



TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
SELECT BOARD
MINUTES APPROVED 9/9/10

REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2010 7:00 PM
MARY B. HERBERT CONFERENCE ROOM

These minutes were prepared as a reasonable summary of the essential content of this meeting, not as a transcription.

1. Call to Order & Call of the Roll

Chair Wollmar called the meeting to order at 7:28 P.M. Those present were Selectman Rineman, Selectman Maggiore and Town Administrator Fournier.

Chair Wollmar invited those in attendance to join in saluting the flag.

2. Non-Public Session – 6:00 PM in the Executive Conference Room 2nd Floor, pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a, c)

Motion by Chair Maggiore to seal the minutes of the non-public session. Seconded by Selectman Rineman. Motion carries 3-0.

3. Consent Calendar¹

No items

4. New Business

4.1 Approval of National Incident Management System – Fire Chief Dennis Cote

Selectman Maggiore asked who the second in command would be if the Fire Chief was not available. Town Administrator Fournier stated that the Police Chief is the deputy emergency management director.

Motion by Selectman Maggiore to adopt the National Incident Management System as the basis for incident management in the Town of North Hampton. Seconded by Selectman Rineman. Motion carries 3-0.

4.2 Approval of Storm Windows at the Town Hall

Town Administrator Fournier stated that during the renovations of the Town Hall it was determined that in order to have the building more energy efficient, storm windows should be installed. The Building Inspector received a price of \$2,500 to install the windows.

THIS LOCATION IS HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE. THOSE WISHING TO ATTEND WHO ARE HEARING OR VISION IMPAIRED MAY MAKE THEIR NEEDS KNOWN BY CONTACTING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AT THE TOWN OFFICES 964-8087

¹ These items are routine in nature and are approved without discussion. Should a member of the Board request to have an item removed, it shall be placed on the agenda under new business. The consent format is to expedite the business of the Board when adequate backup material has been provided.

Motion by Chair Wollmar to authorize the purchase and installation of storm windows for the Town Hall not to exceed \$2,500. Seconded by Selectman Maggiore for discussion. Selectman Maggiore asked if there were enough funds available, and Town Administrator Fournier stated that there were. Motion carries 3-0.

5. Items Laid on the Table²

5.1 Bandstand Use Policy

6. Town Administrator's Report

Town Administrator Fournier asked the Select Board to approve an increase in the wages for the employees at the transfer station by 4%, or .60 cents per hour, from \$14 to \$14.60.

Motion by Selectman Maggiore to approve the increase in wages by .60 per hour from \$14 to \$14.60 for the employees at the transfer station. Seconded by Chair Wollmar. Motion carries 3-0.

Town Administrator Fournier stated that he had an abatement application for Map 021, Lot 001 Greystone Village, LLC and the amount is for \$7,271.86 plus applicable interest, and would reduce the assessment from \$1,502,200 to \$1,000,000.

Motion by Selectman Rineman to approve the abatement for Map 021, Lot 001 Greystone Village LLC in the amount of \$7,271.86 plus applicable interest, and to reduce the assessment from \$1,502,200 to \$1,000,000. Seconded by Selectman Maggiore. Motion carries 3-0.

Town Administrator Fournier stated that the MS-1 form is due with the Department of Revenue on September 1, but due to a delay in the state providing information on the utility values to the town the form will not be in by September 1, and asked that the Select Board sign an extension to give the town until September 30.

Motion by Selectman Maggiore to sign the extension for the MS-1 until September 30. Seconded by Selectman Rineman. Motion carries 3-0.

Town Administrator Fournier reported on the following items:

The renovations at the Town Hall have been substantially completed. The railings are installed on the handicapped accessibility ramp, the electricians are finishing up their work, as well as the contractors. The Town Hall will be available for the September 14, 2010 Primary Election.

The Director of Public Works is working on lining the parking areas for the Town Hall. This will clearly delineate the handicapped parking space as well as up to five additional parking spaces in the area.

The Cable Station Manager is working to install the microphones and cameras in the Town Hall. The cable advisory committee voted at their August 19 meeting to recommend moving the robotic cameras from the North Hampton School Music Room to the Town Hall, and move the stationary cameras that are in the Mary Herbert Room to the Music Room. This will be done shortly. This should be the last Select Board meeting in the Mary Herbert Room.

² Items laid on the table shall remain on the table until a member of the Select Board makes a motion to remove such item from the table.

Town Administrator Fournier thanked Red Mabey and John Hubbard and his Public Works crew for going above and beyond their duties in helping to renovate the Town Hall. A substantial amount of money was saved by having them do most of the demolition work as well as having Red re install the windows. The total would have been over \$200,000 if not for their help.

The Department of Revenue Administration informed the Town that they had to disallow the changing of the purpose of the Accrued Benefits Capital Reserve Fund. Warrant Article 15 proposed changing the purpose to allow the town to use these funds to buy back an employee's earned time anytime during their career, not just at the end of service. The DRA reviews all articles prior to placing them on the warrant to ensure that they are legal, and they admitted to making a mistake that when they were reviewing the article they did not make us aware that the article requires a 2/3 vote, not just a simple majority. After reviewing the situation further, I determined that we cannot have a procedural defect hearing, since the article did not pass by a 2/3 vote.

This may affect the operating budget. Employees are allowed to purchase back their earned time, and now instead of using the fund that we set up to do this, we will have to use the operating budget.

The Towns of North Hampton, Hampton and Rye, and SAU 50 have entered into a 4-month agreement to purchase electricity at a reduced rate of \$0.797/kwh versus \$0.0896/kwh. This will provide the town with some savings in its electrical purchasing. We decided to do a short term agreement to make sure this works out. A meeting will be held in September to review contracts again.

The Town Administrator reported that he had been in contact with the State DOT informing them that the Select Board supported keeping the no parking signs in the area adjacent to the Beach Plum. They stated that they will move the signs to the front of that area as well as review possible planting to make it less inviting for people to park there.

The perambulation of the town lines with Hampton has been completed and a final report has been done by the Town of Hampton.

The Friends of North Hampton Beach held a cleanup of the North Hampton State Beach on August 21, 2010. Volunteers worked for an hour and a half and collected 38 pounds of trash. Bob Lee of The Beach Plumb provided refreshments. The next clean up is scheduled for September 25, as part of the International Coastal Clean Up Day. For more information or to volunteer you may call Amy Kane.

7. Minutes

7.1. Regular Meeting August 9, 2010

Motion by Selectman Maggiore to accept the minutes of August 9, 2010. Seconded by Chair Wollmar. Motion carries 3-0.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Selectman Maggiore to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Chair Wollmar. Motion carries 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet L. Facella
Administrative Assistant