



TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SELECT BOARD

APPROVED MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – MONDAY, JANUARY 24, 2011 – 7PM

TOWN HALL

1. Non-Public Session Pursuant to RSA 91:A-3 II (a) (c) 6:45 PM

2. Call to order

Chair Wollmar called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance were Selectman Jon Rineman, Selectman Jim Maggiore and Town Administrator Steve Fournier.

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

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Regular Meeting January 10, 2011

Motion by Selectman Rineman to approve the minutes from the January 10, 2011 meeting. Seconded by Selectman Maggiore. Motion carries 3-0.

4. Report of the Town Administrator

Town Administrator Fournier stated that he and the Fire Chief have been continuing to monitor the situation with Anthem and Exeter Hospital negotiations. He further stated that emergency room visits would not be impacted, and that he would be meeting with a representative from the Exeter Hospital.

The Town's budget was presented to the Municipal Budget committee on Tuesday, January 18. The Town's revaluation to be conducted in 2013 was discussed, and the committee suggested that the Select Board set up a Capital Reserve fund in order to lessen the impact on the budget in that year. Initial estimates would be \$80,000 for an update only, and \$157,000 to measure and list every home.

Town Administrator Fournier asked that the Select Board as well as other boards and commissions be aware of the Right to Know Law and its relationship with Social Media Websites. Members should be aware that commenting about town business via these sites do not reflect the opinion of a committee, and boards and committees should be aware that a majority of a committee commenting on town business via one of these websites is a violation of the Right to Know Law, just like discussing town business via email.

Town Administrator Fournier updated the Select Board on the Evergreen Clause and informed them that the State Senate passed the repeal of the Evergreen Clause on January 19 by a vote of 19-5. This bill will now go onto the House for its approval.

5. New Business

5.1 Approval of Proposal to Update the Heating and Cooling Zones in the Police Department

The Police Department has had a number of issues with its heating and cooling system, with one of the largest issues being the location of the thermostats and fluctuating temperatures. Lamprey Brothers is proposing to remove two old zone dampers to increase air flow and also to add an additional duct to the Detective's office, with a price not to exceed \$1,650, with the monies to come from the current operating budget.

Motion by Selectman Maggiore to accept the proposal from Lamprey Brothers to update the heating and cooling system in the Police Department with the cost not to exceed \$1,650, and to authorize the Town Administrator to execute the agreement. Seconded by Chair Wollmar. Motion carries 3-0.

5.2 Approval of Default Budget

Town Administrator Fournier explained to the Select Board that the default budget is actually higher than the proposed because there were very few onetime expenditures last year and the default budget is arrived at by using the previous year's budget and reducing it by any onetime expenditures then increase it by any contractual obligations.

Motion by Selectman Maggiore to accept the default budget in the amount of \$5,690,976 which is an increase of \$68,608 over last year's budget. Seconded by Selectman Rineman. Motion carries 3-0.

6. Closing Comments

6.1. Closing Comments by Visitors

6.2. Closing Comments by Select Board Member

7. Adjournment

Chair Wollmar adjourned the meeting at 7:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Janet L. Facella
Administrative Assistant**