



Town of Hopkinton, NH

Office of Selectmen • 330 Main Street • Hopkinton, NH 03229-2627

Telephone: (603) 746-3170

E-mail: selectmen@tds.net

Fax: (603) 746-2952

Web Address: www.hopkinton-nh.gov

SELECTMEN PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2010 APPROVED NOVEMBER 22, 2010

Acting Chairman Tom Congoran called a regularly scheduled business meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 5:40 PM on Monday, November 15, 2010.

Present:

Tom Congoran, Selectman
George Langwasser, Selectman
Bryan Pellerin, Selectman
Chris Lawless, Selectman
Neal Cass, Town Administrator
Robin Buchanan, Administrative Assessing Assistant

Via phone: Jim O'Brien, Chairman

Public present: Merle Dustin, Janet Krzyzaniak, Ken Wilkens

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

The Board approved the following:

Vendor Disbursement and Payroll Manifests
Building/Use Permit-
For Review – Selectmen's Notes and Correspondence
For Signature – Tax Warrant, Sewer

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the Public Meeting November 8, 2010. Selectman O'Brien made a motion, seconded by Selectman Langwasser to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting. Selectmen Langwasser made a correction on page 3, 1st paragraph, seventh sentence.

VOTE: O'Brien, Congoran, Langwasser, Lawless and Pellerin voting in favor of the motion; no votes against. Motion passes 5-0.

As there were not enough members at the Town Hall to vote on the non public session, those minutes were tabled until November 22, 2010.

III. PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

Merle Dustin voicing her concern over the bandstand lawn area.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Before beginning the Budget Session, Selectmen Lawless made motion to allow Jim O'Brien to vote by phone. Selectmen Pellerin seconded the motion.

VOTE: Congoran, Langwasser, Lawless and Pellerin voting in favor of the motion; no votes against, O'Brien abstaining. Motion passes 4-0-1.

Discussion ensued with regards to paying off the Bohanan bond and funding capital reserves with money from the fund balance. The Board decided to remove the 2% increase in wages. Selectmen Lawless made a motion to remove the 2% increase in wages from the Operating Budget. Selectmen Pellerin seconded the motion.

VOTE: O'Brien, Congoran, Lawless and Pellerin voting in favor of the motion; Langwasser voting against. Motion passes 4-1.

Discussion ensued with regards to reducing the Special Events line. Selectmen Lawless made a motion to reduce the Special Events line by \$4080.00. Selectmen O'Brien seconded the motion.

VOTE: O'Brien, Congoran, Langwasser, Lawless and Pellerin voting in favor of the motion; no votes against. Motion passes 5-0.

Discussion also ensued with regards to cutting the Transfer Station printing line by \$250.00. Selectmen Lawless made a motion to cut the Transfer Station printing line by \$250.00. Selectmen O'Brien seconded the motion. A short discussion ensued.

VOTE: O'Brien and Lawless voting in favor of the motion; Congoran, Pellerin and Langwasser voting against the motion. Motion fails; 2-3.

A discussion ensued with regards to the staff at Kimball Pond. Selectmen Lawless made a motion to reduce for staff at Kimball Pond by \$2792.00. Selectmen Langwasser seconded the motion.

VOTE: O'Brien, Congoran, Langwasser, Lawless and Pellerin voting in favor of the motion; no votes against. Motion passes 5-0.

A discussion ensued with regards to cutting the Selectmen wages. Selectmen Lawless made a motion to reduce Selectmen Wages. No second.

Further discussions ensued however no further cuts were made.

Selectmen Langwasser made a motion to approve the 2011 Operating budget in the amount of \$5,521,764.00. Selectmen O'Brien seconded the motion.

VOTE: O'Brien, Congoran, Langwasser, Lawless and Pellerin voting in favor of the motion; no votes against. Motion passes 5-0.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Cass informed the Board that he and Steve Clough opened the bids for the Well House. The Town received two bids: ICC in the amount of \$163,000; Skillings in the amount of \$182,843.00. Mr. Cass and Mr. Clough are recommending ICC. Selectmen Lawless made a motion to award the bid to ICC for the Well House. Selectmen Pellerin seconded the motion.

VOTE: O'Brien, Congoran, Langwasser, Lawless and Pellerin voting in favor of the motion; no votes against. Motion passes 5-0.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Selectmen Lawless noted volunteers were hard at work this past Saturday at the Harold Martin School; a park is being put in. They will also be at it again this coming Saturday. Selectmen Pellerin noted the community has been very generous.

Selectmen Lawless informed the Board the Bohonan Sign will be going before the Planning Board this week, he is under the impression that Planning Board will sent it back to the Select Board.

Selectmen Pellerin noted there appeared to be another sign at Horseshoe Tavern for a title company. He asked Mr. Cass to find out if another business is in the building.

Selectmen Langwasser noted the Veteran's Ceremony was well attended. He also attended the dedication of the bridge in memory of Sean Powers.

Selectmen Congoran noted about 25 volunteers came together on November 13 to help with the Sean Powers Wood bank. He thanked them for their time.

There being no further business, motion by Selectman Lawless, seconded by Selectman Pellerin to adjourn the meeting. Vote 5-0 in favor of the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Buchanan
Administrative Assessing Assistant

These minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Selectmen at their meeting.