



TOWN OF HADLEY
SELECT BOARD
April 23, 2014
Meeting Minutes

Meeting convened at 6:30 pm, Room 203, Hadley Town Hall

Present: Guilford Mooring, Chair, Joyce Chunglo, Molly Keegan, John Waskiewicz, Brian West

Absent:

Also in Attendance: David Nixon (Town Administrator); Peg Jekanowski, (Admin. Assistant); Richard Trueswell, (TV-5); Frank Aquadro, Howard Koski, Linda Sanderson, Lynn McKenna (Finance Committee); Gary Girouard (DPW); Chris Desjardins, Linda Dunlavy, Robie Grant, Sean Mackin (School Department); Connie Mieczkowski, Joan Zuzgo (Treasurer's Office); Gail Weiss (Accountant); Daniel Zdonek (Asst. Assessor); Jessica Spanknebel (Clerk); Susan Glowatsky (Collector); Tim Neyhart (Inspections); Damion Shanley (Police); Michael Spanknebel (Fire)

Old Business: Annual Town Meeting – Levee Survey: The Board discussed the need for a more detailed survey of the levee as part of the Town infrastructure. Discussion was whether to take money from Capital Stabilization (storm water compliance) at the Annual Town Meeting on May 1 or wait until the Fall Town Meeting. The cost of the survey is \$30,500.00. *Motion to take \$30,500.00 from Capital Stabilization (adding an additional item to Article 10 on the Warrant) for levee survey: Keegan Second: Mooring Vote: 3-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstaining, West absent at time of vote.)*

Old Business: FY2015 Budget: Chair Mooring stated the rules for order in discussing the budget. Mr. Nixon asked the Board reconsider the STEP increases and 2% COLAs be reinstated in order to maintain parity between union and nonunion employees, for a total of \$20,497.00, and suggested suing the balance of \$24,000.00 certified free cash as a funding mechanism. (The budget in the Inspections Services was increased by 5 hours to accommodate the office taking on plumbing fees.) Discussion ensued including the need for a wage study.

Individual departments went through the line items in their budget and stated what impact any cuts would have to their service. Some cuts recommended were actually contractual obligations. After all departments had a chance to speak, the following was determined for the department budgets:

Moderator	– \$100.00
Select Board	- \$66,277.00
Town Administrator	\$89,637.00
Finance Committee	\$1,050.00
Reserve Fund	\$50,000.00
Accountant	\$93,649.00
Assessors	\$84,592.00
Treasurer	\$115,764.00
Collector	\$107,284.00
Legal	\$36,380.00
Clerk	\$74,194.00
Board of Registrars	\$16,220.00
Conservation	\$3,050.00
Planning Board	\$11,780.00
Board of Appeals	\$3,665.00
Long Range Plan	\$2,500.00
Senior Center	\$49,070.00
Property Insurance	\$111,000.00
Town Hall	\$65,826.00
North Hadley Hall	\$20,500.00
Russell School	\$950.00
Police	\$933,027.00
Fire	\$315,811.00
Communications	\$268,160.00
Ambulance	\$125,000.00



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Building Inspector	\$90,992.00 (and fees will be re-evaluated)
Gas Inspector	\$3,942.00
Plumbing Inspector	\$6,390.00
School	\$6,060,000.00
Highway	\$723,215.00
Street Lights	\$18,000.00
Snow & Ice	\$168,222.00
Wastewater	\$710,200.00 (Enterprise fund)
Water	\$997,358.00 (Enterprise fund)
Building Maint.	\$65,615.00
Cemetery	\$17,793.00
Board of Health	\$34,995.00
Council/Aging	\$70,143.00 (Will meet with Fin Comm on 04/26/2014)
Veterans Services	\$104,200.00
Oliver Smith Will	\$100.00
Cable TV	\$16,305.00
Public Library	\$201,441.00
Park Commission	\$56,602.00
Historic Commission	\$1,250.00
Total Debt	\$803,606.00
State Assessments	\$1,028,808.00
Benefits	\$2,141,538.00 (+ \$6,500.00 for ballot question)
Insurance Benefits	\$44,000.00
Offset and Overlay	\$483,729.00

Motion to accept the budget as discussed, (\$14,752,658.00 in expenses – using agreed upon revenue, certified free cash and additional revenue per House Ways and Means, leaving a balance of \$6,984.00) subject to verification of numbers: Waskiewicz Second: Chunglo Vote: 5-0-0

Annual Town Meeting Warrant: Final Review and Signature: Mr. Nixon stated that there is one amendment to the Warrant regarding building in 5% contingency for Sewer Pumps Station 1&4. The Board took the following votes on Capital Articles:

Article 10: Motion: Chunglo Second: Keegan (Add \$30,500 from Capitalization Stabilization for levee survey and move one police cruiser from stabilization to capital stabilization.) Vote: 4-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstaining)

Article 11: Motion: West Second: Chunglo (Increasing for 5% contingency to \$715,000.00) Vote: 4-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstaining)

Article 12 (subject to debt exclusion): Motion: West Second: Keegan Vote: 4-0-1

There was brief discussion regarding the funding mechanism for the payment to the Hukowicz estate. The Board took no action. **Motion to sign warrant: West Second: Chunglo Vote: 5-0-0**

Announcements:

The Board offered condolences to the families of Niedzala, Mike zabowski, and Joe Fill. Congratulations to Brad and Jeff Mish as well as David Martula who completed the Boston Marathon,; and the Vandoloski's who completed a white river rafting race in 4th place.

Adjournment: 10:38 pm: Motion to adjourn: Chunglo Second: West Vote: 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret J. Jekanowski
Administrative Assistant