

# TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE SELECT BOARD APPROVED MINUTES

# REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2010 –7PM TOWN HALL

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

## 1. Non-Public Session Pursuant to RSA 91:A-3 II (b) 6:00 PM

## 2. Call to order

Chair Wollmar called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Those present were Selectman Rineman, Selectman Maggiore and Town Administrator Stephen Fournier.

The Chair invited those in attendance to join the Select Board in saluting the flag.

Motion by Selectman Maggiore to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session. Seconded by Chair Wollmar. Motion carries 3-0.

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings Regular Meeting October 12, 2010

Motion by Selectman Maggiore to accept the minutes of the October 12, 2010 meeting. Seconded by Selectman Rineman. Motion carries 3-0.

## 4. Consent Calendar

Motion by Selectman Maggiore to approve the Consent Calendar. Seconded by Selectman Rineman. Motion carries 3-0.

# 5. Public Hearings

No items

Chair Wollmar stated that he would like to have on the next Select Board agenda, that there will be a hearing on the proposal by the Conservation Commission.

6. Communications to the Select Board

No items

7. Report of the Town Administrator

Town Administrator Fournier reported on the FY2012 guaranteed maximum health insurance rate increase of 18.8%, and advised the Select Board that the Administrative Assistant and the Town Accountant are working to secure bids from other sources.

An acoustic expert came into the Town Hall and quoted a cost of \$3,640 to install acoustic panels on the walls.

Town Administrator Fournier reviewed figures reported on the Revised Estimated Year End Revenues (MS-4) and the End of Fiscal Year Financial Report (MS-5) that are used for determining the tax rate. It is estimated that the Town will collect \$1,551,275 in revenues by June 30, 2011. This figure represents a reduction of \$130,780. Town Administrator Fournier suggested that \$450,000 be used from fund balance to help lower the tax rate.

#### 8. New Business

8.1 Acceptance of Lease/Purchase Agreement for One Ton Plow Truck for the Public Works Department

Public Works Director, John Hubbard briefed the Select Board on his request to replace the 2003 plow truck with a 2011 plow truck. Mr. Hubbard further stated that this Warrant Article in the amount of \$60,000 had been approved by the voters at the last town meeting. An initial payment of \$9,870.60 in FY2011 with an four equal payments of \$9,870.60 during the next four years.

Selectman Maggiore asked Mr. Hubbard why there was a big difference between the bid from Grappone Ford and Hampton Ford. Mr. Hubbard stated that Grappone Ford deals in volume, and they deal specifically with municipal and commercial sales.

Town Administrator Fournier stated that for those watching Channel 22 at home, he wanted to affirm that the price from Grappone Ford came in at \$42,955 and the price from Hampton Ford came in at \$54,240.

Selectman Rineman stated that he would like to thank Mr. Hubbard for doing the research and saving the town over \$10,000 off of the amount of money that could have been spent.

Motion by Selectman Rineman to accept the terms of the lease/purchase agreement with Grappone Ford, and to authorize the Town Administrator to execute a lease purchase agreement for that purpose. Seconded by Chair Wollmar. Motion carries 3-0.

#### 9. Unfinished Business

No items

#### **10. Items Laid on the Table**

**Town Facilities Policy** 

Town Administrator Fournier stated that this policy will be ready for the next Select Board meeting, and that the Fire Chief had requested to add a few paragraphs regarding fire safety issues.

#### **11. Closing Comments**

11.1. Closing Comments by Visitors

11.2. Closing Comments by Select Board Member

Selectman Maggiore stated that he wanted to compliment the Recreation Director Diane Wheeler for her efforts with the scarecrow contest, and he further stated how fun it is to drive down Route One and see all of the different scarecrows, and it is also great to see the town spirit.

# 12. Adjournment

Motion by Selectman Rineman to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM. Seconded by Chair Wollmar. Motion carries 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet L. Facella