



Town of Hopkinton, NH

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SELECTMEN PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2011 Approved January 24, 2011

Chairman Jim O'Brien called a regularly scheduled business meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 5:30 PM on Monday, January 3, 2011.

Present:

Jim O'Brien, Chairman
Tom Congoran, Selectman (arriving at 5:35 pm)
George Langwasser, Selectman
Bryan Pellerin, Selectman (arriving at 5:34 pm)
Chris Lawless, Selectman
Neal Cass, Town Administrator
Robin Buchanan, Administrative Assessing Assistant

I. ADMINISTRATIVE

The Board approved the following:

Vendor Disbursement and Payroll Manifests
Building/Use Permit
For Review – Selectmen's Notes and Correspondence
For Signature –

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the Public Meeting of December 20, 2010. Selectman Langwasser made a motion, seconded by Selectman Lawless to approve the minutes of the Public Meeting.

VOTE: O'Brien, Langwasser and Lawless voting in favor of the motion; no votes against. Motion passes, 3-0.

III. PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

Merle Dustin stated she saw at least 3 bags on trash on Briar Hill Road. Mr. Cass stated he would check into it.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A discussion ensued with regards to the article in the Concord Monitor about Dr. Rosen's progress regarding the old Bio Energy plant. Selectmen O'Brien noted that no applications have been filed to date. Selectmen Pellerin will contact Dr. Rosen's attorney for any update.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Cass noted that an abutter to Map 211 Lot 14 is requesting to purchase the Map 211 Lot 14 which is 1.18 acres from the Town. A discussion ensued as to the status of other town owned property. Mr. Cass will go through the properties and note which ones can be resold.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

Town Administrator Updates: Received a request from Derek Owen, chair of the Conservation Commission. The Commission is recommending the appointment of Robert Knight to replace Todd Aubertin whose term does not expire until 2013. Selectmen Lawless made a motion to accept the recommendation to appoint Robert Knight to the Conservation Commission to replace Todd Aubertin. Selectmen Langwasser seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Cass noted a request for guest speakers in Kate Sintros' Social Studies class at Hopkinton High School on Tuesday, January 18 and Wednesday January 19. Selectmen O'Brien will take January 18 and Selectmen Lawless will check to see if he can to January 19.

Tom and Mary Congoran have forwarded a letter to the Board requesting their sponsorship for the Contoocook Carry, which will be held on September 18, 2011. Selectmen Langwasser made a motion to approve the sponsorship of the Contoocook Carry, underwritten by Tom and Mary Congoran. Selectmen Pellerin seconded the motion.

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

Selectmen O'Brien thanked Tom and Mary Congoran.

Selectmen Lawless noted the Sign Committee held a Public Hearing last week. Only one member of the public was here. Changes will not be finalized until January 11, 2011. He stated it is more organized and a cleaner ordinance than before, however, there were no substantial changes. He also noted that letters were sent out to the business owners. After January 11, 2011 another letter will be sent.

Selectmen Langwasser gave Mr. Cass the information for the dedication of the town report.

Selectmen O'Brien asked the Board to look at his submission for the Town Report and send any comments or changes.

Selectmen Langwasser inquired as to the status of the community well project. Mr. Cass states it is almost complete and it should be finished within about 2 weeks. Steve Clough will be making an appointment with the Board as soon as it is complete.

Merle Dustin noted an assessor was out at her place today and he was very courteous.

Selectmen Pellerin made a motion to go into non-public session with regards to RSA 91-A:3 II (a) personnel. Selectmen Congoran seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL VOTE: O'Brien: yes; Congoran: yes;
Lawless: yes; Langwasser: yes; Pellerin: yes.

There will be no further business after the non public session. The Board entered non public session at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Buchanan
Administrative Assessing Assistant

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