

**TOWN OF GLOVER**  
**Selectboard Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday, May 9, 2024 – Glover Public Library**

Present: Phil Young, Dave Simmons, Anne Eldridge, Mike Pray, Road Foreman, Dan Clark, Job Breitmeyer, Glover Volunteer Fire Chief, Phil Brooks, Glover Volunteer Fire Dept Treasurer, Riley Brooks, Nick Ecker-Racz, Patricia Kules, Randy Williams, Planning Commission Chair, Sara Gluckman, Jethro Hayman, Doug Safford, Chris Roy, Newport Daily Express, and Cindy Epinette, Transcriber.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.
2. **Additions or deletions to the agenda:** Executive Session at the end of the meeting.
3. **Minutes: Phil made a motion, seconded by Anne, to approve the minutes dated April 25, 2024 as presented. The motion carried.**
4. **Road Update:**
  - a. The road crew have been grading as weather permits, doing ditch work on Rodgers road, and they plan to work on Buchanan Place and Parker Road next. The little truck is in the shop having some warranty work completed. Mike met with Patrick Hurley from Memphremagog Watershed Association to discuss getting stone from the gravel pit for the municipal building stormwater project.
  - b. There is a utility pole on Rodgers road that should be relocated. Mike has tried to contact Consolidated Communication to discuss this but has not received a response. Dave indicated he could contact them next week if Mike has still not received a response.
  - c. Greensboro Gravel Pit: Dave has contacted Peter Romans to open conversations again to purchase a portion of the Greensboro gravel pit located in Glover.
  - d. Future Farmers of America: Nick proposed working with Lake Region Union students to plant Christmas trees on a portion of the land near the town gravel pit. He proposed that when it's time to sell the trees, the money would go to the Bicentennial Scholarship fund as a revenue source. The Selectboard approved of Nick beginning a conversation with Principal Messier at Lake Region Union.
5. **Equity Committee Update:** The Equity and Trails Committee have been working together on a grant from VT Agency of Natural Resources/VT Department of Forest and Parks to build a sensory trail with wheelchair accessibility at Glover Park. They received notification that their grant proposal was accepted. They have also received funding for two interns from the University of Vermont, in the amount of \$3,060. One of the tasks the interns are going to work on is a Management Plan for Glover Park, based on the agreement with VT Department of Conservation.
6. **Fire Department – Contract:**
  - a. **Sewer:** The Fire Department building has experienced a sewer issue. The sewer line, in the building, was plugged. They had Tardiff Heating & Mechanical scope out the problem and flushed the system. There is a low section in the line. It was suggested they remove the low flow flappers because the amount of pressure needed to clean the line is not adequate.

- b. **Reserve Fund:** They are requesting use of the Fire Department Reserve Fund to pay for maintenance repairs on several fire trucks. They estimated it will cost about \$3,000. The Selectboard approved this request.
  - c. **New Tanker:** They have purchased a new tanker from the town of Waterbury. They will not be able to take possession of the tanker until Waterbury receives their new tanker, possibly in September. They have applied for a grant to purchase this tanker, but have not received a response as of today.
  - d. **Contract:** They reviewed the proposed changes submitted by the Selectboard. They have two concerns: (i) they are requesting there be a time limit on how long they need to submit their books to the auditors. They suggested five years. The Selectboard are not in favor of putting this clause in the agreement while the town is funding more than half of the FD budget. However, this arrangement can be discussed again when the FD receives independent revenue funds; (ii) They are working on getting their 501(c)(3) status reinstated with the IRS. They estimated it may take a year, or more, before the IRS makes a decision to reinstated the 501(c)(3) status. This was discussed and it was agreed that the contract wording should indicate all annual 990 forms need to be submitted to the IRS by the end of the calendar year in order for the IRS to consider reinstatement.
7. **Town Administrator's Update:** none.
8. **Town Treasurer's Update:**
- a. **Wastewater Maintenance/Building/Grounds Maintenance Employment:** Dwain Clevenger has agreed to perform the regular sewer maintenance inspections.
  - b. **Listers:** Phil made a motion, seconded by Anne, to appoint Jason Kennedy as the third lister. The motion carried. Phil made a motion, seconded by Dave, to appoint David Olsen as the Data Management person for the Listers. The motion carried.
  - c. **Wastewater Waiver Request:** Ivan Lanoue submitted a request to waive paying the sewer maintenance fee because there was no home/trailer on the lot at 26 Talbot Lane. The Selectboard agreed to this request with the understanding that once a trailer is installed, they will be liable for the fees.
  - d. **Access Mobility:** Access Mobility submitted a proposed agreement to perform preventative maintenance on the elevator at the town hall. There was a question about whether the maintenance fee has already been paid. Cindy will research and get back to them.
9. **Open public comment period:**
- a. **Glover Day:** Randy indicated that as part of the VTrans permit, there needed to be police presence. Anne will contact the Orleans County Sheriff's Office to see if they will donate their time, if it is part of the town agreement or is it an additional fee that will be charged.
  - b. **Glover Green:** Anne will contact a Real Estate attorney to see what the next steps are for resolving the Glover Green ownership question.
10. **Signing of Director's Orders:** The orders were signed.
11. **Executive Session:** Dave made a motion, seconded by Anne, to go into executive session at 8:05pm to discuss a personnel matter. The motion carried.
12. **Executive Session was concluded at 8:29pm.**

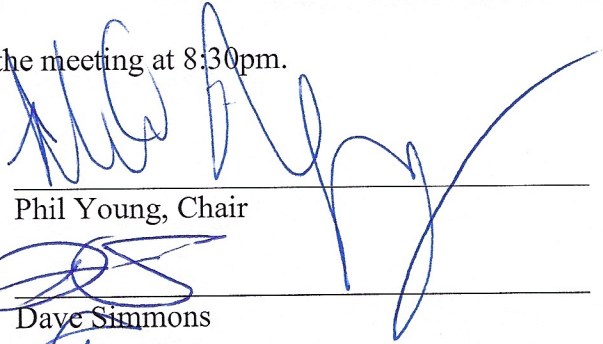
13. **Board Action:** Dave made a motion, seconded by Anne, to appoint Theresa as a full-time Town Administrator. The motion carried. A new Assistant Town Clerk/Treasurer will be needed.

14. **Adjourn:** Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm.

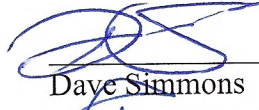
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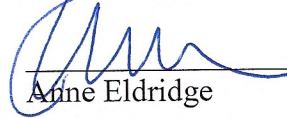
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Phil Young, Chair



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