

MARCH 16, 2017

SPECIAL MEETING

PRESENT: Supervisor Matthew Hicks; Town Council Members: Matthew Rathbun, Kenneth Quick and Mary Emery; Town Clerk Jenny Martelle; Town Attorney Mike Catalfimo.

ALSO PRESENT: Ralph Jameson; Gary Robinson, P.E., Scott McCullen, Chief, North Granville Fire Dept.; Sole Assessor Daniel Boone

ABSENT: Councilman Tom Cosey; Highway Superintendent Eric Towne; Local Ordinance Officer Russel Bronson.

Supervisor Matthew Hicks called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Chief Scott McCullen.

AUDIT OF BILLS:

Councilwoman Emery moved and Councilman Quick second to approve payment of the following vouchers:

CR Youth Program Voucher 1 Clarence Ritchie	\$200.00
Voucher 2 American Hardware	\$299.99

Carried: 4-0

OLD BUSINESS: Councilman Quick moved and Councilman Rathbun second to hire The Chazen Company to process the D & H Rail Trail Grant application. Carried 4-0.

Gary Robinson, P. E. representing Ralph Jameson and the Mudboggers, updated the Town Board regarding the improvements to the property on County Route 12 where the Mudboggers events occur and details for the operation of the event. He stated:

Camping and parking entrance will be at the North Gate and no activities will take place at the site.

If permitted leech file is obtained bathroom/shower facilities will be installed. If not porta potties with wash stations will be operational at time of event.

A signed agreement with a property owner about 1 mile down the road for additional parking after lot at North Gate is full. A shuttle will provide transportation to and from this parking lot.

A specific area will be provided to unload and load vehicles at mud pit.

Weather permitting the Spring Event will take place 04/01 weekend or 04/08.

A sweeper will be on site and County Route 12 will be cleaned twice a day.

The event will shut down at 9 pm.

There will be twenty (20) security personnel on the grounds during the days of event and a minimum of five (5) during the night. The security personnel will be trained a few days prior to the event. Security personnel consist of family and friends of Ralph and members of other clubs.

There are ninety eight (98) camp sites and approximately thirty (30) primitive camp sites.

Scott McCullen, Chief, North Granville Fire Department advised the Board, Mr. Jameson and Mr. Robinson that emergencies at prior events were very difficult to respond at the time of emergency. Chief McCullen requested the designation of a fire lane and that all activities stop until the emergency is resolved.

Jen Powell advised Mr. Jameson that to date, the Mudbogger events have not shown any respect for the local community and that respect must be earned by doing the things he is stating he will do during the events. She requested the exact hours the event will take place as the information provided on the internet sites were not the same. Mr. Jameson responded that the gates open at 7 am and close at 5 pm and the operation of the event shuts down at 9 pm.

Councilman Quick moved and Councilwoman Emery second to go into a closed session with Town Attorney Catalfimo for legal advice. Carried: 4-0

Councilman Rathbun moved and Councilwoman Emery second to return to the meeting. Carried: 4-0.

Town Attorney Mike Catalfimo informed Mr. Jameson and Mr. Robinson that the Town Board needs more details, specificities, certainties or assurances as to how the event will take place. Catalfimo told Mr. Robinson that he should have provided binders to the Board with this information. Mr. Catalfimo informed Mr. Jameson that, as the promoter of the event, the costs of law enforcement coverage provided by State or County law enforcement agencies, must be paid by him. Mr. Catalfimo advised Mr. Jameson and Mr. Robinson that by 3:00 pm Monday, March 20, 2017 they must provide full and complete details regarding all facets of the operation of the facility and event that will take place at the Mudbogger Facility. This information must reach the email of the Town Clerk by the 3:00 pm deadline. Mr. Catalfimo stated that the Town Board must be satisfied with the plan prior to approving the issuance of a camping permit.

Councilman Quick moved and Councilman Rathbun second to recess this meeting until March 22, 2017 at 7:00 pm. Carried: 4-0.

Attested To:

Jenny Martelle  
Granville Town Clerk