

*Approved Minutes  
BOS meeting 8.2.2021  
Unanimous Vote*

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, April 20, 2021  
Groveland Town Hall Meeting Room  
183 Main St, Groveland, MA 01834**

TOWN OF GROVELAND  
2021 AUG -4 PM12:13

**Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020, Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020, Order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place. This meeting of the Board of Selectmen will take place without any public present, but we will make every effort to ensure the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time.**

This meeting was broadcast live on Groveland Public Access, Channel 9, as well as through Zoom. To join the Zoom Meeting, visit: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9231328711>

Members of the public are asked to send written comments to [kworden@grovelandma.com](mailto:kworden@grovelandma.com) or submit questions through the Zoom chat window.

**PRESENT:** Chair Michael Wood, Selectmen Kathleen Kastrinelis, Ed Watson, Jason Naves and Bill O'Neil  
Kevin Paicos, Kathryn Worden, Administrative Coordinator and Roy Boyer, Waste Management

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Chair Wood called the meeting order at 5:03 pm. The Board voted by roll call vote to open the virtual meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE VOTE:**

• **Trash Contract**

Roy Boyer, Waste Management joined the meeting and explained single-stream service. Selectman Kastrinelis reviewed with Roy Boyer the billing process. Roy noted that the variance due to COVID, was a 9-10% increase on tonnage volume in 2020 over 2019. Selectman O'Neil felt 2020 was an anomaly. The first couple of months of 2021, the volume has been reduced. Selectman Kastrinelis asked for the annual cost for the past few years; Roy will provide this information broken down by Fiscal Year. Selectman Kastrinelis asked about the large dumpsters that are at town facilities, the town is being billed for them and wondered if these could be consolidated to reduce costs. Roy will also provide a list of sites that Waste Management picks up.

Roy explained that the Town currently allows four (4) barrels. Chair Wood asked if there would be a significant savings by reducing the number of barrels, maybe down to three (3) barrels. Roy recommended reducing to two (2) barrels to realize actual savings.

Roy discussed overflow bags if households go over the barrel allowance. The town would make a small percentage off the bags. Selectman Naves liked this concept and felt this would bring more awareness to reducing trash and make it fair to everyone. Selectman O'Neil felt two (2) barrels would be sufficient. Selectman O'Neil asked about the 7% increase in this contract and Roy responded Waste Management had underestimated how long it would take to pick up the trash in the last contract and has found it is taking more hours than originally calculated. Chair Wood asked if Waste Management could provide a de-escalating contract to make up the shortfall and get on track so that the increase is not 7% each year of the contract. Roy asked for clarification and the Board discussed having the higher percentage this year with decreases in the remaining years of the contract or the lower percentage of increase this year with higher

increases in the remaining years of the contract. Roy is willing to work with the town, the result will be the same it depends on how they get there. The Board agreed that relief in year one would be best.

Deb Kadar-Hull, Board of Health joined the meeting and asked about email responses when there are complaints and asked if this could be improved. Roy responded monthly reports are generated and asked for a contact person that this could be sent to.

Kevin Paicos asked if the FY22 budget number would be adjusted. Kevin asked Mike Wood if he wanted this to be on the agenda for Monday and if Roy could accommodate that. Roy wasn't positive but would try to have this ready for Friday or Monday. Chair Wood would be happy to have this on the agenda for Monday but would schedule a special meeting if necessary to discuss.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was moved by Selectman Kastrinelis and seconded by Selectman O'Neil to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 pm.

Roll call: Kastrinelis; yes, Watson; yes, Wood; yes, Naves; yes, O'Neil; yes.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be Monday, April 26, 2021.

*Respectfully submitted on July 28, 2021,*

*Katherine T. Ingram*