

# Town of Hopkinton, NH

# Office of the Select Board

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# SELECT BOARD PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2017 APPROVED MARCH 20, 2017

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Select Board Chair Jim O'Brien called this regular meeting of the Select Board to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 6, 2017, in the large meeting room in the Town Hall. Mr. O'Brien introduced the members of the Board. Bob Gerseny led those assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:** Jim O'Brien-Chair, Ken Traum-Vice Chair, Sue B. Strickford, Steve Lux,

Jr., and Bob Gerseny

**Staff Present:** Neal Cass (Town Administrator) and Robin Buchanan (Administrative

Assessing Assistant)

**Public Present:** Ken Wilkens, Lester and Bonnie Cressy

#### POINTS OF PRIDE

Mr. Cass stated the auditors were in this week and everything went smoothly because Deb Gallant is always fully prepared for the auditors.

Mr. Traum stated that he has been informed by Dan Blanchette, Director of Public Works, that upon confirming the vehicle purchase, that the Board approved last week, the vendor dropped the price another \$1,000.00, after a phone call from Mr. Blanchette.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE**

#### **Consent Agenda**

Board members reviewed documents for signature and approved unanimously (5-0) the Consent Agenda taking the following action on motion made by Mr. Traum and seconded by Mr. Lux.

CONSENT AGENDA 03-06-17
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE MANIFEST

\$36,921.97

\$1,330,293.03

PAYROLL \$67,348.38

## **Appointment to Office**

Ricardo Rodriguez Economic Development Committee

#### **BUILDING PERMITS**

Diamond Terry & Michelle finish space in basement Map 216 Lot 16

Matte Rosemarie Anna detached barn Map 257 Lot 41-7

Martin Michael renovations to kitchen/bath & sills Map 219 Lot 17

Durand Lynn change use Map 227 Lot 44

Benzel Thomas remodel loft space above garage sewing/workout Map 264 Lot 16

## **INTENT TO CUT**

Carmelo Ferrigno, Jr. Map 224 Lot 56 George Hahn Map 219 Lot 15

## **Solar Exemption**

William & Nancy Brown Map 257 Lot 37

# **Annual Post-Closure Report (Inactive Solid Waste Landfills)**

#### **Veteran's Credit**

Gregory Sorel Map 258 Lot 39

#### **Timber Warrant**

Erick Leadbeater Map 257-14

## **Elderly Deferral**

Gaskill Map 102 Lot 84

Transfer of Funds Special Revenue Fund Accounts		\$5,543.05
Human Services-Donations to General Fund	\$1,250.12	
Fire Dept- Auxiliary to General Fund	\$ 250.00	
Slusser Center Donation to General Fund	\$1,713.82	
Human Services-Energy to General Fund	\$2,329.11	
Transfer of Funds Special Revenue Fund Accounts		\$28.65
Slusser Center Rental Expense to General Fund	\$28.65	
Transfer of Funds		\$7,949.18
Sewer Fund 200 Account to General Fund	\$7,949.18	
Transfer of Funds		\$6,101.15
Sewer Fund Account to General Fund	\$6,101.15	

The Board reviewed the Select Board Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, February 21, 2017. Mr. Traum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lux, to approve the Public Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2017. Chair O'Brien called for a vote.

**VOTE:** O'Brien, Traum, Strickford, Lux and Gerseny voting in favor of the motion; no votes against. MOTION APPROVED 5-0.

The Board reviewed the Select Board Non-Public Minutes of Tuesday, February 21, 2017. Mr. Traum made a motion, seconded by Mr. Lux, to approve the Non-Public Meeting Minutes of February 21, 2017. Chair O'Brien called for a vote.

**VOTE:** O'Brien, Traum, Strickford, Lux and Gerseny voting in favor of the motion; no votes against. MOTION APPROVED 5-0.

**PUBLIC FORUM:** Mr. Cressy stated that the only two reports in the Town Report that were longer than one page were the Select Board and the Town Administrator.

**APPOINTMENTS:** There were no appointments.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Town Meeting Script Review:** Mr. Cass inquired as to who was speaking at Town Meeting to Article 8, Rescinding Pay by Bag and Article 10, Adoption of the Veteran's Tax. Mr. Gerseny stated that he would be speaking to both.

**Town Meeting Update:** Mr. Cass stated that voting and Town Meeting will be held in the Hopkinton High School gym. The School District Meeting will be held in the auditorium. Mr. Cass also stated that childcare will be available for Town Meeting.

**Election Day Coverage:** The Board went over the times they would be available for Election Day.

**Financial Review:** Mr. Cass went over the financials, noting that Public Works overtime is at 65% expended year to date, due to snow removal.

## TOWN ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES:

**Health Rate Update:** Mr. Cass stated that the health insurance is going up 14.6%, which is 9% less that originally quoted.

**Upcoming Meetings:** Abutters Meeting Wednesday 3/8

Candidates Forum Thursday 3/9

School Meeting Saturday 3/11

Local Elections Tuesday 3/14 Town Meeting Saturday 3/18

Mr. Gerseny stated that during the EDC presentations for the zoning ordinances held on February 28 and March 2, the residents' concerns were about traffic on Route 202 & 9. Other than that, the feedback was positive.

# NON-PUBLIC SESSION IV-RSA 91-A: 3 IV (a) Personnel

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Respectfully submitted, Robin Buchanan, Administrative Assessing Assistant