



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

OCTOBER 29, 2014 –12PM
TOWN OFFICES EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
233 ATLANTIC AVENUE

1. Call to Order

Chair Maggiore called the meeting to order at 12:10 PM. Those in attendance were Selectman Miller, Selectman Stanton, Town Administrator Apple, Public Works Director Hubbard, Police Chief/Public Safety Director Page and Rye Town Selectman Craig Musselman.

Town Administrator Apple stated the MS-5 had been completed by the auditors and the Select Board needed to sign as this is the final piece the Department of Revenue Administration needed to set the town tax rate.

Motion by Selectman Stanton to accept the MS-5 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Motion carries 3-0.

Craig Musselman, Selectman, Town of Rye ,discussed at length the options and possibilities for the upcoming waste disposal negotiations.

The Select Board asked Mr. Musselman if the Town of Rye would be agreeable to let the Town of North Hampton share its transfer station. Mr. Musselman stated he would take the question back to the board, but that he anticipated the answer to be no.

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.

No comments

3. New Business

3.1 Discussion of FY 2015/2016 Operating Budget

Discussion ensued regarding whether to keep the Mosquito Control Fund or move it to a line item in the operating budget. Also discussed were proposed amounts to the Earned Time Liability fund and the Health Care Stabilization fund.

Selectman Stanton suggested lowering Heritage Commission budget to \$100, as they have \$4000 in account with no plans on the horizon. Chair Maggiore stated they are planning on doing a survey which is quite costly.

Motion by Selectman Miller to present an operating budget to the Budget Committee for FY15/16 of \$6,455,866, and a default budget of \$6,381,805. Seconded by Selectman Stanton. Motion carries 3-0.

Selectman Stanton stated he after listening to the community, it has come to his attention that residents are not in favor of two warrant articles for the Safety Complex and Library/Town Offices. He further stated it appears as though there is currently no school support with two warrant articles, and without them the articles will not pass.

Chair Maggiore stated he has had numerous phone calls, and had a recent conversation with a resident stating that the Select Board are not leading the town at this time. He further stated he has been told that the issue of two warrant articles is dividing the town.

Motion by Selectman Stanton to reconsider the vote on the two warrant article approach to the town municipal campus. Seconded by Chair Maggiore. Motion carries 3-0.

Motion by Selectman Stanton to acknowledge that there is significant voter sentiment for a single warrant article therefore move to reconsider the renovation of the municipal safety complex and a new library from two warrant articles to a single warrant article. Seconded by Selectman Miller for discussion. Motion carries 3-0.

The Select Board agreed to present the same design that was developed last year.

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.

Chief/Public Safety Director Page stated he had completed a background on a potential firefighter and would like to Select Board's permission to hire him and put him right into a shift.

Motion by Selectman Stanton to appoint Matthew Greene to the position of firefighter for the Town of North Hampton effective immediately. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Motion carries 3-0.

5. Second Public Comment Session

See Item 2, above.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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