

May 6, 2019

6:30 PM Non-public Session RSA 91-A:3,II(e)

PRESENT: Jim Waddell, Vice-chairman
Rusty Bridle, Selectman
Regina Barnes, Selectman
Mary-Louise Woolsey, Selectman
Frederick Welch, Town Manager

ABSENT: Rick Griffin, Chairman

On MOTION of Selectman Woolsey, SECONDED by Selectman Bridle voted unanimously by roll call (4-0) to go into a non-public session at 6:30 PM under RSA 91-A:3,II(e) Litigation.

VOTE: 4-0-0

PRESENT: same as above, except that Chris Jacobs and Jennifer hale departed at 6:45 PM.

Selectman Barnes departed at approximately 6:53 PM per her recusal on the last item taken up.

[Minutes Sealed]

At 6:55 PM, a MOTION was made by Selectman Woolsey, SECONDED by Selectman Bridle to leave the non-public session, which was approved unanimously (3-0).

At approximately 6:56 PM, back in Public Session, Selectman Bridle moved to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session, SECONDED by Selectman Woolsey on the basis that disclosure of these minutes could jeopardize the actions to be taken and affect reputations.

This motion to seal the minutes passed unanimously (3-0) by roll call vote.

At 6:57 PM, the Selectmen adjourned the Public Session on MOTION of Selectman Bridle, SECONDED by Selectman Woolsey, which passed unanimously (3-0).

7:00 PM Public Meeting

PRESENT: Jim Waddell, Vice-chairman
Rusty Bridle, Selectman
Regina Barnes, Selectman
Mary-Louise Woolsey, Selectman
Frederick Welch, Town Manager

ABSENT: Rick Griffin, Chairman

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

I. Appointment of Justin A. Cutting as probationary Deputy Fire Chief

Town Clerk Doheny swore in Justin A. Cutting as probationary Deputy Fire Chief

II. Appointment of Matthew M. Brillard as a probationary Fire Fighter

Town Clerk Doheny swore in Matthew M. Brillard as a probationary Fire Fighter

5-Minute Break

III. Public Comment

Brian Warburton, 24 Sanborn Road: 5-6 of us had tears in their eyes tonight; Justin Cutting most ethical professional employee this Town has ever had. Mrs. Woolsey very proud as well; 1996 swore in Justin Cutting; he was chosen and appointed to the Executive Branch Ethics Committee for the State of NH; look to him for guidance; congratulate Matt Brillard; great night for this Town.

Jay Denier, 206 Woodland Road: Seabrook/Hampton Estuary Alliance; Hazard Mitigation Grant Funding; next Monday, May 13, 2019 at the Hampton Beach Fire Station at 7:00PM hosting a flood smart roundtable; informal introduction to the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program; space is limited.

IV. Announcements and Community Calendar

Selectman Woolsey: thank Fred for making sure we have that second set of sliding doors

Selectman Barnes: many meetings coming up; May 9 Aquarion is picking their Environmental Champions; Seacoast Rotary Club meeting on May 9 at the old chamber office of Lafayette; May 20th we have a 7PM meeting, but also SAU Diversity session meeting and I want to attend and have an excused absence; May 26th is the State Parks meeting at 5:00; double check the Hampton website.

Selectman Bridle: passing of Tom Doyle; he was on the Planning Board for a number of years; served this Town well; sad to hear of his passing.

V. Approval of Minutes

1. April 15, 2019 Public and Non-public Sessions

Selectman Barnes: would like to postpone the vote until next meeting

Selectman Woolsey: did not vote to approve the non-public minutes of April 8th; annual review.

Vice-chairman Waddell: hold off as we have not received them yet.

2. April 22, 2019 Public and Non-public Sessions

Selectman Barnes: will do April 8th non-public; April 15, 2019 Public and Non-public; and April 22, 2019 Public and Non-public next meeting.

VI. Consent Agenda

1. 2019 Veterans Credits and Exemptions: Renewals: Gough, Constance C. Revocable Trust, Grant, Donna L. Revocable Trust, Dickinson, Family Revocable Trust, Dinatale, Domenic & Janet, Liebman, Candace J., Price, Lorraine M., Watson, Anthony J.; New: Fischer, Gloria, Michel, Barbara
2. 2019 Elderly Credits: Renewals: Altavesta, Ronald & Lorraine, Bevan, Gail G. Revocable Trust, Dargie, Christine G., Martin, Aurele & Beverly, Matheney, Eva R., McLaren, Family Revocable Trust, Michel, Barbara J., Brindamour, Mary, Caruso, Yvonne, Colman, Deborah, Corcoran, Elaine M. Trust, Kellicker, Patricia A. & Thomas F., Liebman, Candace, MacLeod, Barbara, Murray, Mary, Pierce, Diane, Precourt, Jane A. & Mark W., Provencher, Jean G., Raymond, Theresa A. & Raymond A., Scaturro, Irene
3. 2019 Disabled Tax Credits: Renewal: Boissonneault, Susan; New: Nowak, Janet M.
4. Entertainment Licenses & Posted Permits: Sea Ketch Restaurant, Casino Ballroom
5. Parade and Public Gathering License: Reach the Beach Relay
6. Use of Town Property: Ashworth Avenue Parking Lot Reach the Beach Relay
7. Raffle Permit: Hampton Firefighters Charitable Org, Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce
8. Taxi Licenses: Abba Taxi License Diane Bushe; Abba Operator Licenses: Ricky Bushe, Paula Himmer, John D'Entremont, Alison Dow

Selectman Woolsey MOVED to APPROVE the Consent Agenda SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

VII. Appointments

1. Chief Ayotte, Fire Department
 - a. Quarterly update

Chief Ayotte: 3% higher on fire calls; 7% higher on patient contacts; 1,262 calls for service since the beginning of the year; responded to mutual aid 8 times; requested mutual aid 20 times; 642 patient contacts; 431 patient transports; 10 for overdose; decline in drug overdoses; 2 obsolete stretchers were donated to New England Dragway; CPR; First Aid and Stop the Bleed; Rescue Task Force Training will be completed on May 11; working with HPD; send firefighters to paramedic school; fire prevention performed 73 inspections; 51 permits; collected \$1,902.55 in fees; seasonal inspections; communication division; Kathy Leavitt was the recipient for the NE Emergency Dispatcher Association Tele-communicator of the Year Award; fire alarm operators answered 4,745 calls; ambulance 3 ready this week; waiting to hear from FEMA for firefighters grant; radios; went to Maryland for grant workshop; training in new software.

Selectman Barnes: do you think the workshop will be helpful with grants for the fire department. Chief Ayotte: yes; read some from around the US; great education; a lot of departments are in very difficult circumstances.

Selectman Barnes: Narcan distribution down; SOS recovery center. Chief Ayotte: the SOS is to assist people who are in recovery; seeking jobs; get people back into the work force.

Selectman Woolsey: great report; get 2 paramedics into paramedic school; cannot let education lab because of promotions; concerned about getting qualified people

Selectman Woolsey MOTIONED to ALLOW 2 firefighters go to paramedic school

Selectman Woolsey: you are going to give this to the Budget Committee. Chief Ayotte: yes.

Vice-chairman Waddell: down 75% for overdoses; that is not the case nationally, aren't they up. Chief Ayotte: use of Narcan is up; Lowell, MA saw decline; monitoring the situation; not sure Statewide level has seen the same decline.

Vice-chairman Waddell: paramedics not applying for the fire service. Chief Ayotte: 2 applied in the last process; process for firefighter must obtain a certain certification; need some form of EMS.

Vice-chairman Waddell: were you prepared tonight to request. Chief Ayotte: not my goal tonight; \$10,500 is the tuition and costs associated with OT; stethoscope and books.

Town Manager Welch: we have the funds to cover.

Vice-chairman Waddell: are you requesting that. Chief Ayotte: would like to give you the anticipated number before moving forward; I will calculate that and get it to you; not going to be able to get anybody in until November 2019; the application process will not be opening up until midsummer.

Selectman Woolsey: we have to move.

Vice-chairman Waddell: he said we have time.

Selectman Barnes: it was just recommended by the Chief and he would like to give us an estimate.

b. Six-year plan

Chief Ayotte: using previous 6-year history; continued growth; 1.4 million square feet of new buildings; residential neighborhoods; 6 new streets since 2012; 128 new homes constructed; new condominium complexes; 292 condos in the past 6 years; new plan 46 new condos; multi-story multi-family units; minimum staffing of 9; getting to 10 per shift; staffing major component; adequate staffing; bolster fire prevention bureau; fire prevention secretary full-time; add back the fire inspector position; changes in buildings; vertical growth; power ladder; training to keep skills current; proper training; radio infrastructure with HPD and DPW; grants; submitted CIP plan.

Selectman Woolsey: Budget Committee should have this information and also the Planning Board; turnout gear.

Selectman Barnes: 6-year plan very good; addressing staffing issues going up to 10; more people in the community have access, will benefit; ladder trucks; personnel to operate the truck. Chief Ayotte: there is one in Portsmouth and one in Seabrook; ladders offer platform to work from; perform rescues and roof operations.

Selectman Barnes: do you have a cost estimate for one of these trucks. Chief Ayotte: \$1.3M; a lot of different vendors and plans; 5-year payment plan; 7-year payment plan.

Selectman Bridle: good report; good plan.

Vice-chairman Waddell: talk about the increase in buildings, how much increase in staff have you had. Chief Ayotte: 0.

Vice-chairman Waddell: since when. Chief Ayotte: 2002; 4 firefighters were hired; 4 firefighters were reduced in staff/layoffs; return brought us to the position of 8 instead of 9; 2006.

Vice-chairman Waddell: it is a real need; good report.

c. Default Budget update

Chief Ayotte: grateful; no injuries; think we are going to be fine, but have 2 vacancies; one firefighter had surgery in January, 4-6 month return; 9-person minimum from June to Labor Day weekend and also Memorial Day weekend; have had more fires this year; be able to maintain; will continue to watch, vehicle maintenance, apparatus is older; driving through storm water; buildings are 6-years old; hot water heaters/furnaces; replacement air conditioning; yearly maintenance; costing more; portable radios; repair on one cost \$530; unanticipated costs keep rising; tariff; durable goods; continue to see increase.

Selectman Barnes: you are still going to be on track. Chief Ayotte: I think we will be ok; we are hoping nobody gets hurt.

Selectman Barnes: 2 trucks coming up on 20 years; staffing low; need a full picture outlay; get organized; a lot of departments do not have good air quality.

d. Purchasing Policy Waivers § 718-3, § 718-4 B (1) & (2) § 718-5.1 & § 718-16 Firefighter Turnout Gear

Chief Ayotte: granted by the Town to purchase a second set of gear; best gear; using for last 10-years; durable; would like to replace for the same; waiver for purchasing; only one vendor in area.

Town Manager Welch: I agree; provider just a few towns away; endorse the Chief's recommendation.

Selectman Bridle: still use Bergeron. Chief Ayotte: yes.

Selectman Bridle: they have serviced this Town for 20 years at least; always good at getting equipment when we need.

Selectman Bridle MOVED to APPROVE the Purchasing Policy Waivers § 718-3, § 718-4 B (1) & (2) § 718-5.1 & § 718-16 for the Firefighter Turnout Gear. SECONDED by Selectman Woolsey.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Selectman Woolsey: on the turnout gear, is the Capital Reserve Fund set-up. Town Manager Welch: yes; he has already started the process.

Selectman Woolsey: chart. Chief Ayotte: our vendor said gear takes 90 days

Selectman Woolsey: figure in mind to set up for next year's warrant to keep replenishing the capital reserve fund. Chief Ayotte: yes; CIP have a line item yearly to add \$25,000.

2. Chris Jacobs, DPW Director & Jen Hale DPW Deputy Director

a. WWDC Expenditure - Grit Container Septic Receiving Area- Purchasing Policy Waivers § 718-3 A, § 718-4 B (1) & (2), § 718-5.1

Vice-chairman Waddell: explain what WWDC means. Director Jacobs: waste-water development charge; since May 2015; used to charge \$5.32 per gallon; new structure; paid one-time fee; used for capital expenditures into wastewater plant; new grit container; grit goes to Waste Management in Rochester.

Deputy Director Hale: asking for approval to do this expenditure; not part of facility upgrade funding; \$60,491 to purchase the grit container; received 2 quotes; from wastewater account; requesting waiver.

Selectman Bridle MOVED to APPROVE the Purchasing Policy Waivers § 718-3, § 718-4 B (1) & (2), § 718-5.1 for the Grit Container Septic Receiving Area. SECONDED by Selectman Woolsey.

VOTE: 4-0-0

b. Wright Pierce Final Design Contract - Wastewater Facilities Upgrade Project

Director Jacobs: engineering portion of contract; prepare final contract based upon scope of work.

Deputy Director Hale: part of the SRF funding; clean water act; has been approved by NHDES; takes the project through the next step; gives a percentage back; loan price; they produce a preliminary design report; gone through feasibility on what can be done; preliminary components; this is the design of the components.

Vice-chairman Waddell: could this be put on line. Deputy Director Hale: it is a very technical report and extremely large; engineering based; different type of scope

Selectman Bridle MOTIONED to ACCEPT the Wright Pierce Final Design Contract - Wastewater Facilities Upgrade Project SECONDED by Selectman Woolsey.

VOTE: 4-0-0

c. National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Grant Application Approval

Deputy Director Hale: working with 2 engineering firms, UNH and local surveyor; flooding aspects of the west side of Ashworth, as well as the Greene, Gentian, Kings Highway neighborhoods; first stage is working with UNH; deploy 8 different sensors; why flooding; tracking data; then will go to the engineers; sea level rise, tides and storm surges relate; \$180,000 between the two warrant articles from 2018; NHDES reached out to us; suggested we apply for grant for equal amount of money; criteria; coastal resiliency; marsh plays significant role; salt marsh; habitat; environment.

Selectman Woolsey: are you required to give some of your results to the Planning Board

Deputy Director Hale: the report we are doing will be for the Town.

Selectman Barnes: filling in land impact the marsh; will we get those types of answers.

Director Jacobs: they are known by the consultant; it will be shared

Selectman Bridle MOVED to APPROVE the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Grant Application SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

d. Old Mill Pond dam update

Deputy Director Hale: it is pretty much complete; functional; operational; some remaining work needs to be completed; have estimate on the remaining work that needs to be done; \$99,900 that we could complete the work ourselves; hit delay; complete survey; easement; we could potentially do the work for under the \$99,000

Attorney Gearreald: legal point; couple of options; one Jen just mentioned; another option Surety come in take over the project and finish; we would be paying the entire remaining balance; liquidated damages, \$1,000 per day.

Kevin O'Connor: all news to me; the town completing the project on its own; we have rights to contract balances; needs to be worked out.

Attorney Gearreald: we have paid the contractor entirely for all the work it has performed.

Kevin O'Connor: the town is asking Surety to perform the job it needs to dedicate the contract balance to the Surety; cannot pick and choose.

Attorney Gearreald: we have not invoked; followed all the steps that we need under this performance bond to ask Surety to do this.

Selectman Woolsey: what is the status of the contractor/subcontractor who are supposedly covered by the bond; is there going to be a resolution of any outstanding debt incurred by subcontractors. Kevin O'Connor: \$65,000 already paid to subcontractors. Selectman Woolsey: still individuals that have not been paid. Kevin O'Connor: not that have presented claims to us; follow the steps required they will be paid by us.

Attorney Gearreald: the payment and performance bond are 2 separate bonds; have limited amount of time to conclude work; our Public Works Department has given us an option to proceed on our own to complete.

Selectman Barnes: do we have copy of the agreement and contract; what has been spent. Attorney Gearreald: yes.

Kevin O'Connor: to be clear the Surety is going to be putting in a claim for \$65,000 that we spent.

Selectman Bridle: so you will be putting it in against the balance you have already spent. Kevin O'Connor: correct. Selectman Bridle: still one contractor that has not been paid; Mr. Plouffe. Kevin O'Connor: GMS Excavating?

Selectman Woolsey: yes. Kevin O'Connor: we have asked a number of time for his documentation and he has not done so.

Town Manager Welch: not true; he sent it where he was told to; Houston, TX and has a signed receipt back from the company saying it was delivered; apparently it was lost; we filed another one for him to the office in PA and told he had to fill out 2 more forms after this one; have done it three times

Kevin O'Connor: I would love to see the paperwork you have about this; Mark can email this to me, he has my email.

Attorney Gearreald: it has already been emailed to you along with Mr. Rudnick. Kevin O'Connor: not true.

Town Manager Welch: it was emailed to Mr. Rudnick last Thursday. Kevin O'Connor: nothing came to me; \$1,050 claim.

Town Manager Welch: he has filed it twice and we filed it once; they deny any responsibility; he has a signed receipt that it was delivered; to PA; sent last week through fax and has not received a receipt for that.

Kevin O'Connor: from what you say the Town is not looking to use us to complete the job. Town Manager Welch: depends upon the vote of the board.

Selectman Barnes: we are talking \$1,050. Kevin O'Connor: we are not disputing; if we get the paperwork we will pay it.

Selectman Barnes: Mark you are asking for PW to take over and they feel they can complete this week; savings on the rest of the contract. Attorney Gearreald: yes; sent over a takeover agreement and provided you a copy; waive any liquidated damages; be giving the bonding company; they would keep and apply to the payment bond.

Deputy Director Hale: engineer onsite; would not be available if we gave the contract over; \$40,000 in contingency money.

Kevin O'Connor: to be clear in exchange for the liquidated damages condition of the contract we discussed making the Town whole for any extra cost associated with engineering and oversite cost completing the project; the Surety company will be asserting its rights with respect to that contract balance; not going to be a walk-a-way here.

Attorney Gearreald: payment bond is separate from the performance bond; we have fulfilled our obligation by paying to the contractor all the amounts earned. Kevin O'Connor: that is yet to be seen.

Selectman Woolsey: when the DPW needs help, who is going to volunteer to do a project when people have to sit here for months waiting to be paid; nonsense.

Kevin O'Connor: you are talking about the \$1,000 bill. Selectman Woolsey: yes; money for a contractor.

Selectman Bridle MOTIONED to have the Town through the Town Manager and Public Works complete the Old Mill Pond Dam project using the remainder of the contract and the warrant article fund and not to pursue having the Surety perform this work under the performance bond. This requires competitive bidding under the Town's purchasing policy and hereby waive in order to enable the work to be completed by July 30, 2019 and further authorize Fred Welch to sign the contract adjustment with Pare Engineering SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 3-1(Woolsey)-0

Deputy Director Hale: update on Church Street Force Main project; bridge scheduled to arrive May 16, 2019; contractor looking for permission to work straight through the weekend to get it up and functional.

Director Jacobs: grist mill has a new roof on it; 90% sided.

Town Manager Welch: important to allow them to set up the bridge crossing; need to do this quickly; need it erected and certified.

Selectman Barnes: once the bridge is up and tested the temporary pipe is gone. Deputy Director Hale: yes; once we are whole, tested and operational then we send back the temporary pipes.

Selectman Bridle MOTIONED to AUTHORIZE working on through the weekend of May 16, 2019 SECONDED by Selectman Woolsey.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Selectman Woolsey: any concerns with the dredging. Deputy Director Hale: no.

Selectman Bridle: have we ever thought about dredging Mill Pond? Director Jacobs: mentioned it; that maybe a potential solution they are looking at or closed drainage system; no preconceived notions.

3. Jay Diener and Rayann Dionne

a. Coastal Hazards Adaptation Team (CHAT) update

Mr. Diener: representing Seabrook/Hampton Estuary Alliance and NHDES coastal program received a grant to start the process of introducing flooding; creation of Coastal Hazards Adaptation Team; have many entities that are part of the process; asking them to report to their boards.

Ms. Dionne: meeting monthly since January 2019; developed rules and procedures; read 4 objectives; at beginning of each meeting members share flood related updates; brainstorms about meeting topics and issues they would like to discuss; flood assessment; survey responses; Flooding 101 presentation by NHDES to understand main causes of flooding; projected impact to infrastructure; showed large maps; discussed flood prone areas.

Mr. Diener: look to continue to meet on a monthly basis; learning a lot about Hampton's flooding vulnerability; looking at case histories of what other Towns have done.

Selectman Bridle: you do a very good job; keeping the public well informed.

Selectman Woolsey: any feedback on what is happening to the areas where you are allowing homes to be put on stilts; does lifting them do any good. Ms. Dionne: you can see a few that are underway; Highland Ave., Riverview Terr.; they are pleased they are making their structures resilient to flooding; by doing that they will receive a reduction in flood insurance; they need to make a personal choice.

Selectman Barnes: right now we are being as proactive as we can; knows you are working with Deputy Director Hale; exploring grant opportunities; it is up to the property owner; need to support them. Mr. Diener: will evolve; more flooding; higher high tides; constant adjustment; make decisions about their tolerant level.

Ms. Dionne: all coastal communities need to look at it; options; community needs to decide what to invest in; make wise choices; do best for residents and town.

Vice-chairman Waddell: doing a good job; in the south when having a hurricane, the homes on stilts survived better; plus, not spending as much money on insurance.

Selectman Bridle: just had a week at Myrtle Beach and they are doing a lot of that in that area; reduction in flood insurance; people will want to live on the beach; help some of the planning and ordinances.

VIII. Town Manager's Report

1. Work on the new force main on Route 101 is progressing. We are awaiting the receipt of the bridging materials to carry the piping materials over the Tide Mill Brook. Once received and installed we can test the piping system to insure that it is working in accordance with requirements and can then commit the new lines into service for the Church Street Pumping Station. Receipt of the bridging materials will occur shortly.
2. The Board will be receiving a briefing on the operations and requirements for flood hazard grants and operation at your meeting on May 20. State officials from the Department of Safety will brief the Board on the required processes so that the Board can clearly understand the required processes and formats required for the Town to participate in Hazard Mitigation Grants on the State and Federal levels. Funds for grants will be open soon.
3. For those living near Eversource power lines please be aware that helicopter inspection and maintenance of those powers lines is continuing.
4. Work continues to move forward on the paving of State highways. Please be watchful of equipment and employees in the roadway conducting these operations.
5. The State Parks meeting for residents that was scheduled for May 11th has been move to May 22nd. Please see the Town website for further information.
6. The Heritage Commission and the Solid Waste & Recycling Committee are still seeking volunteers. Please call the Selectman's Office.
7. Hampton Post 35 American Legion to participate in the ceremonies for Memorial Day.
8. State is attempting to purchase the remaining portion of the railroad from Foss through Portsmouth, sometime during this month.
9. Anthem has provided a vision package for employees at an insignificant cost; town does not share in the cost; will add to our benefit package; 100% employee paid item.
10. Long-term disability coverage carrier has notified the Town that they are no longer going to be participating in the program; new carrier costs are through the roof; will be looking for another carrier.
11. Letter carrier's food drive is May 11th; place non-perishable donations by your mailbox.
12. Board invited to Cornerstone for grand opening ceremony May 23, 2019 from 5:30-7:30pm; RSVP.
13. Have request from Hampton School District to Fund the completion of Channel 13 for \$255,000; have funds in our account.
14. Request from Hampton Municipal Association to write a letter in support for HB415; bill would change current statute under SB2; change done at Town Meeting; only for towns that have regular town meetings.
15. Street light conversion about to start; 14 towns that have completed all their street lights; does board wish to go through this payment and performance bond item; would give us a payment voucher everything we have purchased and paid in full.
16. County holding public hearing on May 9, 2019 talking about the county budget; open to the public.
17. Received a letter from Municipal Association who can ask them questions; last year the board directed me to say the Chairman and Vice-chair of the Budget Committee could ask questions.

Selectman Woolsey MOTIONED to AUTHORIZE any member of the Board of Selectmen and any member of the Budget Committee to contact the Municipal Association as they choose SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Selectman Bridle: the reason it went the other way has changed, hopefully, it is better now; give it a shot, see how it happens and go from there.

Selectman Barnes: new members on the Budget Committee and able to use NHMA as a resource; should be allowed to.

Vice-chairman Waddell: no problem with doing that; wonder if we wait for Rick

Selectman Woolsey: I will present a petition article to take us out of the NHMA.

Selectman Woolsey: Town of Bow predicting quite a problem with recycling cost; any hopes to get a print-out to stick on the carts. Town Manager Welch: have draft; working on it.

Selectman Woolsey: franchise fees this year \$332,000; school should have factored into the bond; anticipated the cost; not in favor of turning any money over to SAU 90 toward Channel 13 upgrade.

Selectman Barnes: agree with Selectman Woolsey on that; notice from Primex member contribution; difference is less than \$2,000; rail trail purchase; do we have a tax assessment on the property. Town Manager Welch: yes; have notified the State that they will need to have a closing cost; need to pay taxes up to closing cost; after that property becomes exempt.

Selectman Barnes: any update on Route 1A. Town Manager Welch: not paving the center lot where parking is painting lines, which is why it is roped off; looks to me most of the work is done; a little finish work; equipment removed; appears they have done all the paving; except Exeter Road, have not checked it; working on the sidewalks now.

Selectman Bridle: what is your recommendation on the street light bond. Town Manager Welch: if they are willing to give us all the discharges before they pay, then it is ok.

Selectman Bridle MOTIONED to go with the Town Manager's recommendation on Street Lights SECONDED by Vice-chairman Waddell.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Vice-chairman Waddell: school issue; franchise fee on the cable bill is to support PEG, Public Education in Government Stations; Channel 13 was not part of the building of the school; not part of the bond; auditorium is going to be for our use during deliberate session, etc.; want to set it up so it is cable ready; separate from their building bond; money is already collected from the franchise fee.

Selectman Barnes: understand; but people do not like us taking all that money into the fund, and expense a ¼ of million dollars to the school.

Vice-chairman Waddell: the money is earmarked for Channel 22 and Channel 13; in a new contract if it is different, then it is different; but in this contract and the money is for. the school is asking to upgrade it and will benefit all of us.

Selectman Woolsey: sat through every meeting; never mentioned; ridiculous; have no intention of voting to authorize the funds.

Vice-chairman Waddell MOTIONED to APPROVE the request from Hampton School District to Fund the completion of Channel 13 for \$255,000 SECONDED by Selectman Bridle.

VOTE: 2-2(Barnes, Woolsey)-0

IX. Old Business

1. Entertainment Licenses and Dance Hall Permits Revenue

Selectman Barnes: wanted to know the total amount was; looking at the list; in 2018 we collected \$5,800.40 in licenses paid; in 2019 collected \$2,100.90; my question is are these additional town requirement; how are they determined.

Town Manager Welch: they make an application asking this Board to approve for entertainment license.

Selectman Barnes: make this a public document to talk about this latter, and note the dollar amount.

2. NHMA authorized contacts

See Town Manager's Report.

X. New Business

At 9:16 PM, the Selectmen adjourned the Public Session on MOTION of Selectman Woolsey, SECONDED by Selectman Barnes, which passed unanimously.

XI. Adjournment

Jim Waddell, Vice-chairman