

Town of Greenville

Select Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 6:30pm in Town Hall Meeting Room

Minutes for Meeting of the Select-Board

Board members/Staff Present at meeting:

Selectwoman Bonnie DuBien (Chair) Selectman Newton Pierce Police Chief Jim Carr
 Selectman Geno Murray (Vice Chair) Selectman Richard Peat PW Foreman Ted Willette
 Selectwoman Janet Chasse (Zoom) Town Manager Mike Roy Town Clerk Roxanne Lizotte

Others: 6:30P.M.

Joining by zoom were: Risteen Bahr, DML; Jennie Ward, DML; Tom Watt, Sheila Grant, Grace Beardsley, DML; John Contreni, Chair Planning Board.

1. Pledge of Allegiance. NOTED

2. Opening of the Meeting & Declaration of Conflicts of Interest: The Chairperson will ask the members of the Select Board to review the meeting agenda and declare any potential conflicts of interest which members may have with the items listed. NOTHING BROUGHT FORTH.

3. Minutes: It was motioned by Richard Peat and seconded by Newt Pierce to accept the minutes of the 2/17/21 meeting. Motion carried 4-0-1 with DuBien abstaining as she had not had a chance to review minutes.

4. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda: There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

5. Chief Jim Carr – Police update. Chief Carr provided an update since he last attended a meeting on December 2nd. He stated since they have responded to 286 calls for service which included 911 misdials, traffic calls, theft calls, oui calls, assaults, heroin and gun calls. Chief states seeing an increase in civil calls, property line disputes and snowmobile complaints. He stated new safety vests that have been ordered are in and officers have been fitted. Greenville 2 is out on medical for follow-up from injury he received while on duty. Hopefully he will be back on duty by July 1st, 2021. Chief also reports due to covid it is difficult to find a jail to take folks that are in custody and jails and courts are backing up and are prioritizing cases that will be processed. Jim says they have been offered the Covid vaccination and many of the officers have taken the shot. Chief also reports he has been working on standardized reporting criminal software that will be reported nationwide. Jim says he is also working with a couple of younger people that would like to be reserve officers and states he has another individual that is interested in working with him that is certified. Bonnie asked if he has coverage while Greenville 2 is out? Jim says working on and will be covered. She also asked if the academy is open? Jim states academy is currently not open, they are working on a plan to re-open. The board thanked Chief Carr for coming in and for he and his departments good work. Informational Only.

6. Jenny Ward – Destination Moosehead Lake (DML)- Update: Risteen Bahr, Jenny Ward and Grace Beardsley attended the meeting via zoom and provided an update on the work that the DML is doing. They have been working on Covid 19 messaging, board recruitment and development. Working on a recovery and sustainability for the future with strategic and tactile planning goals. Trying to leverage opportunity to be successful with the strong regional visitation increase of people we are seeing in the Moosehead Area. The activity guide they have put together has sold out and they are also promoting the airport as an economic driver. They are working with a budget of \$108,000.00 on the revenue side and \$106,000.00 on the expense side. They recognize it is tight but are confident they can manage. They also stated they will be looking to the town again this year for support. They

shared a statistic that this area generated 9.4 million in sales tax revenue to the State this year even with Covid concerns. Last year was 10.3 Million. They anticipate revenue will exceed these numbers moving forward. The board thanked the DML for their presentation. Janet thanked them for updating us early and for their work. Geno expressed kudos for their work, and it was nice to see the DML on the right track.

7. Manager's Report: Bids are due back soon for our roadwork. CES in last week to provide informational session for prospective bidders. We need to find a laydown yard, looking at Spruce Street. Also, need to have a haul off dumping area, looking at old stump dump up by the airport. Solar project has been approved waiting for permit. Mike expects to see permit fees to be ~\$40,000.00, Included in this packet is a list of elected official seats that are up this year. Papers are available starting March 5th, 2021 from the town office and are due back to the town office no later than 4P.M. on April 16th, 2021. There are 2 Three (3) year terms for Selectmen/ Assessors. Greenville School Board 2 Three (3) year terms and 1 Two (2) Year terms. Moosehead Sanitary District 3 Three (3) Year Terms. Municipal Elections will be on Tuesday June 15th, 2021 and Town Meeting will be on Monday June 7th, 2021. Mike reports that on May 1st, 2021 the parking lot at the base that has been used for public will go back to the owner Telford Allan at his request. Letter with this notification included in this packet. This will become a private parking area that will be paved and used by patrons of Lakeshore Ventures, Dockside and Birchbark Bakery. Mike shares concerns as a whole for general parking downtown and exploring other options including parking at the Union Church Parking area and behind the Fire Station. Included in our packet was an estimate from Dave's World for heat pumps for the Town Office. This would be utilizing efficiency Maine tax credits. Estimate \$12,475.80 installed and potentially receive a \$7800.00 rebate, leaving a balance of \$4675.80. Mike says he can find money in current budget to install these. Janet suggests we look at fire station as well to install pumps. Geno asks if Mike has any estimated potential savings? Mike to follow-up on fire station and gather a little more information. Mike state we lost a piece of trim off town office building in recent windstorms and loss of power, stated no other damage to town equipment or property, but did have a pipe freeze and burst at library. Mike states he received emails from folks asking if there were grants available to look at putting generators at the elderly housing units in town? Mike to follow-up on requests? During the recent power outage Greenville's Emergency Services performed well and safety checks on folks living in the elderly housing units. Those needing transportation to the warming at the American Legion were transported there. Mike states initiative was a success and people worked well together and were very appreciative of the efforts. Mike included in the board packet copies of leases in place with the GBC building. The leases are with the MLEDC and The Town of Greenville and MLEDC and Glacier ware. Janet asks when leases are up and asks if the building could be used as a daycare? She states original intent of the building was to serve as an incubator to start a business. She asks how long current tenants have been there. Janet stated there is a real need for daycare in the area and feels that the board should go on record to make a priority to help find a space for daycare. Geno agrees it is a real issue but does not feel the GBC is the best space. The rest of the board agrees with the concerns. Mike do work on additional follow-up. Mike says he has a request from the Artesian Village folks to see if the Town will pay for a Port a Potty at current site this Summer. He will follow-up on? Informational Only!

8. Public Comment Period; There were no comments from the public

9. What is on your mind? – Opportunity for Selectpersons to share questions, concerns, ideas or Suggestions. Informational only: Richard asks about airport compliance follow-up? Mike says working on. Bonnie, Janet and Newt all set. Geno asks about any injuries or property damage with recent storm.

10. Other Business; Nothing brought forth

11. Adjourn: There being no other business it was motioned by Richard Peat and seconded by Newt Pierce to adjourn at 7:39P.M.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted By:

Geno Murray

