

GREENWOOD SELECTMEN'S MEETING MINUTES

March 1, 2022

5:00pm

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Topic: Greenwood Board of Selectmen Meeting

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Item 1: Call Meeting to Order - Chair Chapman called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.
Roll Call: Amy Chapman, Arnold Jordan, Norman A. Milliard – (via conference call), Kim Sparks, and Joelle Corey.

Item 2: Pledge of Allegiance

Item 3: Review and approve:

Expenditure Warrant # 34 (\$ 11,778.53) covering period Feb. 16, - Feb. 22, 2022

Expenditure Warrant # 35 (\$ 35,573.86) covering period Feb. 23, - Mar. 1, 2022

The Board reviewed Expenditure Warrant # 34 & # 35.

Selectman Jordan motioned and Chair Chapman seconded to approve Expenditure Warrants # 34 & # 35 as read. Vote: 3-0. Warrants are approved.

Item 4: Review and approve minutes of February 15, 2022

The Board reviewed the minutes of February 15, 2022.

Selectman Jordan motioned and Selectman Milliard seconded to approve the minutes as submitted. Vote: 3-0. Minutes are approved.

Item 5: Comments from the Public - None

A. Selectmen contacted outside of meeting - No contact.

Item 6: Discussion with Codes Enforcement Officer, Joelle Corey

Josh Putnam, 693 Greenwood Road

Richard Smith, 124 Howe Hill Road

Joelle updated the Board on Mr. Putnam and Mr. Smith. She explained that both had been building with no building permits.

She explained that this is the third time for Mr. Putnam and that he hasn't responded to any of her letters. She explained that she has sent them certified and they always are returned as unclaimed. She explained that Mr. Putnam had an issue with the previous Codes Officer and Appeals Board but that was many years ago and she has done all she can to reach out to Mr. Putnam. Joelle explained that there is an outstanding permit needed for a project Mr. Putnam started in 2017 and a recent project of him building a porch on the front of his house – all without permits.

Joelle stated it is the same issue with Mr. Smith and that letters are returned unclaimed. She explained that she met with Mr. Smith at the Greenwood Town Office and handed him the building permit application and he has yet to turn in the application. She explained that he added a lean-to to his house and built a shed without permits.

Selectman Milliard asked how many infractions has Mr. Putnam had now. Joelle stated that this would be Mr. Putnam's third infraction with her. Selectman Milliard asked how many infractions has Mr. Smith had. Joelle stated that Mr. Smith is on number two. Chair Chapman asked if these structures require a permit. Joelle explained that anything being built in Greenwood requires a permit as we have no minimum square footage.

Joelle asked the Board if they were ok with her sending another letter stating that we will be getting the Town Attorney involved. She explained that she is attending tonight's meeting to update the Board that if she contacts the Town Attorney there will be a cost. Selectman Jordan stated that he was ok with that as it was only fair to those who do get their building permits as required. Selectman Milliard stated that it sounded pretty cut and dry to him. Chair Chapman agreed that it was time to move these cases to the next step. The Board agreed that Joelle could contact the Town Attorney regarding these two cases.

Joelle updated the Board that it has been a very busy year for building permits and that she has issued almost 60 permits. She explained that there have been several new homes, that there are several camps that are converting from seasonal to year-round, and a lot of remodeling being done in Town.

Item 7: Discussion on MMA Workplace Safety Program

Kim explained that MMA Risk Management has started a new incentive program to offer incentives back to Towns who are in the program. Kim explained that she would like to sign the Town up but would like the Board to review the paperwork on the program. She explained that the Board would need to sign the resolve by August 1, 2022. The Board agreed to review the paperwork and asked Kim to put the resolve on their next meeting agenda.

Item 8: Discussion on Employee Health Insurance Renewal

Kim gave the Board copies of the Employee Health Insurance renewal packets. She explained to renew our same plan would have an increase of about 8%. She told the Board that she was waiting for a proposal from the MMA Health Trust and expected that in the next few days. Chair Chapman stated that the Board would look these over. Selectman Milliard asked when we would need to have an answer on this. Kim explained that they needed to know by April 1st so we should try to have an answer at the next Selectmen's meeting. Selectman Milliard asked if we were going to increase the employee's portion from 5% to 10%. Selectman Jordan stated that he didn't think that was discussed when we started the 5%. Kim stated that she would go back and review the minutes of that meeting to see what was decided on.

Item 9: Comments from the Public - None

Item 10: Meetings and Events

Tue., Mar. 15th Selectmen's Meeting, 5:00pm GTO

Thur. Mar. 17th – Budget Meeting, 6:00pm GTO

Thur. Mar. 24th – Budget Meeting, 6:00pm GTO

Item 11: Adjourn - Having no further business, Selectman Jordan motioned and Selectman Milliard seconded to adjourn the meeting at 5:15pm. Vote: 3-0. Meeting is adjourned.