

The bigger picture is the CIP which is a tool used to forecast expenditures over \$75,000, his basis for this was the 2010 CIP since 2011 is in the process of being worked on. The problem with making a decision based on a cost of only 26 ½ cents and that there is no consideration given to other projects or the prioritization of the decision making process. The CIP proposed last year identified bonded municipal projects and purchases of \$28.3M between 2011 and 2016. This does not include funding for the fire station or the schools. The amount grows to \$35.6M when the fire stations are included but does not include interest expense. For what it's worth there was a small amount in the fire station design cost which he backed out so this is a net number against the \$8M. In addition there is an average of \$1.9M in annual spending in the CIP that is not bonded and is over and above the \$35.6M. The Hampton schools are planning major renovations on the Academy conservatively estimated at \$10M and is anticipated to begin in 2011. All of the above would add \$5.2M annual spending net of the retirement of the police station note. So again that's the current level plus the stuff that's in the CIP minus the debt that is retired for the police station and any declining principal of some of the other balances. This works out to a \$1.72 on the tax rate at \$625 to the tax bill of the average single family home. The other comment he would make on the CIP is he believes that some of the items that are currently in the CIP may never be approved or may never be proposed. He also thinks that there are issues that are not in the CIP that are major expenditures that may come along. One example is the \$500,000 for the Winnacunnet track that was voted last year, which was not in the CIP. Another example and strictly a fear of his is the WWTP, he sees a scenario down the road that we have nothing in front of us at this point, but we are going through a study and will be wiser come November or December. Other factors beyond the CIP, is that the health insurance is projected to grow by 17.5% to \$2.9M in 2011, if it continues to grow by 10% a year, it will be \$4.7M by 2016. This would add 73 cents to the tax rate by 2016 or \$265 to the average tax bill for a single family home. The State Retirement Plan is funded at less than 60% of future liabilities, he believes this will lead to low 6 figure increases in the municipal budget for the foreseeable future, and he believes that in 2011 it will be something approaching \$200,000. These increases will compound much like the health insurance increases. Most employees have not had raises since 2005 with wages making up over 40% of the Town budget. Generally speaking people's incomes are contracting, the job market is poor, property values are down, and the stock market is down 30% from 2007 high, the money market interest is less than 1%. This is the environment that we are in terms of asking for tax increases. Finally a little bit of history, in 2000 the average single family home tax bill was \$3,986, by 2003 it had risen to \$4,966, which is 25% over three years. The voters began in 2004 voting down most warrant articles that would drive tax increases, including 6 out of the last 7 operating budgets. From 2000 to 2003, taxes increased by an average of 7.6% a year and from 2004 to 2010, when the voters started voting things down, taxes increased by an average of 2.5% a year. The average increase for the 10 year period from 2000 to 2010 was 40%.

He would now like to open the meeting up to public comment and anyone who wishes to comment that did not comment last week.

Public Comments:

Mike Dyer, 996 Ocean Blvd, he first has two questions for the Town Manager does he fully support the project and consider it to meet the minimal technological requirements for

infrastructure and with the best of his vision would that carry us on at least a 50 year period or greater.

Mr. Welch does support the project and he believes it will carry for longer than a 50 year period.

Mr. Dyer suggested the following. The first thing he would recommend is for the Board to pass a motion to develop a warrant article to fund both fire stations for a cost not to exceed \$8M, by using \$3 to \$4M from the Trust Fund, this would keep the number that the tax payer is going to have to bond down to \$5M. By using the monies from the Trust Fund; in order to get the amount down to \$5M; he thinks will do three things for the Town. The first thing is that it will show the taxpayers that the Town Officials are committed to the project and the safety of the Town's people. Secondly it will allow us to get an earlier start without getting bonded funding and to start as early as next fall, if the tax payers vote the warrant article. That would get us going until after 2012 when we pick up the bond and retire the Police Bond. The third benefit is that it would minimize the actual tax increase to the taxpayer. Obviously the Trust Fund has been set up for emergency situations and also it gives the Town leverage to borrow money and he thinks this is an emergency situation. Let's get this fire stations built and out of the way and hopefully we won't have to worry about infrastructure for 50 to 100 years. He believes that both stations need to be built and that the Command Center needs to be uptown. The new facilities may help in recruiting new employees. In summarizing for him, as a voter he will only vote for both stations together and will not support just the Beach Station and that monies should come from the Trust Fund. Chairman Nichols clarified that Mr. Dyer is advocating a withdrawal from the Trust Fund as opposed to a loan from the trust fund.

John Nyhan, 4 Penniman Lane, he speaks tonight as a private citizen who has lived in Hampton for over 10 years and one who pays close to \$10,000 in property taxes. He watched the meeting last week, and it is interesting how some people who speak differently from others on some issues seemed to speak the same on this issue. He was also somewhat involved on the planning process and saw a very, very detailed complete process that took place over the past year and he commends the Chief. A lot of time has been spent discussing this issue over the past year and a lot of comments were made last week and will be made again tonight. He would like to go on record saying that he is in full support of the two station plan, the Chief and the dollar amount. The tax impact for his family would be \$150 a year and it is worth it for their safety. He thinks public safety has been expressed by both the voters at the Beach and in Town. He thinks education is very important and is necessary. He feels that this should be up to the voters. It was a 2 to 1 favor; by town vote; to have the station at the Beach location. The decision for the stations should be made by all the people in Town.

Charlie Preston, Glade Path, he stated that he feels the Chiefs pain, having worked very hard for 20 years himself, to get public bathrooms at the Beach. He agrees that there needs to be a substation at the Beach. He shared some concerns with flooding and how his property has flooding problems. He wonders how fair it is to raise the elevation of this building when many of the neighbors have to worry about flooding. As much as the Beach is in his blood he could support something uptown before the Beach unless the sight was changed at the beach. He would recommend to the Board to have two separate articles for each station or one article for the uptown station.

Vic Lessard shared some information on how the station was built uptown. He spoke about how the people at the Beach pay their fair share of taxes. If any money is taken from the Trust Fund, both stations need to be built, since a majority of the money comes from the Beach. He also spoke about how the Beach and Town are one community, not two. He has spoken with the Chief and better understands why certain things cannot be done to the existing uptown station. He thinks that Chief Silver is one of the best Chiefs this Town has ever had. He is in support of borrowing some money from the Trust Fund, but will not commit to a certain amount.

Chris Muns, 5 Nersessian Way, he would like to thank Chief Silver for the work he has done. Public Safety is the foundation for everything that is done in a community. The facilities are old and out dated and something needs to be done. There will always be neighbors who think that the cost is too high. After hearing comments by John Nickerson last week and others tonight why not make an investment in our future. He mentioned the risk of insurance premiums going up. There are a lot of hidden costs that need to be taken into consideration. He does wonder what elements of emergency efficiency are being taken into consideration and how this can save money over time and this should be a facility that is state of the art. Chairman Nichols would suggest that he contact the Chief individually to discuss this topic.

Tracy Emerick, 207 North Shore, he wears three hats tonight; Planning Board and CIP which he has been the Chairman of for several years and as a member of Fire Station Committee. He would like to refocus on some comments made by the Chairman early on. He explained how the CIP is working with the schools and this will help with understanding the cost of projects. The cooperation of the schools and this Board will help the committee to come up with a more helpful document for the Town. Everyone focuses on cost and not value and that is something that should be looked at especially with public safety in mind. He supports the two station concept and hopes the Board will support the Chief.

Fred Rice, 15 Heather Lane, he has a letter from former Selectmen and Fire Chief William Sullivan that he will read after his comments. He shared some history on the past four years and what was done to get a new fire station built. He explained how an expert in this area is needed when building these types of buildings. We have an agreement with the Precinct and this is huge. We have the full support of the Chief and Mr. Welch, and many of the citizens here tonight support the two stations approach. He commented on how these buildings will last into the future. He thinks the Board has a moral obligation to support the Chief at this time. He agreed with comments made by Mr. Lally last week and that now is not the time to nitpick the plans apart. Put the project out to the voters and support the project full force going forward. He also supports the use of the Trust Fund monies.

Mr. Rice read a letter from former Chief Skip Sullivan expressing his support of the Chief and this project. He shared how this has needed to be done for years and it's time to stop talking about this and get the job done. He is in support of building both stations. He shared some of the other large projects that the voters have supported in the past.

Jim Walsh, 123 Ashworth Ave, he thinks that he is the only Precinct voter to speak so far. He commented on how when they voted on the land swap they were basically voting on the warrant article that they expected to get. He is in favor of the two station issue. There was no proposal for a one station and the cost per square footage to build at the Beach. He also commented on how borrowing from ourselves can give us a break.

Rosemary Lamers, 155 Woodland Road, she feels that there needs to be a better understanding of what is coming up. There needs to be a horizon, so that we can see if we do A, we will get to Z. She thinks we need to be in concert and not conflict.

Richard Reniere, Mill Road, he would like to see the Trustees of the Trust Fund come before the Board and share all the ramifications of borrowing the money, versus withdrawal from the fund and what impact it would have on the loss of money to reduce the tax rate. He commented on the tough sell and the 60% vote and he thinks we can get the support, especially since they received the support of the Precinct. He agrees with Mr. Emerick and that the value should be looked at and not just the cost.

Mary-Louise Woolsey shared some information on how her tax bill started out and grew in time. She supports the concept of borrowing. She would like to see a display upstairs showing the proposals. She shared additional history of things that have happened in Town. She also shared how the cost only rises while you wait to build. This proposal is so detailed compared to things that have passed before. It is time to focus on the Town. The Board needs to sell this and sell it with their hearts.

Mike Pierce, 16 Hedman Ave, he wants the beach fire station and the need to add some improvements to the station uptown. He is going to suggest that we do the beach fire station as planned and add to the Winnacunnet Station, if needed. He made some suggestions that could be done to save some money on the construction of the uptown station. This will reduce the cost and help it to pass. So let's do what we need to do and lower the cost.

Art Gopalan, 20 Windmill Lane, he did take up the offer by Chief Silver last week and spent an hour discussing the stations with him. He shared some thoughts with the Chief on a three phase project and how the uptown station can be added on and not be a gutted project. He also suggested that Chief Silver have an informational session for the public. Education is a worthwhile thing that has to be done before you try and sell.

Vic Lessard listened to all the talk tonight and last week and the Board has to run this like it's their business. We need to put our trust in Chief Silver.

Eileen Latimer would like to put together some things that everyone has said. How the station was built in 1978 with money that was available, not necessarily with what needed to be built. As for the comment made by Mr. Pierce in regards to a lower price tag from Chief Lipe for the uptown renovations, these are not realistic figures for this time. The voters gave money to the Chief to put together a plan. Education is a wonderful tool and the Board needs to market this to the public. Do not divide this between the Beach and Town since we have finally come together. Waiting on projects has always cost the Town more. She agrees that it should be put on display in this building and at the stations. Present the project as one to the voters.

Larry Stuker would like to thank the Board for bringing this up again tonight and the Chief for spending some time with him. He would support going into the Trust Fund for monies. He does not think that there will be a better time than now, to go forward with this, since there is such support here tonight. He thinks that everyone who sees the plans and who talks to the Chief sees the need for the two station approach.

Back to the Board

Mr. Griffin thinks that one thing the Board of Selectmen has to keep in mind, is that there will be future cost for schools, drainage and roads. This is why we need to build a fire station now. There needs to be an investment made in the future now. We need to recognize that the time that has been spent by this Board and Boards in the past on this topic. Chief Silver has done a remarkable job. Last week he was in favor of the two station concept with hopes that money could be saved somewhere. He thinks that there needs to be more talk about borrowing money from the Trust Fund. Most importantly it is time to hear what the voters have to say. He would like to thank Chief Silver for a great job and would like to put the two station approach forward to the voters. There was a discussion about attracting employees and retaining employees.

Chairman Nichols would like to make one comment on the Trust Fund. The withdrawal of \$3M would have tax impact as borrowing from the Trust Fund would not be any different from borrowing from a bank.

Mr. Lally has not changed his opinion, it has been the same for the past two years. It has always been the intent of making changes to Winnacunnet Road and the Build the Beach station. He still supports the two station project, as proposed by the Chief. He does agree that education is key to the stations for the voters.

Mr. Bateman believes we have a responsibility after 6 years of working on a project, and let the voters vote. He thinks the ideas given by John Nickerson in regards to the Trust Fund are a possible option.

Mr. Znoj is still guarded, but thinks after hearing some of the comments, it is worth getting the Trustees in here to see if these suggestions are solid. He is guarded right now since \$8M is a lot of money.

Chairman Nichols expressed his concerns in the beginning and of the possible other projects. He would ask the Board for their reaction about withdrawing \$3M from the Trust Fund.

Mr. Griffin would be in favor of discussing this and he is also in favor of making a motion to move forward with the two station concept.

Chairman Nichols stated that it appears there would be a majority of the Board in favor of going forward although it might not be unanimous to go forward with the two station concept at \$8M with the ability to borrow \$3M from the Trust. Chairman Nichols asked if there is a consensus amongst the Board to move forward in this manner.

Mr. Lally confirmed that they would ask the Trustees of the Trust Funds to come in and discuss this with the Board. Mr. Welch will arrange this aspect of it.

Mr. Griffin MOTIONED to move forward with the two station concept at \$8M with the ability to borrow \$3M from the Trust Fund and possibly reducing the cost of the Winnacunnet Road Station. Mr. Lally SECONDED.

VOTE:3 ([Yes]Griffin, Lally & Bateman) – 1 ([No] Nichols) – 1 ([Abstention] Znoj)

7:00 PM

- II. Public Hearing to accept funds under RSA 31:95-b on the following: FEMA Disaster Public Assistance Grant Program in the amount of \$43,914.53; and Friends of Hampton Mounted Patrol donations in the amount of up to \$18,000.00.

Chief Silver explained that the reason we are receiving the FEMA funds was for the storm on Feb 25th and 26th and the few days after. The Town was able to receive funds for expenses incurred because of the storm. The Town initial proposal was for \$92,000 worth of expenses. Through FEMA you can be reimbursed for 75% of the expense. The amount we are currently receiving represents 75% of the protective measures portion of our request. Later this evening the manager will inform the Board of other funds we are applying for and we will also be applying for the March rain storm.

Mr. Griffin MOTIONED to accept funds under RSA 31:95-b on the following: FEMA Disaster Public Assistance Grant Program in the amount of \$43,914.53. Mr. Bateman SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Chairman Nichols explained the second item has to do with accepting donations from the Friends of Hampton Mounted Patrol in the amount up to \$18,000. This money would be used to supplement the cost of retaining the horses through Town meeting next year.

Mr. Bateman MOTIONED to accept funds under RSA 31:95-b on the following: Friends of Hampton Mounted Patrol donations up to \$18,000. Mr. Griffin SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

III. Public Comment Period - above

IV. Announcements and Community Calendar

Mr. Znoj would just like to comment that he has sat through two meetings of the CIP and he really got enthused on how everyone is working so well together. The schools have been in and will be back with definitive numbers.

Mr. Bateman would like to make an announcement about his misremembering something. Going back to the \$100 fines for parking tickets and it was the Board who actually took the action of putting it in place. There was an article petitioned by many people but it was the Board who actually put the \$100 fine in place.

V. Appointments

A. John Price, DPW Director – DPW Departmental Update

Mr. Price explained that they have had a busy second quarter. During the week of April 29th the Highway section completed their annual spring curbside waste collection. The one-way signs on the beach were changed. In April all Solid Waste employees were recertified. DES conducted a surprise inspection of the WWTP. The report noted a few deficiencies that were corrected immediately. They have started the CDM report and they visited for three days a week and half ago. They hope to have the report to us by October/November. He has a picture of the signs that were installed at all Town parking lots in French and Spanish. The Salt bids came in with the State and it has gone up 51 cents a ton. They were also notified today that municipal solid waste fee will be going up \$2.84 per ton starting July 1st. Mr. Price explained that the Board received the report on the Transfer Station and recycling and it looks like we are recycling about 30% and have been flat at this rate since January.

Discussion

Mr. Znoj would like to know how we raise this number up to 40 or 50% for recycling. Chairman Nichols would like to comment before Mr. Price. He commented that we instituted mandatory recycling in January and had a big pop in recycling at that time. Going into June it has been the same but he thinks it is a good thing with the beach and the different enforcement measures they have taken. He was actually pleasantly surprised when he looked at the June figures. He thinks it is good that we have been able to maintain that level. Mr. Znoj wants to know what Mr. Price thinks that the general public can do differently to raise these numbers. There was a discussion on paper and how it is not being recycled and should be. Also down at the beach there are recyclables in with the garbage but it is the pleasure of the Board that this trash not be left on the beach. Paper is a lot of the weight and some education needs to be done to inform people of what types of paper can recycle. Mr. Price would point out that the Real Estate people on the beach are being very helpful but there are still cans in the trash at the beach. Mr. Lally stated that we all agreed that this summer was going to be the test and he thinks everyone is doing a great job including the State. Mr. Price suggested working with channel 22 to get information posted on recycling paper. Mr. Bateman pointed out that he is seeing people come off the beach and stopping to sort through their trash. Mr. Welch thinks if you take the beach out we are doing more than 30%.

Mr. Griffin would like to mention a couple of things including the message boards and how a lot of people in Town are unhappy with the tone of the message boards. Mr. Price just stated that they are working however he feels that maybe they can come across in a more positive way. Many people have commented to him that they are very threatening. Deputy Chief Sawyer explained that they have dealt with some complaints and they are going to be moved around and wording will be changed however they are working and they are facts. Mr. Griffin agrees that they are working but maybe after the 4th they can change the statements a little. There was a discussion about moving the signs around and not leave them in the same location for so long. Mr. Griffin would also like to ask if the rose bushes on Ocean Blvd right at Rocky Bend can be cut back again this year.

Mr. Znoj asked about the 20 tons of electronics that were received and recycled. Mr. Price explained this includes items like TV's and computers and at the current time they are doing a study to see if this is cost effective or not. Mr. Znoj wonders if there is a schedule for all the sewer and drains that are being cleaned out. Mr. Price stated that they do have a plan and it is on their radar.

Mr. Price would also like to mention that there was a major sewer backup on High Street last night and that the Salt Shed is out for bids.

Mr. Price would like to pick up on one point brought up by Deputy Chief Sawyer made about the beach. Mr. Price would like to comment on the wonderful job that is being done by the individual doing the raking of the beach at night.

Chairman Nichols would like to comment on the increase in tipping fees not seeming like a lot but it is roughly 5% of a number that is \$500,000 to \$550,000 so it is roughly an increase of about \$30,000. Chairman Nichols asked if Mr. Welch would discuss the proposal from BETA Group in regards to Cogger Street.

Mr. Welch explained that we have completed the survey through BETA Group in regards to the three major drainage issue areas in Town. They asked the group to come back with the cost, so that we could file for grants through Hazard Mitigation funding, which is monies that

is left over after all the FEMA grants have been handed out. There is usually several million dollars sitting out there after this is done. The BETA Group came back with a cost of \$9,800, which he is going to suggest that the Board hold, as he had requested that Public Works prepare for him a cost for drainage improvements at 191 and 195 Mill Road, in order to resolve part of the drainage problem in the Mill/Cogger Street area. That cost is \$12,000 and he would rather spend the money there. He would suggest if we can write something in house with the aid of several people in the departments who actually work on grants and make this a little more simple rather than making it a complicated engineering proposal. We will put the engineering cost into the grant. This is the plan from his prospective.

Chairman Nichols clarified that Mr. Welch is recommending that we not go forward with the proposal from the BETA Group, which he agrees with.

B. Ginni McNamara, Director of Special Events – Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce
“Seafood Festival”

Ms. McNamara gave a brief history of the Seafood Festival; it was 21 years ago that this event began and it was an attempt to extend the season beyond Labor Day and it has come a long way and there are 600 plus volunteers for this event. The Seafood Festival is scheduled for September 10, 11 and 12 this year. All the information can be found on their website at www.hamptonbeachseafoodfestival.com. It is a world class event with a lot of coverage. It has really helped to put Hampton Beach on the map. They have 55 restaurants serving food, 80 arts and crafts vendors, along with all merchants on the beach with sales, kiddie land has been expanded, culinary demonstrations, 2 stages of entertainment, beer tent, lobster roll eating competition new this year which has drawn some competitive eaters, fireworks Saturday night and Skydive NE is coming back on Sunday. They are always looking for volunteers you can volunteer online or by calling the Chamber. There is free parking and shuttle service available. Admission is \$5 a day and children under 12 are free and a portion of the admissions goes to the Hampton Rotary and comes back to the community. They are here to bring the Board up to speed on the event and parking pattern which is the same each year. There was an explanation of how they work together with Police, Fire and Public Works. They could really utilize the message boards during the event and hope to be able to have the use of these boards as in the past. In the past the Board has helped them with parking passes and in the past has given them 5 parking passes for Church Street Lot.

Discussion

Mr. Griffin stated that everything seems to be about the same and he is happy to see that the price has not gone up.

Chairman Nichols would like to point out that the Town is reimbursed for supporting the festival and is reimbursed for things like police details and fire details.

Mr. Lally would agree that they can use the message boards at the discretion of the Police Department.

Mr. Bateman believes that during this time there should not be any sidewalk permits issued, as it interferes with public safety, since no one can get by.

Mr. Griffin disagrees with that he does not think that we should talk for the people who own stores. He is against not issuing sidewalk permits to these business owners.

Deputy Chief Sawyer stated that at the North End gate it does become a problem. He thinks we should look closely at the regulations and enforce that they follow the guidelines. He agrees with Mr. Bateman with respect to the A and B Blocks and also understands Mr. Griffin position that this could cause an issue for the store owners. Deputy Chief Sawyer stated that maybe a few more officers can be put on to enforce that the regulations are being met by the business owners. There are about 30 plus of these permits issued by the Board.

Enforcement of the permits and safety and circulation issues need to be identified and addressed for the event and will be reviewed by the Fire and Police.

VI. Minutes of July 12, 2010 and July 19, 2010

Approval of the Minutes of July 12, 2010

Page 4: Second paragraph first word, change the word "Chairman to Mr."

Mr. Bateman MOTIONED to approve the minutes of July 12, 2010 as amended. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Approval of the Minutes of July 19, 2010

Page 3: Forth paragraph, 4th line, insert the word "contractors" before the word "local", remove "s" from the word "locals"

Page 4: Third paragraph, 2nd line, insert before the word "in" "was built".

Page 4: Forth paragraph, 1st line, insert "Lessard" after the first word "Jack".

Mr. Znoj MOTIONED to approve the minutes of July 19, 2010 as amended. Mr. Bateman SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

VII. Town Manager's Report – Discussed after Old Business

1. The Board of Cemetery Trustees has requested the assistance of the Town in preparing bids for the cleaning of and repair to grave Head Stones in the Pine Grove Cemetery. We will be providing that assistance as soon as we can get it into the schedule of work.
2. We have received a request for an Entertainment License from Ron's Landing for entertainment of Friday evenings from 7 to 10 pm and Sunday's from 3 to 6pm or 5 to 8 pm depending on the time of year. This request requires Board approval.
3. We have received a request from Surfrider Foundation Beach Rescue for a permit to use Ruth Stimson Park for a beach cleanup scheduled for August 7, 2010 from 3 to 8:30 pm and a permit request to allow a Raffle. These activities are in conjunction with Cinnamon Rainbow. Both items require the Board approval.
4. The Town has received a complaint from a Hampton Falls resident regarding the condition of the Old Stage Road, requesting that it be repaved due to the poor condition of its pavement. To overlay the surface would require the cancellation of another street in the current annual work program.
5. The initial work in identifying the amount of drainage work to be done by the construction of the new facilities in the Cogger and Mill Street areas has been completed.

In order to file for a Hazard Mitigation Grant from the State and FEMA, the filing will require a detailed construction plan and the cost of the plan creation is \$9,800.00. Permission by the Board is required in order to proceed. This was discussed in further detail above.

6. The Board will receive a request at your next meeting to expend mandatory recycling to include paper, cardboard and plastics.
7. The removal process for the Phragmites on High Street is progressing. The Chief of Police is working out a possible schedule for assistance from the County Prison and we are investigating the process to permanently eliminate the growth of the Phragmites.
8. The City of Nashua has requested to purchase the remainder of our old fire alarm boxes at a cost of \$50 for street boxes and \$150 for master boxes. We would request that the Board approve the sale of the boxes to the City of Nashua.
9. The Coastal Economic Development Corporation has requested that the Board consider; on a preliminary basis only; the sponsorship of a CDBG grant application for SleepNet. There would be no cost to the Town for this grant application. It would be subject to a public hearing and subsequent Board voted approvals.
10. The State DES has ordered that the Town complete an "Initial Site Characterization" of the area behind Fire Station 1, where the diesel fuel tank was removed. We have filed a claim with our insurance carrier that will probably be denied for lack of coverage on this item. The only cost to the Town will be \$5,000 with any subsequent costs to be covered by the NH Petroleum Reimbursement Fund. Mr. Welch reminded the Board that Chief Silver came to the Board when the tank was removed.
11. I have received request from NH State Homeland Security regarding the \$25,302.93 in FEMA funds the Town received from the declared emergency of March 29, 2010 and would request the Boards permission for the Chairman to sign on behalf of the Board and the Town.
12. I am requesting that the Board approve the awarding of a contract without bid to "International Salt" for roadway salt to be used during the 2010-2011 winter season. The approval of this contract is based upon a joint bid contract with the State of New Hampshire and is in accordance with the Town's bidding policy. The cost is \$55.91 per ton; which is 50 cents up from the \$55.41 cost of last year.
13. Much to everyone's displeasure, I am denying all bids for the Salt Shed construction, due to a mistake identified in the bidding procedure. A new bid will for this will be available in the coming weeks.

Discussion

Chairman Nichols clarified that there was a mistake in the second bid document for the Salt Shed. Mr. Welch commented that we review all of these before they go out and they received a complaint that it was not done right. When investigating the complaint they found that it was not done right and it is far easier to void the bid and go back out than it is to spend the next two years in court arguing. It was mentioned that it was a subtle mistake.

Chairman Nichols commented that there are about 8 different things that the Board has to deal with as a result of his report. He wonders what causes all of these things to be in the

report as opposed to on the agenda. Mr. Welch stated that they are all late filings and the real problem here is that if they wait until the last second now with the Board meeting every other week he would have to hold someone's permit for too long.

Mr. Bateman MOTIONED to approve the Ron's Landing Entertainment License for entertainment on Friday evenings from 7 to 10 pm and Sunday's from 3 to 6 pm or 5 to 8 pm depending on the time of year. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Mr. Bateman MOTIONED to approve the Surfrider Foundation Beach Rescue for a permit to use Ruth Stimson Park for a beach cleanup scheduled for August 7, 2010 from 3 to 8:30 pm and a permit request to allow a Raffle. These activities are in conjunction with Cinnamon Rainbow. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

The Board agreed to look at the condition of Old Stage Road but was not willing to make any decisions tonight.

Mr. Znoj MOTIONED to approve the selling of the remainder of our old fire alarm boxes at a cost of \$50 for street boxes and \$150 for master boxes to the City of Nashua. Mr. Griffin SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Mr. Griffin MOTIONED to grant permission to Chairman Nichols to sign the NH State Homeland Security regarding the \$25,302.93 in FEMA funds the Town received from the declared emergency of March 29, 2010. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Mr. Griffin MOTIONED to expend the \$5,000 necessary to clean the area where the fuel tank was removed behind Fire Station 1, with any subsequent costs to be covered by the NH Petroleum Reimbursement Fund. Mr. Lally SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Mr. Lally MOTIONED to approve the awarding of a contract without bid to "International Salt" for roadway salt to be used during the 2010-2011 winter season. The approval of this contract is based upon a joint bid contract with the State of New Hampshire and is in accordance with the Town's bidding policy. The cost is \$55.91 per ton; which is 50 cents up from the \$55.41 cost of last year. Mr. Bateman SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

VIII. Old Business

1. Formal vote and acceptance of donation of a bench at Bi-centennial Park in memory of Edward H. Chalmer.

Discussion

Chairman Nichols explained that the Board has received a letter. Chairman Nichols would like to point out that this individual do own property in Hampton at one time.

Mr. Znoj MOTIONED to accept the donation of a bench at Bi-centennial Park in memory of Edward H. Chalmer. Mr. Lally SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

2. George Dovas, President of Ocean Crest Condominiums – Parking on Kings Highway.

Mr. Dovas went through the events starting in 1983. He explained how they were made to pay for a sidewalk and granite curbing and how it was destroyed by Zoppo and replaced by the Town using sand and gravel with no curb. He explained how people park right up in there hedges since the curbing was not put in by Public Works. It was explained to them at this time that there would be “no parking signs” put up. Now the Board is going to allow parking in this area again and they still do not have their curbing back.

Discussion

Chairman Nichols explained that Kristina did try and contacted someone from the Condo Association before the last meeting.

Charles Ryan also a member of the Board of Directors of Ocean Crest Condominiums and lives at 190 Kings Highway. He spoke to Mr. Hangen several years ago on this issue. He has a handicap son and there were many times when they were unable to open the gate to get wheelchairs, walkers and carriages out. He does not see the rationale behind the decision last week. They are 100% not in favor of reinstating these parking spaces.

Mr. Znoj clarified that they are concerned that this is a safety issue for both the individuals parking and the people living in the condos. Mr. Griffin commented that he has heard comments about the hedges in this area. Chairman Nichols added that the hedges were trimmed last week.

Bob Cantra who lives at 189 Kings Highway his family home abuts the Town parking lot. He would like to share his thoughts and concerns with parking in this area. He has lived in the north beach area for 36 years. He sincerely believes that up until this summer the three lots in this area have fulfilled the needs of parking in this area. He believes that if parking is reinstated on the south side of High Street there will be no issues. He would really like to ask the Board to postpone any decisions about the grass strip in the parking lot. His family home was built in 1974 and there was no parking lot here. In 1978 the Town decided to put in the parking lot at the time two concerns were raised by abutters which he shared with the Board one being that there be an area of protection for their property which was the grass area.

Mr. Lally thinks that it was brought up by Mr. Bateman and in the Boards zeal to come up with parking in this area it was a suggestion. Chairman Nichols pointed out that the Chief was asked to come back to the Board with some suggestions for parking in this area and that is what he did. The grass area was not brought up by the Chief. Mr. Lally commented about a letter received a year or so ago from a resident at 190 Kings Highway about the granite curbing and they did have correspondence proving that the curbing was put in and he was aware that this was going to be fixed by the Town.

Mr. Lally agrees with Mr. Znoj that it is dangerous getting out with the hedge blocking the view.

Deputy Chief Sawyer has spoken with the members of the condo association tonight and better understands why it was posted as a “no parking” area. He did sit in this area in his

cruiser and does not think it is a safety issue exiting from the lot and it was taken into consideration the intersection and that is what he based the decision on for the set back distance with his measurements. He spoke with Strafford County today and they have workers available to come down and clear out that 500 foot section on High Street from the entrance to the Condos back to the Pump House. They will come in on August 5th and 6th to do this work. It will be better than what we have but in some areas tires will still be over the white line. The Board agreed to have these workers come in and do this work.

Mr. Welch has been in touch with the State and the County and would like to explain some further information to the Board. We can put an herbicide on this area that will kill the phragmites all together. We will have to cut them for two years but after that they should be dead. It will then be up to the Board what they want to do with the parking in this area. As for the sidewalk and granite curbing Mr. Welch pulled the site plan and one condition was that they build the sidewalk and granite curbing and give it to the Town. Therefore the sidewalk was not on their property it is on Town property. In order to put the curbing back we would have to put a drain in first and that is why the sand and gravel were put there. The high hedge in this area does cause a problem. In regards to the grass area in the lot it cannot be paved it would need to be gravel. He needs guidance from the Board since the work is to begin this Thursday on the parking lot and removing the “no parking” signs on Kings Highway.

Mr. Lally would suggest that we forget about making the grass area of the parking lot into spaces. Mr. Znoj and Mr. Griffin agree to leave this area alone. Mr. Bateman thinks people from all over Town are looking for more spaces and we have a resource to add more spaces.

The residents of Kings Highway feel that their issues arose after parking was eliminated on High Street.

Chairman Nichols summed up that it sounds like there are 3 members of the Board who are in favor of leaving the parking lot as is and that will be done.

Chairman Nichols stated that the other issue is parking in the area of the hedge. Mr. Welch stated that if the hedge was cut back on the end or removed it could solve some of this problem. Mr. Znoj does not like parking in this area. Mr. Griffin is in favor of listening to the people who live in the condos and if there is anything they can do to help with the hedge that would be great.

Chairman Nichols summed up that three members of the Board are in favor of not removing the “no parking” signs in front of the hedge on Kings Highway. It was also discussed that the phragmites will be removed allowing for parking on High Street again starting on August 7th.

The last area to discuss would be opening up parking in the area from where the phragmites end going eastward to where the hedges begins. Chairman Nichols would be in favor of opening up parking in this area. Deputy Chief Sawyer would only suggest that we keep parking back from the sign for 1A. Chairman Nichols stated that by August 7th we would have more parking in this area than we did before we issued the no parking on High Street.

3. High Street Parking Amendments
4. Kings Highway Parking Amendments

Mr. Welch explained that these items have been ratified in the discussions above and he will have to come back to the Board with new amendments. However, this will not slow anything down and the work will be done as ordered by the Board above.

Parking Amendments:

- a) To allow parking on the South side of High Street for a distance of approximately 112'+/-, beginning 20' East of the driveway entrance of the Ocean Crest Condominiums, heading in a Easterly direction to approximately 90'+/- from the intersection of High Street and Kings Hwy.
- b) To allow parking on the South side of High Street for a distance of approximately 500'+/-, beginning 20' West of the driveway entrance of the Ocean Crest Condominiums, heading in a Westerly direction to the Pump Station.

IX. New Business

1. Formal vote and acceptance of donation of surplus office and supplies from INSITE

Discussion

There was a discussion that this equipment will be used by many departments not just Public Works.

Mr. Znoj MOTIONED to accept the donation of surplus office and supplies from INSITE. Mr. Lally SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

2. Acceptance of the Notice of Amendment to RSA 486:14 Request for SRF Loan Amendments for SRF Loan No. CS-330195-10 issued on September 9, 2009

Discussion

Mr. Lally MOTIONED to accept the Notice of Amendment to RSA 486:14 Request for SRF Loan Amendments for SRF Loan No. CS-330195-10 issued on September 9, 2009. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

3. Hampton Cemetery Stone Restoration Project – Chairman Nichols explained that we have a letter from the Trustees.

Discussion

Mr. Znoj clarified that the money was voted on in 2010 election.

The Board agreed that the Town will help with the bidding process.

Other New Business

Chairman Nichols commented on some correspondence from NHMA as far as identifying a delegate. Mr. Welch has done this in the past and Chairman Nichols thinks that he should do this again. Mr. Welch will be happy to do this as long as the Board gives him the direction they would like him to take.

Mr. Bateman MOTIONED to approve Mr. Welch as the delegate to NHMA. Mr. Lally SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

X. Consent Agenda

1. 2010 Abatement Request: 2010-05, 160 Lafayette Road Unit #80, mobile home only
2. Elderly Exemption – 77 Brown Avenue, Map 287. Lot 3
3. ABBA Taxi Business License
4. Taxi Operator License – Diane Bushe for ABBA Taxi
5. Raffle Permit – Hampton Historical Society o 09/14/2010
6. Parade and Public Gatherings License for Joseph T. McGuirk Memorial Golf Tournament on 08/23/2010
7. Approval of servicing alcohol for the Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours meeting – Chez Boucher French Cooking School on 08/05/2010
8. One Day Entertainment License – Chez Boucher French Cooking School on 08/05/2010
9. Raffle Permit – Pelham VFW to benefit Gold Star Mothers Memorial and the VFW State Commanders Project “Honor Flight” for WWII Veterans
10. Raffle Permit – Friends of Lane Memorial Library on 08/07/2010

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

VOTE: 5-0-0

XI. Closing Comments

Mr. Lally thanked everyone for coming out tonight to speak on the fire station project.

Mr. Griffin would like to thank Deputy Chief Sawyer for working with all the neighbors on parking.

XII. Adjournment

Chairman Nichols MOTIONED on a roll call vote to enter into a nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3., II., (a). Mr. Znoj SECONDED

ROLL CALL VOTE: 5-0-0


Chairman