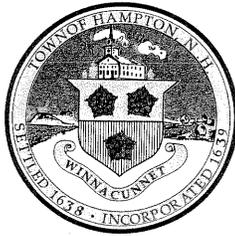


# Town of Hampton



## TOWN OF HAMPTON MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2008

PRESENT: William Lally, Chairman  
Richard Griffin, Vice Chairman  
James Workman  
Richard Nichols  
Richard Bateman  
Kristina Ostman, Administrative Assistant to the Town Manager

Chairman Lally called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### SALUTE TO THE FLAG

#### I. Presentation of the "Boston Post Cane" to Elizabeth Glenfield

Chairman Lally introduced Elizabeth Glenfield for the presentation of the "Boston Post Cane" and turned the introduction over to Jim Workman, as he is the selectmen's representative to the Heritage Commission.

Mr. Workman introduced Elizabeth Glenfield and Maryanne McCadem, the Chairwomen of the Heritage Commission.

Mrs. McCadem explained the history of the Boston Cane; initially the cane presentation was a publicity stunt for the newspaper and was given only to men. In 1930, the guidelines were extended to include women and Mrs. Glenfield remembers when the cane presentation to women began.

Mrs. McCadem presented the Boston Cane to Mrs. Glenfield who is the oldest resident of Hampton at 100 years old. Mrs. McCadem also read the State's proclamation for Mrs. Glenfield for Representative Nancy Stiles as she was called to Concord for State Business.

Chairman Lally introduced the members of the Board.

#### II. Public Comment Period – No comment.

#### III. Announcements and Community Calendar

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Mr. Bateman spoke about the Recreation and Parks Department program and highlighted the following season's trips and events; ski trips; Foxwoods's trip December 3rd; tree lighting ceremony for the community December 5th; the tour of lights; senior health fair on December 10<sup>th</sup>; the City of Portsmouth Performing Arts Center presentation of the "Grinch who stole Christmas"; New Year's Party for Seniors and upcoming international trips in 2009.

IV. Appointments

1. John Nyhan – Hampton Beach Area Commission RE: State Funding for DRED Redevelopment Project of Hampton Beach

Mr. Nyhan explained that the Commission has decided to treat this project as a campaign. The Commission has designed a platform for this campaign around economic benefits from this project. They feel that it should be a requirement that under the capital budget this year to get funds you must show that you will be bringing revenue back to the State. He expressed that there is a positive buzz among residents in regards to this project.

There will be an important meeting on December 10<sup>th</sup> at the Ashworth Hotel at 7 o'clock. Invitations will be going out to regional representatives asking them to attend and join with the seacoast business owners to support this project. At this meeting, there will be a presentation on the redevelopment project of Hampton Beach.

Mr. Nyhan then asked the Board for their vote and support of this project.

Questions from the Board:

Mr. Nichols asked about the top competing projects for this funding.

Mr. Nyhan explained that no one really knows what makes up the \$400 million but he does know that the Hillsboro Court House is requesting between \$40 and \$50 million. The amount for the Hampton Beach project is around \$18 million.

Mr. Workman congratulated Mr. Nyhan and feels that the Board needs to support this project.

Mr. Bateman stressed the importance of the project and the upkeep that is needed. He feels that this is a win-win situation for the Town and the State.

Mr. Griffin thanked Mr. Nyhan for coming in with his presentation. He will be glad to help in any way that he can and will attend meetings in Concord.

Chairman Lally said that the Board would do everything that they can to support this project.

Mr. Griffin MOTIONED to support the efforts of the Hampton Beach Area Commission. Mr. Workman SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Mr. Nyhan distributed a gift to the Board members a CD on the project. The Selectmen informed Mr. Nyhan that the CD would be posted on Ch. 22 for the Community's benefit.

V. Minutes – November 17, 2008

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Page 4 – Change the word allocations to allegations.

Mr. Bateman MOTIONED to accept the minutes of November 17, 2008 as amended. Mr. Griffin SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

VI. Old Business

Chairman Lally read the Town Manager's Report.

1. Town Manager's Report
2. A very special thank you to John Nyhan, Chairman of the Seafood Festival Recycling Committee, the Greater Hampton Chamber of Commerce through its President Doc Noel, and the Seafood Festival Chairperson Jude David for their recycling efforts during this year's festival. The \$500 donation to the Town's Recycling Committee from the proceeds of the Seafood Festival Recycling efforts is greatly appreciated.
3. My understanding is that the sewer work on Drakeside Road will be completed and closed within the week. There has been a slight holdup while the engineers figure out the precise connection between the force main and the main sewer line.
4. Work on the Hampton Falls perambulation is proceeding smoothly. We will be scheduling time for the respective Boards of Selectmen to be in the field to locate the boundary markers in the next few weeks.
5. I would request that the Board appoint Michael Schwotzer as the acting Town Manager for my absence for a surgical procedure from December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 PM until my return to work the following week.
6. I recommend that the Selectmen place a warrant article to confirm the previous acceptance of Warner Lane and a portion of Rosa Road in 1957. The record is incomplete because the Town Meeting record is absent but the deed to the Town was executed.
7. I trust that everyone will enjoy his or her Thanksgiving.

Mr. Bateman MOTIONED to appoint Michael Schwotzer as acting Town Manager from December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 5pm until the Town Manager's returns. Mr. Griffin SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

VII. Old Business

Mr. Nichols spoke about the letter from the New Hampshire Retirement System and that the response from them was not good news. The Town will still be liable for the anti-spiking provision in regards to the two Fire unions.

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Mr. Nichols suggested that the Town Manager contact LGC to correct the article that they have published in the Town and City Magazine discussing the issues with NH Retirement.

Mr. Griffin wants to be sure that the Board will follow up on the elderly exemptions.

VIII. Consent Agenda

1. Acceptance of Donation of \$500.00 to the Recycling Committee from the Seafood Festival Committee

Mr. Griffin MOTIONED to move the Consent agenda. Mr. Bateman SECONDED

VOTE: 5-0-0

Discussion among members of the recycling results at the Beach and from the Seafood Festival. It was very successful and they have a three-year plan to increase the amount of recycling.

Mr. Griffin spoke about the selling of realistic guns, Machete's, Rambo knives and other items at the Beach, his is concerned about the expansion of these weapons for sale. Mr. Griffin would like to see something done about this on the Town level.

Chairman Lally explained that the State Statute is so broad on this issue and that there is not an RSA prohibiting the sale of these items; so regulations will need to come from Concord.

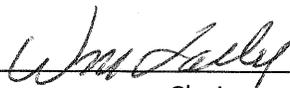
IX. Closing Comments

X. Adjournment

Mr. Griffin MOTIONED to adjourn. Mr. Nichols SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 07:34 PM

  
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Chairman