

APPROVED June 25, 2007  
NORTH HAMPTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
Minutes of May 4, 2007 Meeting

Chairwoman Creighton called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. Also present were selectmen Gould and Salomon.

The first order of business concerned the awarding of the paving contract. On the recommendation of Road Agent Strout, and on motion of Mr. Salomon, seconded by Mr. Gould, it was unanimously voted to award the contract to Pike Industries which was the low bidder.

Next there was discussion about the recent site walk of the Cherry Road recycling and brush dump facility. After discussion about clean up and after hours access, the Board decided to await the report of the Town Administrator before developing a specific plan of action.

The Board next took up consideration of the Job Description for the Full Time Town Administrator. Chairwoman Creighton has collected the comments of the Board members to the initial draft prepared by Mr. Munck and will seek additional comments from the Planning Board and Budget Committee. She will endeavor to have a final draft ready for consideration by our next meeting on May 14.

Next, Mr. Gould reported that he had reviewed the proposals of the three bidders for the Fire Department assessment study. The Chair and Selectman Salomon will also review the proposals as will Chief Lambert who was present and was supplied with copies of the proposals at the meeting. The matter will be on the agenda for our meeting on May 14.

Next, the Board discussed education funding issues and, specifically, what the Board's position should be concerning the Governor's proposal for a constitutional amendment to permit targeted aid. After substantial discussion, it became clear that the Board remains concerned about funding issues and the attendant possibility for a return to donor town status. The Board authorized Chairwoman Creighton to draft a letter to Pat Remick (Coalition Communities) expressing the Board's concern that the proposed amendment as drafted does not adequately address the funding issues and making clear that funding is a State issue and should not be accomplished by way of a property tax.

Due to a prior business commitment, Mr. Salomon was required to excuse himself at 10:00 AM.

The Board next acknowledged receipt of a letter from the Firefighters union requesting the opening of negotiations for a new collective bargaining agreement.

Police Chief Page reported receipt of a \$1,000 grant to our DARE program from Wall Mart and requested Board approval of direct deposit of this amount into the DARE fund rather than into the General Fund. The Board indicated its agreement with this procedure so long as the Treasurer approves.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote after the motion of Mr. Gould, Seconded by Chairwoman Creighton.

Respectfully submitted

Donald B. Gould, Acting Secretary