

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

# OCTOBER 15, 2014 –12PM TOWN OFFICES EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM 233 ATLANTIC AVENUE

# 1. Call to Order

Chair Maggiore called the meeting to order at 12:07 PM. Those in attendance were Selectman Miller, Selectman Stanton, Town Administrator Apple and Public Works Director Hubbard.

## 2. First Public Comment Session

Public Comment is an opportunity for residents to ask questions, request information and make comments on issues facing the Town. Individuals ordinarily will be given not more than three (3) minutes to speak, and people who have already spoken will be asked to wait until everyone has had the chance to speak once. The total time devoted to this agenda item is fifteen (15) minutes. Individuals who are not able to speak will be given first opportunity to speak during the Second Public Comment Session at the end of the Meeting.

#### 3. New Business

### 3.1 Discussion of Public Works Budget

The Select Board discussed the current work being done at the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's offices. The project seems to be at a standstill due to concerns the Heritage Commission is having with renovations. Town Administrator Apple stated public buildings must be made accessible to the public, and encouraged the Select Board to help resolve the current conundrum.

Chair Maggiore stated there was a Heritage Commission meeting on October 16, 2014 and he would speak to the members about the work that has to be done and that will be done.

Discussion ensued regarding the 20% to 24% GMR (Guaranteed Maximum Rate) of health and dental insurance that was received from the HealthTrust.

The Select Board spoke with Public Works Director John Hubbard regarding his proposed budget. Of particular concern is the MS-4 permitting requirements and compliance that may or may not come into play during the next budget cycle depending upon what happens at the federal government level.

The Select Board discussed what amount should be budgeted as this is a federal mandate and if all of the funds are not expended, it will go back in the fund balance.

The snowplowing expense line was discussed with Director Hubbard explaining the increase of \$3,000 is necessary due to overages the past several years and the anticipation of another tough winter.

The Select Board agreed to increase the street light budget to \$24,000 as that account has been overspent in recent years as well.

Discussion ensued about the upcoming waste disposal contract renewal. Director Hubbard stated he would like to invite Selectman Craig Musselman from the Town of Rye to a Select Board meeting to speak to the Select Board and update the board with information regarding the contract renewal.

Selectman Stanton stated he felt it was important for Waste Management to offer Senior Citizens a discount. Director Hubbard stated if the board sat down and talked to them, they would be amendable.

## 4. Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board

The Board reserves the right to take action on any item relative to the prudential administration of the Town's affairs which circumstances may require.

Chair Maggiore stated he had received a phone call from Lisa Martin, President of the North Hampton Youth Association who stated that LOCO Sports would not be donating any more money to their organization. Because of this, repairs and maintenance that the NHYA relied on would now be left to the town to take over. Chair Maggiore asked Ms. Martin to present the Select Board with a list of items that needed to be taken care of at Dearborn Park.

The Select Board discussed asking the Library Trustees to meet with them regarding their proposed budget. Town Administrator Apple stated he would extend an invitation.

Selectman Stanton stated he would like to see a discussion of the Fire Department apparatus on the next agenda.

RFP's for a cell tower proposal were discussed and authorization given to Town Administrator Apple to proceed.

Selectman Stanton discussed putting \$600,000 into the Building Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund in case the new campus did not pass. He stated there are repairs that have to be done if the campus fails and it would be prudent to plan for it.

#### 5. Second Public Comment Session

See Item 2, <u>above</u>.

The Select Board adjourned the meeting at 1:30 PM.