

TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE SELECT BOARD MINUTES MAY 18, 2016 REGULAR MEETING 7 PM TOWN HALL

NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL 231 ATLANTIC AVENUE

1. Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

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

Chair Maggiore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Maggiore acknowledged the Town's sadness at the passing of Firefighter Kyle Jameson who lost his battle to cancer.

Chair Maggiore also asked to keep Town Administrator Paul Apple in their thoughts and prayers at the passing of his mother.

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.

There were no comments from the public.

3. Consent Calendar

- 3.1 Payroll Manifest of 05/12/2016 in the amount of \$169,2018.15
- 3.2 Religious/Charitable/Educational Exemptions
- 3.3 Timber Cut Yield Tax
- 3.4 Notice of Intent to Cut Wood or Timber
- 3.5 Elderly Exemption Application

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

4. Communication to the Select Board

4.1 Correspondence from Hamptons Post 35Chair Maggiore read communication from Post 35 detailing the events for Memorial Day.

5. <u>Committee Updates</u>

Selectman Stanton stated the next Budget Committee meeting would be on August 1, 2016 at 7:00 PM.

Chair Maggiore updated the board on new procedures for handling Barn Easements.

6. <u>Report of the Town Administrator</u>

6.1 General Report

Acting Town Administrator Page stated he held a staff meeting and finances are on pace for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

Mr. Page stated he was currently working on employee evaluations that will be due in early June.

Mr. Page stated Hazardous Mitigation Committee meeting will begin in early June and historical structures are added to the plan. Mr. Jeff Hillier from the Heritage Commission will be on the committee.

(Chair Maggiore moved item 7.5 up to item 7.1 on the agenda.)

7. <u>New Business</u>

7.1 Discussion of Recreational Uses of the Homestead Property

Acting Town Administrator Page stated an anonymous donor has given the town a generous donation to make a small playground on the "homestead property."

Mr. Page explained that Jan Facella and Jim O'Hara were looking for permission to use the location and once the funds are received, to order a playground and begin the site preparation.

Selectman Stanton suggested placing a sign noting to "play at your own risk."

The Select Board stated they were in consensus, and to proceed with the project.

7.2 Discussion of Town Hall Generator

Acting Town Administrator Page presented the Select Board with three bids obtained from Monarch Electrical Services, The Generator Connection, and Powers Guaranteed Generator.

Mr. Page explained the bids received were to provide a generator base pad, an automatic transfer switch with proper wiring to enable the generator to provide power during a power outage. The scope of the work also requires the winning bidder to run the gas line(s) from the propane supply on the east side of the town hall to the generator through the proper gas regulator.

Mr. Page recommended the bid received from The Generator Connection of Barrington, New Hampshire. He further explained as well as being the lowest bidder, they have offered one free annual service.

Motion by Selectman Stanton to acquire 20Kw Kohler generator for the Town Hall through the Generator Connection of Barrington, New Hampshire not to exceed \$9,850. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Motion carries 3-0.

7.3 Discussion of 911 - Chief Tully

Chief Tully introduced the town's 911 liaison, Jeannie Cadarotte. Ms. Cadarotte stated she works with Firefighter Angelo Puglisi to ensure all maps and addresses for the town are accurate. Ms. Cadorette explained the accuracy is top priority so that emergency services reach the individual (s) during an emergency.

The Select Board had questions about the renumbering of businesses on Lafayette Road and the costs that businesses would incur.

7.4 Coakley Landfill – Peter Philbrook

Chair Maggiore stated testing will be done for the possibility of chemicals leaking from the Coakley Landfill and contaminating surrounding wells.

Peter Philbrook of Walnut Avenue stated although he works for the Environmental Protection Agency his views are strictly that as a resident.

Mr. Philbrook explained the Clean Water Act states wells must be tested every five years for emerging contaminants. Aquarion Water has tested each of the eight wells twice. The results show a very small amount of PFO's detected. He further stated testing through the United States of 35,000 wells, 91 showed a small detection of PFO's. For more information http://www.epa.gov/dwucmr/third-unregulated-contaminant-monitoring-rule.

Mr. Philbrook stated the public needs to be aware if they are drinking water from Aquarion, testing is being done on a regular basis.

Carl McMorin of Aquarion Water stated they received a lot of phone calls on water quality, and there currently is no data showing any problems with PFC's. Follow up testing will continue.

7.5 Meet with Finance Director, Ryan Cornwell re: North Hampton Forever

Finance Director Cornwell spoke to the footnote from the 2015 financial statement. He proceeded to explain the deficit in the North Hampton Forever fund, and once again explained it is a matter of taking the money from one "bucket" and placing it in another "bucket," however a warrant article will be necessary on the March ballot in order to accomplish this.

Phil Wilson, Runnymede Drive offered his recollection of the transactions with North Hampton Forever noting everything thing was done correctly and there was no over expenditures on any of the properties acquired.

(Chair Maggiore moved item 7.4 up to item 7.2 on the agenda.)

8. Minutes of Prior Meetings

8.1 Minutes of May 9, 2016 Motion by Selectman Stanton to approve the May 9, 2016 minutes as presented. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Motion carries 3-0.

9. 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.

Selectman Stanton reminded everyone that Monday, May 30, 2016 was Memorial Day and a parade and services would begin at 10:00 AM in North Hampton.

10. Second Public Comment Session

See Item 2, <u>above</u>. *No comments from the public.*

11. Adjournment

Chair Maggiore adjourned the meeting at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet L. Facella