

Townshend Select Board Special Meeting Minutes August 30, 2016

Present: Kathy Hege, chair; Robert Wright; Kyle LaPointe

In Attendance: John Evans; Craig Hunt

1. Call To Order: Hege called the Special Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Grace Cottage Lease: Hege summarized the meeting attended by her and Hunt on August 26th with Roger Allbee and Stephen Brown at Grace Cottage Hospital. Discussed at that meeting were the terms of renewing the septic field Lease Agreement between the Town and Grace Cottage Hospital and, specifically, changes in those terms by the Select Board on August 23rd.

Following brief discussion, Hege made a motion: **To rescind the motion made by Martin on August 23, 2016, that proposed a 3-year municipal land lease agreement with Grace Cottage Hospital**, seconded by LaPointe and carried by those present.

Hege made a motion: **To renew a 25-year municipal land lease with Grace Cottage Hospital, Inc., recorded November 4, 1991, at Book 13, page 156, of the Townshend General Records, upon revised terms for annual rental payments**, seconded by LaPointe and carried by those present.

Hege made a motion: **To accept the Memorandum of Understanding, dated August 26, 2016, as presented by Grace Cottage Hospital, Inc., as an addendum to the 25-year Land Lease Agreement between the Town of Townshend and Grace Cottage Hospital, Inc.**, seconded by LaPointe and carried by those present.

3. Other Business: John Evans was welcomed and discussed with the Board his concerns for infrastructure improvement and maintenance. In particular, he reminded the Board that more than a year has elapsed since there were discussions about having the shoulder along Route 35, between Grace Cottage Hospital and Valley Cares, made safer for pedestrians. Evans also mentioned that both the Gazebo and the exterior of the Town Hall need work.

4. Adjournment: Wright made a motion: **To adjourn at 6:32 p.m.**, carried by those present.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig K. Hunt