**PRESENT:** L. M. Smith, Chairman, E. B. Beattie, Vice Chairman, L. Gargiulo, Selectman, L. A. Ruest, Town Administrator, H. Fazzino, Secretary.

## **SECTION 1 – PUBLIC COMMENT**

E. B. Beattie reports that former Selectman Thomas Beeler died last week, a very active Hampton Falls volunteer. A comment from Mr. Beeler's obituary card was read.

## WINTER ROAD MAINTENANCE SERVICES 2018-2019

J. Ziolkowski submitted his Final Invoice and Report. There was 50 inches of snow for the season.

## RESIDENTS REPORTS OF COMPLAINTS AND/OR DAMAGES

ELM Services is in receipt of the list of complaints. It will take 2 weeks to complete the items. J. Ziolkowski discussed the status of equipment remaining in the brush garage. He will remove his equipment within 7 days if ELM is not awarded the Winter Road Maintenance Contract. J. Ziolkowski acknowledged no responsibility or liability on the Town and is willing to sign a document with the Board of Selectmen authorizing the equipment to remain until April 25, 2019.

**MOTION:** To approve ELM's invoice # 39281 in the amount of \$7,282.38.

MOTION: L. M. SMITH SECOND: E. B. BEATTIE

**UNANIMOUS** 

## ROAD AGENT - CORE SERVICES/INVOICE MONTHLY REPORT

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged the March Highway Report.

| 2019 Goals                                   | The Board of Selectmen acknowledged the          |
|--|--|
|  | Road Agent's goals.                              |
| Removal of Winter Road Maintenance           | He is aware of the vehicles located at the       |
| Equipment from Brush Dump by Apr. 15         | Brush Dump.                                      |
| Status of Repairs/Damages Resulting from     | He is working with ELM on resolving all          |
| Snow Plowing 2018/2019                       | issues.  |
| Drinkwater Road (Kennedy) Culvert            | Shell of the culvert is in place. Brad Jones,    |
|  | Town Engineer, completed an inspection           |
|  | today. The contractor has been able to move      |
|  | water effectively.                               |
| Drinkwater Road (Kennedy) culvert Guardrails | T. Buck Construction (Contractor) quoted         |
| - Obtain Prices                              | \$2,520 for the guardrail reinstallation.        |
|  |  |
|  | <b>MOTION:</b> To notify T-Buck to reinstall the |
|  | guardrail for \$2,520.                           |
|  |  |
|  | MOTION: E. B. BEATTIE                            |
|  | SECOND: L. GARGIULO                              |
|  | UNANIMOUS  |

| King Street culvert                  | A second culvert at King Street is failing. It |
|--------------------------------------|--|
|                                      | will be discussed at another meeting.          |
| 2019 Tree Work                       | Urban Tree Service submitted a bid for tree    |
|                                      | pruning and removal. The topic is continued to |
|                                      | the next work session of April 24, 2019.       |
| Schedule Work Session – 2019 Highway | April 24, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.                    |
| Department Projects                  |  |

# MOWING & GROUNDSKEEPING BIDS RESULTS:

| Glenn's Maintenance, Hampton | Amount | Single Mow |
|------------------------------|--------|------------|
| Gov Weare Park               | 6,300  | 250        |
| Town Commons                 | 3,120  | 125        |
| Government Buildings         | 2,400  |            |
| Total All Locations          | 11,820 |            |

| BID AWARDED TO: | ELM Services, Inc., Hampton | Amount             | Single Mow |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------|
|                 | Gov Weare Park              | <mark>6,000</mark> | 300        |
|                 | Town Commons                | 4,500              | 150        |
|                 | Government Buildings        | No bid             |            |
|                 | *Total Gov. Weare Park &    | *\$10,500          |            |

| BID AWARDED TO: | Bateman Landscaping, Hampton | Amount             | Single Mow |
|-----------------|------------------------------|--------------------|------------|
|                 | Gov Weare Park               | 6,200              | 248        |
|                 | Town Commons                 | <mark>2,200</mark> | 88         |
|                 | Government Buildings         | 2,400              |            |
|                 | Total All Locations          | 10,800             |            |

| Leo's Lawn Care, LLC | Amount | Single Mow |
|----------------------|--------|------------|
| Gov Weare Park       | 14,100 | 350        |
| Town Commons         | 6,415  | 150        |
| Government Buildings | 3,430  |            |
| Total All Locations  | 23,945 |            |

| BID AWARDED TO: | Ryan Bailey, Hampton | Amount | Single Mow |
|-----------------|----------------------|--------|------------|
|                 | Gov Weare Park       | 6,240  | 240        |
|                 | Town Commons         | 2,530  | 85         |
|                 | Government Buildings | 1,230  |            |
|                 | Total All Locations  | 10,000 |            |

| Going Green Landscaping    | Amount | Single Mow |
|----------------------------|--------|------------|
| Gov Weare Park             | 8,000  | 320        |
| Town Commons               | 3,200  | 120        |
| Government Buildings       | 2,000  |            |
| <b>Total All Locations</b> | 13,200 |            |

Lyn Stan, Recreation Commission, requests to view the bid documents.

E. B. Beattie confirmed that the Town Common is the only area that requires bagging.

The contracts were awarded as follows:

**MOTION:** To award the 2019 Mowing and Groundskeeping bid based on the low bid for each area, as follows:

Gov. Weare Park- ELM Services, Inc. \$6,000 Town Commons- Bateman Landscaping \$2,200 Government Buildings- Ryan Bailey \$1,230

MOTION: E. B. BEATTIE SECOND: L. M. SMITH

**UNANIMOUS** 

## FIRE CHIEF, AMBULANCE, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - MONTHLY REPORT

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged the March Fire Report.

#### **2019 Goals**

Develop a salary program based on hourly rate.

ISO Rating- changed from 8 to 5, effective 7/1/19. Residents should discuss this improvement with their insurance carrier.

Fireworks Ordinance- Needs to be revised as soon as possible, regarding minors.

The NRC meeting is in Hampton next Wednesday in Seabrook at the Hampton Best Western at 6pm.

## POLICE CHIEF, ANIMAL CONTROL - MONTHLY REPORT

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged the March Police Report. L. M. Smith discussed an incident on 3/4/19, threatening the Police Chief at the Police Station. Crime Line requested funding to assist with staff coverage.

| <b>2019 Goals</b>                          |
|--|
| Attract and hire additional officers.      |
| Purchase and outfit a new cruiser in 2019. |
| Approval of a probationary officer.        |

**MOTION:** To approve the six month probationary appointment of Grant Fotheringham.

MOTION: L. M. SMITH SECOND: L. GARGIULO

**UNANIMOUS** 

The Chief requested an award of three steps for exemplary performance of the Police Secretary. Chief requests going from Step 1 to Step 4 pay rate.

**MOTION:** To move forward with the chief's recommendation.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO SECOND: E. B. BEATTIE

**UNANIMOUS** 

# BUILDING INSPECTOR, CODE COMPLIANCE, HEALTH OFFICER – MONTHLY REPORT

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged the Building Report for March.

Avesta Building 2 is enclosed, Building 3 is a shell.

East Road- a new resident reached out for an explanation of the condition of this Class 6 road, regarding materials used to cover the roadway.

## **SECTION 2 – PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

## **Consent Agenda**

- 1. Monthly Financial Reports of Bookkeeper, Treasurer, Tax Collector
- 2. Final Tax Bill Certification to Department of Revenue Administration

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged two items.

#### FINANCIAL REPORTS

General Fund Balance \$87,960.24

# ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/PAYROLL/TREASURER/TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS WARRANT(S)

| Accounts Payable    | #658   | \$554,355.76 |
|---------------------|--------|--------------|
| Accounts Payable    | #659   | \$757,158.73 |
| Payroll Warrant     | #459   | \$ 19,904.64 |
| Treasurer's Warrant | 2019-4 | \$297,649.61 |
| Treasurer's Warrant | 2019-5 | \$ 2,047.63  |

**MOTION:** To approve Accounts Payable #658 and #659 and Payroll Warrant #459 and the

Treasurer's Warrant 2019-4 and 2019-5 as presented.

MOTION: E. B. BEATTIE SECOND: L. GARGIULO

**UNANIMOUS** 

The Board acknowledged the requests from the Trustees of the Trust Funds as presented by the Bookkeeper.

**MOTION:** To approve the request from the Trustees of the Trust Fund totaling \$350,368.16.

MOTION: E. B. BEATTIE SECOND: L. GARGIULO

**UNANIMOUS** 

Lyn Stan, Meadow Lane. (Old Business). White Goods Day, wondered when the 2019 Citizen's Petition Article would be reconsidered. L. M. Smith spoke to the Board's interest in terms of reinstating a second White Goods Day, in full or in part, as funds allow.

#### NEXTERA – VALUE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

The Board of Selectmen acknowledged NEXTERA's approval of its request for the Pilot. The Agreement is in draft form at Nextera.

## ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION - ROCKINGHAM PLANNING COMMISSION

(MOU) Neighborhood Energy reached out to the Town for becoming an aggregator. L. M. Smith recommended continuing with the RPC. L. Gargiulo recommends also investigating the options through the broker. The Town has 30 days to terminate the agreement.

**MOTION:** To enter into an agreement with the RPC to investigate electricity aggregation and authorize the Chairman to sign the Memorandum of Understanding.

MOTION: E. B. BEATTIE SECOND: L. GARGIULO

**UNANIMOUS** 

## **MOSQUITO CONTROL SERVICES 2019**

**MOTION:** To approve the amended mosquito control services plan (April 9, 2019) of \$20,000 with Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc. and reevaluate whether additional resources are available for continued service into the fall.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO SECOND: E. B. BEATTIE

**UNANIMOUS** 

## APPOINTMENT OF TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

**MOTION:** To re-establish and appoint the Town Improvement Committee with a total of 9

members.

MOTION: L. M. SMITH SECOND: L. GARGIULO

**UNANIMOUS** 

OTHER SELECTMEN'S OLD BUSINESS

**SECTION 3 – PUBLIC COMMENT** 

None.

**NEW BUSINESS** 

## MS-535 FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE BUDGET

**MOTION:** To approve and sign the MS-535 as presented by Plodzik & Sanderson.

MOTION: L. M. SMITH SECOND: L. GARGIULO

**UNANIMOUS** 

## APPLICATION FOR PERMANENT PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

**MOTION:** To approve applications for Map 2 Lot 70 and Map 1 Lot 101 for elderly exemption.

MOTION: L. M. SMITH SECOND: E. B. BEATTIE

**UNANIMOUS** 

## PROPERTY TAX REFUND #684

**MOTION:** To approve the Tax Refund for Map 4 Lot 46-03 as presented by the Tax Collector.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO SECOND: E. B. BEATTIE

**UNANIMOUS** 

## **VETERANS TAX CREDITS**

**MOTION:** To approve veteran's tax credit applications for:

| Map 4 Lot 58-6 |
|----------------|
| Map 7 Lot 31   |
| Map 4 Lot 47-4 |
| Map 9 Lot 6    |
| Map 5 Lot 53-4 |

MOTION: L. M. SMITH SECOND: E. B. BEATTIE

**UNANIMOUS** 

## MAY/JUNE MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

The Board consented to distribute the quarterly newsletter for distribution as presented.

## POLICY REGARDING LEGAL OPINIONS

The Board directed L. A. Ruest to draft a revision to the policy regarding legal opinions for the next meeting to allow department heads and the Town Administrator to speak with or contact Town Counsel without having to wait until a public meeting of the Board of Selectmen for approval, upon authorization by the Board Chairman.

## **APPOINTMENT OF ROAD AGENT (11/1/18)**

**MOTION:** To appoint Russ Hilliard as Road Agent effective 5/1/119 through 11/18/19.

MOTION: L. M. SMITH SECOND: E. B. BEATTIE

**UNANIMOUS** 

OTHER SELECTMEN'S NEW BUSINESS- none.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:** 3/27/2019, 4/1/2019 and 4/3/2019

**MOTION:** To approve the minutes of 3/27/19, 4/1/19 and 4/3/19 as written.

MOTION: L. M. SMITH SECOND: E. B. BEATTIE

**UNANIMOUS** 

**PUBLIC COMMENT** 

None.

Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made by L. M. Smith seconded by E. B. Beattie.

**Specific Statutory Reason** cited as foundation for the nonpublic session:

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN TOWN OF HAMPTON FALLS

## APRIL 17, 2019 – 4:00 PM TOWN HALL

#### **DRAFT**

\_X\_ RSA 91-A:3, II(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.

Roll Call vote to enter nonpublic session: Edward B. Beattie, Vice Chairman Y

Louis Gargiulo, Selectman Y Larry M. Smith, Chairman Y

**Entered nonpublic session** at 5:35 p.m.

**Motion to leave nonpublic session** and return to public session by L. M. Smith, seconded by E. B. Beattie.

**Motion: PASSES** 

**Public session reconvened** at 6:30 p.m.

Motion seal the minutes of the April 17, 2019 nonpublic session.

Motion made by L. Gargiulo, seconded by E. B. Beattie because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would

\_\_X\_ Affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board

**Roll Call Vote to seal minutes**: Edward B. Beattie, Vice Chairman Y

Louis Gargiulo, Selectman Y Larry M. Smith, Chairman Y

**Motion: PASSES** 

**MOTION:** To adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

MOTION: L. M. SMITH SECOND: E. B. BEATTIE

**UNANIMOUS**