- Budget Committee – Jennie Joyce
- Planning Board and Library Trustees – Steve Darrow
- Grafton Volunteer Ambulance and Cemetery Trustees – Cindy Kudlik

**RSA 31:105 – Indemnification of Damages:**

Jennie motioned to adopt RSA 31:105 Indemnification of Damages. Cindy second. Steve agreed. Motion passed.

**Acceptance of Minutes:**

Jennie motioned to accept the public and non-public minutes of March 3, 2020. Steve second. Cindy abstained. Motion passed.

**Selectmen Announcements:**

Steve welcomed Cindy to the Board and thanked Leon for his 6 years of service.

Cindy stated that she attended the Census Presentation that took place on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at the Town Hall. She informed the Board that the Census is now available to do on-line. She also stated that the Census is looking for people to work and they are offering \$20 per hour.

**Ex-Officio Reports:** None

**Public Comment:** None

**Appointments:**

Bob Bassett met with the selectmen to discuss the following:

- Recycling Rules – Bob found out that anyone who hauls garbage and makes a profit, the hauler must have a license through NHDES. Bob contacted NHDES to confirm what he had been told. He presented the selectmen a printout from the NHDES website with information regarding haulers. After a brief discussion, the selectmen made the decision to send letters to those who haul to inform them that they will have to be licensed via NHDES. The printout from NHDES will be included in the letter.
- Loitering in the Recycle Center Office – Bob stated that there is an ongoing problem of a few people constantly sitting and visiting in the recycle center office. There are a couple of signs, “employees only” and “authorized personnel only”, that are visible to the public but are being ignored. The selectmen directed Bob to have the employees inform those who are not doing any type of transaction that they are not to stay in the office.
- Private Organizations doing clean-outs – Bob informed the selectmen that there are a few private organizations that are planning on cleaning out properties this year. Bob stated that he would like the private organizations to rent dumpsters for these clean-outs and have them hauled at their own expense just as private contractors have been asked to do. After a brief discussion, the selectmen agreed with Bob’s request and will send letters to all private organizations informing them of this decision.
- Roll-off Truck – Bob informed the selectmen that after a year of driving the new roll-off truck, everything seems to be working well. Bob inquired if he could sell the Auto-car (old roll-off truck) and have the monies from the sale be put back into the recycle revolving account. After a brief discussion, the selectmen will find out if the monies can be put back into the recycle revolving account before a decision is made about selling the Auto-car.
- Bob is meeting with Allstate Asphalt to get a quote to reclaim Hardy Hill Rd and a portion of Prescott Hill Rd (in front of the recreation field). The plan for Hardy Hill Road: reclaim, replace a couple of culverts and gravel before the end of the year. The road will set during the winter and 2021 Hardy Hill Rd will be paved. The plan for Prescott Hill Rd: reclaim the small section, build up the road to cure the flooding problem, gravel and then pave; same schedule as Hardy Hill Rd.

**New Business:**

2020 MS-232 Report of Appropriations Actually Voted – The selectmen reviewed and signed the 2020 MS-232.

Newsletter – The selectmen reviewed and discussed the newsletter. When the newsletter was originally proposed, it was to be reviewed by the selectmen prior to being published and distributed. This practice has not been consistent since the first publication. After a brief discussion, the selectmen made the decision to discontinue the newsletter and to begin posting messages on the town website.

**Other Business/Correspondence:**

Timber Tax Warrant – The selectmen signed timber tax warrants for Andrew (Map 11 Lots 1013 & 1014) and Brundage-Cater Trust (Map 6 Lots 1058 & 1059).

Intent to Excavate – Hiltz (Map 17 Lot 19) - the selectmen signed the intent.

**Public Comment:** None

**Final Comments from the Selectmen:**

The selectmen accepted the resignation of Dotti Ernst, Grafton Ambulance Captain.

Steve commented that the selectmen should start thinking about office space and would like to speak to Ed regarding modular structures.

The Halford property was discussed and Steve will be in contact with Scott Sanborn to see if surveying the property is possible.

Jennie motioned to go into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, II(c) regarding welfare at 10:38am. Cindy second. Motion passed.

Jennie motioned to come out of non-public session and to seal the minutes. Cindy second. Motion passed.

Public session resumed at 10:53am.

Steve announced that a letter will be sent to the Welfare Director.

Jennie motioned to adjourn. Cindy second. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:54am.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Smith, Administrative Assistant