

The regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting was called to order by the Chair, Jack Steiner at 7:00pm. Those present included George Lagassa, Lloyd Sullivan (Selectmen), and Russell McAllister (Town Administrator).

The Selectmen reviewed the meeting minutes of April 24<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Lagassa made the motion to accept the minutes of April 24<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

The selectmen reviewed correspondence and/or signed:

- a. Administration/Business
- a. Minutes - April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2000
- b. Payroll
- c. Manifest
- d. LRSM - Dredge Contract
- e. Cemetery Deeds
- f. Lien Execution
- g. CDBG Implementation Workshop
- h. DOT - Driveway Permit
- i. Nursing Home Admissions Pending
- j. Coakley Minutes
- k. NHMA Property Liability Trust open meeting May 10, 1:00pm
- l. HWW - Water Supply Update / Advisory Council Mtg 6/21 7pm
- m. Executive Council Newsletter
- n. Federal Surplus List Renewal
- o. SBAC Meeting 5/11 5:30pm
  
- p. Painting Bid

It was noted that two bids for painting and roofing of the Town Office had been issued. Only one painting bid was received from Jim's Painting from Hampton. The bid was \$1,960. Mr. Lagassa made the motion to accept the bid. Mr. Steiner seconded. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

#### **Architect Richard Correll - 7:15pm**

##### *Design Services for space above Police Station*

Mr. Correll addressed the Board regarding the issue of space needs. He explained the fee schedule as outlined by the American Institute of Architects for different types of services such as new construction, remodeling and types of building. He also explained that an alternative method of payment is fee for service and is based on an hourly rate and may be the best approach in this case. Mr. Correll explained that it was difficult to know what problems were likely to be encountered during the design phase. In particular he noted that codes had changed and that the electrical and heating systems currently in place may be undersized for the planned addition. Preplanning was important because it took into account future needs and thereby avoided unnecessary future costs as the use expanded. Jenifer Landman noted that the Historical Society had completed a space analysis for the storing of the Society's historical collection. The current Town Offices would be adequate. Mr. Parker inquired whether all the municipal buildings would be part of the architectural plans and services. Mr. Parker noted that the current availability of storage for Town records was wholly inadequate. Mr. Lagassa provided a brief synopsis of the issue during his tenure on the Board. He explained that the Board had kicked around the idea that Mr. Steiner could probably design the space and 'spec' the materials and so forth, but that seemed too much a 'by the seat of the pants' kind of approach. Mr. Sullivan felt that something more immediate than planning needed to be done to address the general overcrowding and lack of workspace for employees. Mr. Sullivan noted that a carpenter

with vision was what was needed at this time. Mr. Lagassa agreed that as a first step something more concrete and immediate was necessary and that the fee for service might be appropriate. The second step should be more long range in its scope. The Board thanked Mr. Correll for his time.

### Selectmen's Issues

#### *Mosquito Control*

Mr. Sullivan spoke to the issue of mosquito spraying in the marsh. He noted that there had been a rise in the number of reported cases of equine encephalitis in Massachusetts. He noted that it might be possible that salt marsh mosquitoes this far North may also carry the West Nile virus. It was mentioned that Rye had a spraying program for their marsh and the total cost was approximately \$30,000. Rye's spraying program utilized rather benign chemicals that controlled the mosquito larvae. There was some discussion about joining Rye's efforts if there were money in the budget. The TA was asked to contact the Rye TA Matt Upton to see how much their spraying program cost.

#### *Legal issues and/or actions regarding Route 1 & DOT Driveway Permitting*

Mr. Sullivan addressed the issue of driveway permits issued by DOT along Route 1 to property owners in exchange for a 10' deed of land abutting Route 1. Any business developing a parcel and seeking a driveway permit for Route 1 was required to deed a ten-foot section of their property. Mr. Sullivan questioned the legality of the issue. Mr. Turchan claimed that it was a taking and that RSA 230 mandated that property owners be recompensed for such a taking. Mr. Sullivan made the motion to have legal counsel investigate the legal aspects and report back to the Board. Mr. Lagassa seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

#### *Appointment of Heritage Commission Members*

The Board addressed the issue of appointing Heritage Commission members as recommended by the Planning Board. The list is presented below.

Name	Status	Term
Jenifer Landman	Full Member	2002
Janice Mellian	Full Member	2002
Robert Southworth	Full Member	2001
Barbara Hobby	Alternate	2000
Anna Pike	Alternate	2000
Priscilla Leavitt	Full Member	2000
Jane Palmer	Full Member	2000
Lloyd Sullivan	Selectmen's Rep	
Pam Schwotzer	Library Consultant	

Mr. Sullivan made the motion to accept the Heritage Commission appointments as recommended by the Planning Board. Mr. Lagassa seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

#### *North Hampton Business Association Letter*

##### *ZBA Appointments*

The two issues above being related were combined in a single discussion. It was noted that the letter received from the North Hampton Business Association (NHBA) requested the Board not to routinely appoint long-time members. The NHBA did approve of the Board soliciting participation via the newspaper.. Mr. Lagassa noted that the Board needed to remain sensitive to the needs of various groups, but did note that some of the language within the letter he did not agree with. Mr. Lagassa made the motion to nominate Dick Wollmar (full member) and Craig Kelleher (alternate) to the Zoning Board. Mr. Sullivan

asked if the nomination for appointments could be handled individually. Mr. Lagassa agreed. He restated his motion to appoint Dick Wollmar as a full member to the ZBA. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. Mr. Steiner asked for discussion. Mr. Steiner spoke to the experience and his support of Allen Brandt as a full member to the ZBA. The vote was Mr. Lagassa & Mr. Sullivan in favor of appointing Mr. Wollmar. Mr. Steiner's vote was against. Mr. Wollmar was appointed as a full member of the ZBA. Mr. Sullivan next made a motion to appoint John Simmons as an alternate on the ZBA. The motion foundered for lack of a second. Mr. Lagassa made the motion to appoint Craig Kelleher as an alternate to the ZBA. Mr. Steiner seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved. Peter Simmons declared that Mr. Ryan, Town legal counsel, had directed Mr. Steiner to recuse himself on any issue having to do with the Simmons family.

*Joe Fitzgerald Letter - Tabled*

Mr. Lagassa briefed the Board on the status of the Conservation Commissions efforts to develop a strategy for the acquisition of developable land. Land trusts and outright acquisitions through bonding were ideas currently under consideration.

Questions & Comments

Robbie Robertson asked why the school property in North Hampton was posted with no trespassing signs. He asked whether or not it was public property.

Lucille Ellingwood asked who would pay for the liability insurance associated with public access to conservation lands.

Jeff Church mentioned that vehicular traffic on Mill Road was increasing and that there was a lot of speeding past his residence. Lt. Brian Page noted that there has been an increase in use of Mill Road since construction began on Route 1 in Hampton.

Mr. Lagassa praised Allen Brandts many years of service to the Community while on the ZBA.

There being no further business to come before the Board the public meeting adjourned at approximately 9:10pm. Mr. Lagassa made the motion to convene in non-public session under RSA91-A:3 II (a) to discuss personnel issues. Mr. Sullivan seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved.

Respectfully,

Russell McAllister  
Town Administrator