



TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
**SELECT BOARD**  
**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**APPROVED MINUTES**

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OCTOBER 5, 2015 -7PM  
NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL  
231 ATLANTIC AVENUE

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**1. Call To Order**

Chair Maggiore called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Those in attendance were Selectman Miller, Selectman Stanton and Town Administrator Apple.

Chair Maggiore asked for a moment of silence in honor of Officer Peter Cormier who had passed away over the weekend.

**Motion by Selectman Stanton that on Sunday the United States Flag was flown at half-staff nationally to recognize the fallen firefighters memorial service, but we also lowered it to honor Officer Cormier. Although not in strict accordance with the national flag code, we the Town of North Hampton shall lower the United States Flag on all town properties to half-staff until Officer Cormier is laid to rest. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Motion carries 3-0.**

**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 during the First Public Comment Session will be given first opportunity to speak during the Second Public Comment Session at the end of the Meeting.

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### 3. Public Hearing

#### 3.1 Recommendations of the Fifth Municipal Facilities Committee

Chair Maggiore stated the purpose of the Public Hearing is to allow residents the chance to speak about the plan that was presented by the Fifth Municipal Facilities Committee. He further stated once the Public Hearing is closed, the Select Board would then deliberate. Once a motion and a second has been made, no additional discussion will be allowed by members of the public.

Chair Maggiore opened the Public Hearing at 7:12 PM.

Town Administrator Apple summarized where the campus project stood now.

George Chauncey, 28 Hobbs Road stated his suggested modifications of "Plan A" and suggested letting the library go off on their own so they can start their fundraising. Mr. Chauncey went over his suggested phases of the project.

Paul Marquis, 24 Hobbs Road commented on the proposed plan and gave his suggestions on saving the library rather than tearing it down as well as his thoughts on records storage.

Peter Robie, 87 Exeter Road stated he was a member of the Fifth Municipal Facilities Committee and they had fulfilled their charge given by the Select Board. He further stated his committee offered an alternate plan but he had abstained from voting because he believes the Public Safety Building needs to go on the Homestead Property purely for safety reasons.

Deb Sillay, 218 Atlantic Avenue questioned why the library has to raise 50 percent of the funds.

Sandy Dewing, Walnut Avenue suggested a warrant article asking the question as to whether or not the library should go on the homestead or not.

Tom McCarthy, Atlantic Avenue asked how many times per year the jail cells are used, why the need for a sallyport and how many times prisoners are brought directly to Rockingham County Jail. Mr. McCarthy also spoke about records storage, and fire station.

Paul Cuetara, Winnicut Road spoke about the current library and at the time allowed to work as a partner in the fundraising. There seems to be a sentiment to replicate that process that took place 50 years ago.

Lauri Etela, 75 Exeter Road stated he wanted to clarify the alternate plan was not the "Etela Plan." He stated it was an attempt to come up with something that cost less and took less time. Mr. Etela further stated he also abstained from the vote primarily because of safety.

Kathy Grant, 66 Lovering Road stated she agreed with Mr. Robie and Mr. Etela's sentiments that the public safety building should be built on the homestead property.

Tamara Saal, Hampshire Drive asked if any entrances or exits were planned for Alden Road, and asked why all of the parking was in the rear of the building.

Ron Lamarre spoke to the questions on parking in the constraints on space in the front of the building.

Carolyn Brown stated she agreed with the George Chauncey and the fire station should go first as they save people's lives.

Town Administrator Apple read emails from residents that could not attend the Public Hearing. Kendall Chevalier Atlantic Avenue asked why a floor plan wasn't done for the Chauncey Plan.

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.

5. **Second Public Comment Session**

See Item 2, above.

6. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 PM.