

**FINAL**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING**

**April 21, 2014**

**7:30 P.M. – MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING – HANOVER, NH**

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Peter Christie. Present were: Peter Christie, Chairman; Athos Rassias, Vice Chairman; Bill Geraghty, Selectman; Nancy Carter, Selectman; Jay Buckey, Selectman; and Julia Griffin, Town Manager.

**1. PUBLIC COMMENT.**

Chairman Christie asked for Public Comment. There were no comments from the public.

**2. RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT ABATEMENTS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ADVISORY BOARD OF ASSESSORS.**

Chairman Christie invited Mike Ryan, Assessor, to speak to the Board. Mr. Ryan stated that the Board of Assessors met on April 10<sup>th</sup>. He noted that Joe Roberto agreed to stay on the Board. Ms. Griffin reported that Mr. Roberto would be on the Warrant for Town Meeting for re-election.

Chairman Christie noted that the 5 abatement requests were straightforward. Mr. Ryan stated that there are 5 abatements outstanding that will be addressed at their next meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman Christie stated for the viewing audience that the abatement requests typically are generated when homeowners notice discrepancies between the tax records and the actual status of the property.

**Vice Chairman Rassias MOVED to Adopt Abatements as Recommended by the Advisory Board of Assessors. Selectman Buckey SECONDED the Motion.**

**THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT ABATEMENTS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ADVISORY BOARD OF ASSESSORS.**

**3. TOWN MEETING PREPARATION.**

Ms. Griffin and the Board reviewed the Warrant Articles and determined which member would present each one at Town Meeting.

Ms. Griffin noted that Peter Christie and Bill Geraghty were up for re-election so they would not be assigned to oversee the voting during the day. Selectman Buckey reported that he would be travelling back to the area that day but would be present for the Business Meeting. Selectman Carter and Vice Chairman Rassias would be alternating time to oversee the voting during the day.

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**4. RECOMMENDATION TO SET POLLING HOURS ON TUESDAY, MAY 13<sup>th</sup> FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.**

Selectman Buckey **MOVED** to Set Polling Hours on Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Selectman Geraghty **SECONDED** the Motion.

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**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**  
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Selectman Geraghty **MOVED** to Approve the Minutes of April 7, 2014. Selectman Carter **SECONDED** the Motion.

**THE BOARD VOTED 4 IN FAVOR, 0 OPPOSED, 1 ABSTAINED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 7, 2014. (Selectman Buckey abstained from the vote).**

**6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.**

Ms. Griffin announced that Green Up day is Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. They are working on getting the word out through the community through local media and the schools are putting it in their newsletters. She reported that bags will be available at the Etna Library, the Howe Library, the Public Works Facility and the Community Center. She noted that typically they get several hundreds of bags of trash during this event. Ms. Griffin stated that Ann Cioffi used to head up this event but retired after last year. She reported that the bags can be left on the side of the road and DPW will pick them up on Monday.

Ms. Griffin reported that the swearing in ceremony for Martin McMillan, the new Fire Chief, will be held on Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the Hanover Fire Department. His first day is Monday May 5<sup>th</sup>. There will be refreshments.

Ms. Griffin stated that the Town Report is off to the printer and they will send out post card mailings to residents when the report is available. They will put together a mailing of the Warrant and background information that will be mailed to all residents next week. The Town Report can be picked up at the libraries, the Community Center, Town Hall, and the Public Works Department; they will mail it to anyone who would like it. She reported that the Town Report is also available on disc or on-line at the Town's website. Ms. Griffin noted that the Town Report features the addition to the Etna Library on the front cover as well as tributes to Chief Giaccone and Chief Bradley who retired last year.

**7. SELECTMEN'S REPORTS.**

The Board members had nothing new to report.

**8. OTHER BUSINESS.**

**Chairman Christie MOVED to Follow the Request for a Non-Public Session to Discuss Items Pursuant to RSA 91-a: 3, II (b) & (c).**

**SELECTMAN BUCKEY VOTED YES; SELECTMAN CARTER VOTED YES; CHAIRMAN CHRISTIE VOTED YES; VICE CHAIRMAN RASSIAS VOTED YES; AND SELECTMAN GERAGHTY VOTED YES. THE BOARD WENT INTO NON-PUBLIC SESSION AT 7:50 P.M.**

**Vice Chairman Rassias MOVED to Exit the Non-Public Session. Selectman Buckey SECONDED the Motion.**

**THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO EXIT THE NON-PUBLIC SESSION AT 9:07 P.M.**

**9. ADJOURNMENT.**

**Vice Chairman Rassias MOVED to Adjourn the Meeting. Selectman Buckey SECONDED the Motion.**

**THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:07 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy A. Carter, Secretary

Minutes prepared by Elizabeth S. Rathburn.

**SUMMARY**

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