

Board of Selectmen
Minutes of 03/20/06
Approved 3/27/06

I. Call to Order

Chairman Don Gould called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m. There were also present, Emily Creighton, Selectwoman, Henry Marsh, Selectman and Michael Pardue, Town Administrator. Mr. Pardue served as the Recording Secretary for this session.

II. Selectmen Items

Mr. Gould congratulated Ms. Creighton on her reelection to the Board and both Mr. Gould and Ms. Creighton congratulated Mr. Marsh on his being elected to serve on the Board of Selectmen.

A. Organization of the Board of Selectmen

Motion/Vote: Mr. Gould made a motion to nominate Ms. Creighton to serve as the Board of Selectmen Chair. Mr. Marsh seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

At this time, Ms. Creighton assumed the position of Chair of the Board of Selectmen, being congratulated by her colleagues.

Motion/Vote: Mr. Gould made a motion to appoint Ms. Creighton to serve as the Selectmen's representative to the Budget Committee. Mr. Marsh seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

Motion/Vote: Mr. Gould made a motion to appoint Mr. Marsh to serve as the Selectmen's representative to the Planning Board. Ms. Creighton seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

Motion/Vote: Mr. Marsh made a motion to appoint Mr. Gould to serve as the Selectmen's representative to the Water Commission. Ms. Creighton seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

Motion/Vote: Ms. Creighton made a motion to appoint Mr. Gould to serve as the Selectmen's representative to the Heritage Commission. Mr. Gould seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

Motion/Vote: Mr. Gould made a motion to appoint Ms. Creighton to serve as the Selectmen's representative to the Conservation Commission. Mr. Marsh seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

Motion/Vote: Mr. Marsh made a motion to appoint Mr. Gould to serve as the Selectmen's representative to North Hampton Forever. Ms. Creighton seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

Motion/Vote: Ms. Creighton made a motion to appoint Mr. Marsh to serve as the Selectmen's representative to the Old Town Hall Renovation Committee. Mr. Gould seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

The Board next engaged in discussion about the need to "post public notice" of the vacancies on each Board and Commission having same. The intent of such posting is to allow interested parties to forward to the Town a Letter of Interest. Letters of Interest will then be forwarded to the respective Board or Commission Chair and that the recommendation of the Chair would "weigh heavily" in the appointment decision made by the Board of Selectmen.

The Board agreed that the vacancies should be noticed as soon as possible with a reply date of not later than April 3, 2006. The recommendations of the Chairs would then be received and acted upon by the Board at their regularly scheduled meeting of April 10, 2006.

B. Chief Page Requesting Use of 239 Atlantic Ave.

Chief Page advised the Board that he had received a request from the Portsmouth Police Department to use 239 Atlantic Ave. for "basic building search" training.

Chief Page stated that he expects approximately 15 people to attend from Portsmouth PD. On the dates of 3/26, 3/28 and 4/4/06.

Chief Page assured the Board that he would work to address participant parking and to insure that the library parking lot remains "open and available" to library attendees.

The Board reached consensus that to allow Portsmouth PD to use the 239 Atlantic Ave. building for basic search practice was appropriate.

C. Possible Health Concern

Mr. Gould advised that he was concerned about the mounting trash pile in front of a home on Post Rd. The Board asked Mr. Pardue to ask the CEO and the Town's health officer, Cory Landry to look in to this matter and act appropriately to have the trash removed.

D. Questions and Comments on Above Topics

None.

III. Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3 II (d,e)

Motion / Vote: Mr. Gould made a motion to temporarily adjourn the meeting at 5:40 p.m. for the purpose of entering into non-public session under the provisions of RSA 91-A:3 II (d, e) for the purpose of discussing the acquisition, sale or lease of real or personal property and a possible legal matter. Mr. Marsh seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 3-0.

III. Non-Public Session RSA 91-A: 3 II (a, e)

Motion / Vote: Mr. Gould made a motion to reconvene the public portion of the meeting at 6:34 p.m. Ms. Creighton seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

IV. Adjournment

Being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Gould made a motion to adjourn at 6:37 p.m. Ms. Creighton seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and so moved 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Pardue
Town Administrator