

Town of Hampton



TOWN OF HAMPTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
November 08, 2010 Minutes

PRESENT: Richard Nichols, Chairman
William Lally, Selectmen
Gerald Znoj, Selectmen
Frederick Welch, Town Manager
Mark Gearreald, Town Attorney

ABSENT: Richard Griffin, Selectmen
Richard Bateman, Vice-Chairman

7:00 PM

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

I. Public Hearing – Acceptance of Donations and Grants Funds under RSA 31:95-b.a

Fire Department

State Homeland Security Radio Maintenance - \$8,100
Emergency Management Grant Radio Upgrade - \$21,200
FEMA DR-1913 Storm related reimbursements - \$18,000
Radiological Emergency Response - \$24,048
Surplus Office Furniture - Under \$5000

Police Department

Homeland Security Maintenance Funds - \$26,220
Friends of the Mounted Patrol

Mr. Znoj MOTIONED to accept the Donations and the Grants Funds under RSA 31:95-b.
Mr. Lally SECONDED.

VOTE: 3-0-0

II. Public Comment Period

Mary-Louise Woolsey expressed concerns with the Boards discussion on warrant articles last week. She would like to see them scale back on the money articles in order for the Fire Stations to pass. Chairman Nichols explained the purpose of the Board looking at the impact of the money articles at this time.

Richard Reniere, 29 Highland Ave, would like to thank the Board for posting the agenda on channel 22 just before the meeting begins.

Jay Diener, representing the Conservation Committee, thanked the Board for granting them permission to replace the culvert on Landing Road, which has now been completed. He explained that this was done at no cost to the Town.

III. Announcements and Community Calendar

Mr. Lally announced that Post 35 would be having a ceremony on Veteran's Day.

Chairman Nichols invited the Friends of the Mounted Patrol to come forward. Jacque Graham and Kristen Russell shared with the Board that over the past couple of months they have been able to collect and raise over \$29,000. They shared how the funds were raised and presented the Board with a check for \$8,248.21 this compliments amounts that they have given in the past. The total amount donated to the Town so far is \$18,500. Chief Sullivan thanked everyone for the support that they have shown for the mounted patrol. Mr. Lally shared some history on the mounted patrol and the people involved and thanked everyone very much for the hard work.

IV. Appointments

1. Finance Director

Mr. Schwotzer provided the Board with his October report, which is available online. He discussed the YE savings, revenues and expenses in detail. The 2009 audit report has been received and will be placed on the website.

Discussion

Chairman Nichols and Mr. Znoj discussed the Employee Separation account and the calculation used for this line item.

Chairman Nichols verified that the Cemetery Trustees have been notified of the balance of their budget.

Chairman Nichols mentioned the following: workers comp premium range, tipping fees, recycling, Public Works Capital Reserve, audit report, prioritizing warrant articles, undesignated fund balance and YE savings.

Mr. Znoj asked about the completion of the seven streets and revenue received from Comcast.

2. Mosquito Control – Awarding of the RFP & Town Warrant Article

Richard Reniere and Ann Kaiser provided the Board with a brief rundown of what is happening. Mr. Reniere explained the two bids received and why they awarded the bid to the high bidder Dragon Mosquito. Ms. Kaiser explained some further information about budgeting and shared some information on the low bidder.

Discussion

Mr. Znoj pointed out that there have not been any infected mosquitoes found in Hampton. There was a discussion on larviciding that takes place and the effectiveness of this effort.

Chairman Nichols clarified that there are two companies available to do this in the area.

Mr. Znoj clarified that there is money for this in the budget and additional funds in a warrant article. There was a discussion on whether the amount needed for mosquito control should be solely in the budget with no warrant article. It was decided that there would be a Selectmen sponsored warrant article for mosquito control for the amount of \$42,750.00.

V. Minutes of November 01, 2010

Page 3: Sixth line – Change the vote to 3-1-0.

Page 3: Add the following language. “Mr. Welch will check in to this legislation” to the sentence that begins with Mr. Znoj was a little discouraged....

Mr. Lally MOTIONED to approve the minutes of November 01, 2010 as amended. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 3-0-0

VI. Town Manager’s Report

Please note that the Town Hall and Departments will be closed on Thursday, November 11, 2010 in celebration of Veterans Day.

Please note that effective November 15, 2010 until March 15, 2011, there is no parking on any street from 1AM until 7AM daily, except for snow emergencies when parking is prohibited for the period of the emergency.

Deliberative Session of Town Meeting is scheduled for February 5, 2011 at the Winnacunnet High School Auditorium at 8:00 AM. The Board has been requested by the Town Clerk and the Moderator to consider scheduling the Annual Town Meeting (Election) at Winnacunnet High School instead of the Marston School.

It is the recommendation that the Board award the bid for review of the WWTF to GHD for a price not to exceed \$9,700.

The Board is requested to consider the replacement of the Muffin Monster at the WWTF for \$7,040. Our spare unit has been used to replace a unit that is no longer serviceable and we need a replacement unit. There is only one source hence no bid is possible on this replacement.

There will be no trash pickup on Veterans Day and Thanksgiving, the collection will be the following day for those individuals who would have been picked up on Veterans Day and Thanksgiving.

Discussion

The Board discussed moving the Town Election from Marston to Winnacunnet. It was decided to not take action on this until there is a full Board.

Mr. Znoj MOTIONED to replace the Muffin Monster at the WWTF in the amount of \$9,700. Mr. Lally SECONDED.

VOTE: 3-0-0

Mr. Lally clarified that the Board has decided to keep Ashworth Ave Lot open and plowed in the winter for parking issues that could arise since the State Lot could possibly be closed for the season. Mr. Welch informed the Board that there would be an amendment for to the parking ordinance next week. There was an additional discussion about snow removal and parking during storms.

VII. Old Business

1. Management Agreement 23 Glade Path – Conservation Commission

Atty. Gearreald explained that the Board has this in their packets.

Mr. Lally MOTIONED to accept and approve Management Agreement 23 Glade Path – Conservation Commission. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 3-0-0

2. Ellenwood Property Tax Payment Agreement

Atty. Gearreald explained this was postponed from last week. Mrs. Kingsley has had time to review the circumstances with the party involved and the monthly amount has been reduced to \$80. He expressed that this is an exceptional circumstance and not something that the Town is going to begin doing.

Chairman Nichols MOTIONED to accept and approve the Ellenwood Property Tax Payment Agreement and approve the Ellenwood Tax Deed Waiver. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 3-0-0

3. Ellenwood Tax Deed Waiver – See above

Other Old Business

The Board will discuss warrant articles next week when they have a full board.

VIII. New Business

1. WWTF – Selection of the Engineering Firm

Mr. Welch gave some background on this including going through reviews with some of these companies. It would be his suggestion that the Board approve GHD Engineering Firm so that DES can be contacted to have the company approved by them.

Discussion

The Board discussed some of the timeframes involved, rankings of companies and cost.

Mr. Znoj commented that by doing this the Town will be able to produce a report for DES by the middle of December.

Chairman Nichols commented the intent of the study is to identify the issues and make recommendations that will get us out of the moratorium.

Chairman Nichols MOTIONED to award the WWTF Contract to GHD Engineering Firm. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 3-0-0

Mr. Welch informed the Board that we have received a report from DES and have begun to implement some of the things suggested in the report.

Other New Business

Chairman Nichols suggested that the Board invite the newly elected Representatives and Senator to a meeting, which the Board agreed, was a good idea. Mr. Welch will get to work on this and invite them to come in as soon as possible.

Chairman Nichols brought up the NHMA annual meeting and the need to have a voting delegate present to represent and vote on behalf of the Board.

Chairman Nichols MOTIONED to select Mr. Welch as the delegate to the NHMA meeting. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 3-0-0

There was a discussion on the topics that will be voted on at the NHMA meeting.

Chairman Nichols shared an email about an individual wishing to buy the compost from the Town. The Board agreed that the offer being made was very low. There was a discussion on the amount of compost available and a reminder that it is available to residents.

IX. Closing Comments - None

X. Adjournment

Mr. Znoj MOTIONED to adjourn the public meeting. Mr. Lally SECONDED.

VOTE: 3-0-0



Chairman