

Town of Hampton



Hampton Board of Selectmen Minutes of December 19, 2011

PRESENT: Richard Nichols, Chairman
William Lally, Vice-Chairman
Richard Griffin, Selectmen
Gerald Znoj, Selectmen
Michael Pierce, Selectmen
Frederick Welch, Town Manager
Mark Gearreald, Town Attorney
Wanda Robertson, Assistant Town Attorney

6:00 PM Non-meeting with In-House Legal Counsel – RSA 91-A:2, I (b).

7:00 PM Public Meeting – Selectmen’s Meeting Room, Downstairs Town Offices

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

I. Public Comment Period

Arthur Moody brought up two press releases the first is the New Year’s Eve Gala at the new State Park for \$75 per person and the other is State looking for a caterer to run parties and so forth. It appears to him that this appears to be concessions, which are prohibited in the deed. He feels that these events are competing with the taxpayers especially the New Year’s Eve events. Mr. Pierce commented that the fireworks are put on by the Precinct on New Year’s Eve at 8 o’clock. Another item on the agenda is the Aquarion Water wanting to increase the WICA rate with the PUC. It is his understanding that this is a pilot program and he questions how the rates can be changed during this time. He thinks this should be looked at very carefully. He also wonders when the pilot program ends.

Nathan Page, Drakeside Road, commented on the beating that the Legal Department took at the last meeting. He shared his experience working with Atty. Gearreald while he was Chair to the Conservation Commission and how extremely helpful it was to have legal counsel available to them. He brought up the Recycling Committee as an appointment and how pay-to-throw came up in the 80’s. He shared some negative experiences of Pay-As-You-Throw and what happened when Dover took this on back then. He shared some ways that the Town can be more educated in regards to recycling and he thinks education is key.

II. Announcements and Community Calendar - None

III. Appointments

1. Carl McMorran & Harry Hibbard – Aquarion Water Company
 - a. WICA Rate Request Increase to PUC

Mr. McMorran explained what the WICA pilot program is. It was implemented to incentivize Aquarion to accelerate necessary improvements to its infrastructure to improve services to customers and mitigate rate shock. Aquarion has made significant improvements to its infrastructure since commencing the WICA pilot program and the recovery of the associated costs are implemented annually and gradually until the time of a general rate case. The interests of gradualism and providing Aquarion to seek periodic rate relief, rather than filing a rate case after a long periods of time when a more substantial increase would likely be required. This is a surcharge that allows them to go annually to the Department of Public Utilities and earn a return on the previous year's capital investment. It has resulted in 30% or more in their capital investment. There would be an increase of \$2.67 per quarter for an average customer, using 184 gallons per day. The average seasonal customer's increase should be somewhere around \$8.60. They listed out some of improvements to the infrastructure that have been made with the money.

Discussion

Chairman Nichols asked them to respond to Arthur Moody's question in regards to raising rates during a pilot program. Mr. McMorran stated that it (WICA) is pilot program, the rates can be raised as part of the pilot program, and this is in fact the second increase over 3 years. Chairman Nichols confirmed the increase amount is 2.16%. Chairman Nichols also confirmed that this applies to the hydrants. Chairman Nichols shared an analysis he did on his own use and since 2006; it has gone up 17% compared to the CPI increase of 11%. Mr. McMorran confirmed that some of the factors that cause this are capital investments, chemicals, and power. Chairman Nichols wants the public to know that the Town or Board of Selectmen have no authority/approval power of the rates and they are set by the PUC and the water companies. Aquarion is not looking for the Town's approval; this is for information purposes only, as they are before the PUC for the rate increase.

Mr. Griffin thinks that the Board should be writing to the PUC expressing their non-support of granting the water companies request to increase rates.

Mr. Pierce asked when the hearings are being held with the PUC. There was a technical session held on December 7th and they are in the middle of the process of recommending the decisions. The PUC entered their decision last week and now there is an opportunity to respond.

Mr. Welch confirmed that there is a ceiling of how much you can raise the rates over 3 years and that amount is 5% in between rate case.

Atty. Gearreald stated that the increase cap over a year is 5% for annual and 7.5% for aggregate, between rate cases. He shared some information about previous rate cases.

Mr. Znoj confirmed that the increase would be effective January 2012. He wonders if they are looking for a rate increase every year since they plan to continue on with the capital improvements. The purpose of the WICA statute is to allow them to come in every year to seek to earn on capital investments.

Mr. Znoj shared some additional complaints the Board has received such as the high cost to turn service back on at the beach.

Mr. Lally agrees with Mr. Griffin in objecting the high rate request increase and the Board should ask Atty. Gearreald to get something to the PUC asking for a lower rate increase. Atty. Gearreald would need something from the Board in order to get something done very shortly. At the technical session that was held on December 7th, Hampton was the only Town present and the Office of the Consumer Advocate (part of the PUC) was not even there nor North Hampton.

Chairman Nichols confirmed that Mr. Lally is suggesting that Atty. Gearreald write a letter to the PUC and the Governor's Counsel not supporting this high rate increase.

There was a consensus amongst the Board that this should be done.

2. Dick Desrosiers – Energy Committee
 - a. Alternate member appointment

Tonight Mr. Desrosiers would like to nominate and ask for the Boards approval to bring Mr. Brian Betts onto the Energy Committee as a fulltime member. He shared some background information on Brian for the Board.

Discussion

Chairman Nichols stated that in the email sent they were looking to make him an alternate and now asking for a fulltime member. Mr. Znoj pointed out that he has spoken to Mr. Desrosiers and if he feels another fulltime member is beneficial than another alternate and a fulltime member should be added.

There was a discussion amongst the Board about increasing the number of members from five to seven.

Mr. Lally MOTIONED to increase the members of the Energy Committee from five to seven members and appoint Mr. Betts as a fulltime member. Mr. Griffin SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

3. Recycling Committee
 - a. PAYT

Ms. Ansaldo-Church read a statement from the Committee requesting the Board to reconsider putting an article on the warrant asking the voters if they would like to implement a Pay-As-You-Throw program as reported on by Director Keith Noyes. The following members of the Recycling Committee will be coming forward in support of this: Toni Trotzer, Tammy Deland, Dennis Kepner, and Corrine Baker. Also present are Transfer Station Coordinator Mark Richardson and Keith Noyes DPW Director to answer questions as needed.

Mrs. Ansaldo-Church expressed that the purpose of the Committee is to find ways to reduce the cost of solid waste and the importance of recycling for the community. Sara Bernier from WasteZero will do a small presentation for the Board.

Ms. Bernier provided a little background history on her education and working with solid waste reduction for the past 7 years. WasteZero's number one goal is to reduce municipal spending for solid waste disposal. Her presentation included: benefits and equity of WasteZero PAYT, the way they meter usage, address concerns the Board might have on PAYT, key to efficient resource use, personal accountability, cost passed on to others

through taxes, using city trash bags everyone pays for what they dispose of and increase recycling, expanding landfills and paying for your neighbors trash, significant reduction in solid waste about 43% decrease, immediate and long-lasting results, benefits to the municipalities and residential benefits and environmental benefits, dramatic increase in recycling, take trash off the tax rate and more equitable residents no longer pay for their neighbors' trash. Some of the communities they work with in NH are Dover, Concord, Exeter, Hinsdale, Hopkinton, Lisbon, Londonderry, Raymond, Somersworth and many others that she listed out for the Board.

Discussion

Mr. Znoj confirmed that the communities they work with all use the bag program.

Mr. Pierce asked if before they started working with these communities were they municipal pick up or commercial pickup and Ms. Bernier would have to get back to the Board with an answer.

Mr. Griffin stated that Saco is similar to Hampton and if she worked for them for 6 ½ years she should not have a problem selling this to Saco to them, if it is such a good idea, and then come back to this Board.

Mr. Lally reiterated the uniqueness of Hampton and how they do not compare to any of the communities she listed off. He talked about the amount of trash that is generated by the tourists and the State. He feels that there are logistical problems with this system. There was a discussion on how the Town disposes of State trash and how they are charged when they bring their trash to the Transfer Station.

Mr. Griffin thinks that maybe the DPW Director and Recycling Committee should go to Old Orchard Beach and do some research since they have similarities to Hampton. He brought up some problems with the fact sheet on recycling provided by the Recycling Committee. There are many people happy with the new carts and system. Mr. Griffin expressed concerns if we become further divided on this topic and commented on how people do not have children in the schools but still pay taxes for the schools. The Board has made a decision and he does not think that we should flip flop on this topic. The taxpayers have paid for the carts and trucks so why would we even want to change this now. He feels that some of these decisions need to be left up to the DPW Director. He discussed condominiums and the restriction on not picking up the trash by the Town and some possible ways that the Town can work with these associations.

Continued Presentation from the Recycling Committee

Ms. Ansaldo-Church stated that her committee would like to continue with their presentation. Ms. Ansaldo-Church went through the many ways the committee along with DPW have gone about educating the residents of Hampton. She shared a story about when she started on the Recycling Committee and how she was told that they would never get the Beach to recycle. However, she shared some stories on things that they did and how they worked over time. People are resistant to change but things will work over time.

Dennis Kepner shared some history on PAYT. He would like to suggest that we can adapt and grow and not throw up our hands and say that we cannot do this. He talked about recycling competing with PAYT and that is not the case, they are separate items. He believes that trash is quantifiable and can be measured unlike being taxed on items such as schools,

roads and police and fire use. He commented on the continuous discussion on how the Beach is different from other communities. The education brochure is being reproduced based on the guidelines given to them by the recycling company. . The reason the committee is bringing forward the PAYT program is because the recycling percentage has not moved in over a year and has flat lined.

Discussion

Mr. Griffin wants to make it clear that we are not subsidizing the beach in Hampton. Mr. Griffin thinks that if we are flat lined then the Committee needs to do something different.

Chairman Nichols does not think this is all up to the Recycling Committee but is instead made up of three components: what individuals do, what the Town is doing in regards to setting policies and how the Recycling Committee gets the word out. Chairman Nichols shared some statistics on recycling and how the numbers increased slightly between 2006 and 2009 and the significant increase in 2010 when the Town made a policy decision in regards to mandatory recycling. He feels that everyone owns a portion of the recycling remaining level.

Mr. Pierce feels that the Town is in the business of providing services and trash is part of that service that has been provided for the last 100 years. PAYT is a punitive approach. He commented on the help that the Recycling Committee has given him about recycling and how his recycling is greater than his trash. He shared some information on the recycling research he did over the weekend and all the information available about recycling compared to PAYT. He feels the Town should do more education on recycling which will help in the increase of recycling. Mr. Pierce agrees with Mr. Griffin that a decision has already been made by this Board to not move forward with the PAYT program at this time. He believes that the PAYT is regressive and punitive, the research he has done shows that recycling is prevalent. The Town is in the business of providing services, and if we are going to pay for services, where you are started with the trash, soon a charge will be for Fire, Police, School and Trash, and not in it to make money.

Corrine Baker explained that this PAYT program is not to replace the recycling program in place but instead to increase the recycling percentages. She shared some study information from the EPA. She commented that they are not here to reverse a decision made by the Board but instead to ask them to reconsider moving forward with the PAYT program in 2012 as opposed to waiting until 2013. If the people who don't want to recycle, then they can pay to throw it away, and if I recycle then I should not have to pay for you to throw your trash away.

Mr. Griffin thinks that the Town needs to start finding ways to enforce recycling and other things that can be accomplished. We need to give the current program a chance, and that the Board has made the decision on not doing the PAYT. Mr. Griffin believes that if we wanted to move forward with a PAYT program we should have done so prior to purchasing all these carts and trucks.

Ms. Deland reiterated that they are here to find out ways to increase the recycling rate.

Mr. Pierce stated that the EPA page does not show the PAYT, and does not think that the Recycling Committee should come in here and try and convince the Board to use a PAYT

program when the Board has already made it clear, they are against doing the program, and he will not go for a punitive approach.

Mr. Kepner talked about the incentive to recycle when there is a PAYT program in place. He discussed the education process, and how you will always find people who do not know about recycling because they don't have the internet, read the paper, etc.

Mr. Griffin stated that the lack of enforcement of recycling is the problem, and should be implemented again.

Mr. Kepner and Ms. Ansaldo Church stated that it is not the Recycling Committees job to enforce this.

There was a discussion on whether or not the committee is open to new members.

Chairman Nichols stated he has made it very clear that he is in support of a PAYT program and Mr. Lally, Mr. Pierce, and Mr. Griffin have made it very clear that they are not.

Mr. Znoj stated that he abstained the last time since there are many things on the plate for the DPW Director and he is not going to move on anything until there is a solid plan in place. He still has a lot of questions that have to be answered.

4. Michael Schwotzer, Finance Director
 - a. November Monthly Financials

Mr. Schwotzer presented the November income/expense statements, which are available online. This is the eleventh report of 2011 with a monthly target of 91.67%. The motor vehicle income total came in at \$207.2k, which is \$6k below budget. On a year-to-date basis, it now is 1.9% below target, which is still half of the variance (negative 3.95), experienced a year ago. Included in this month's total income of \$349.6k was: Interest on Taxes at \$10k, Building Permits at \$8k, Departmental at \$69k, Rye Sewer at \$16k and the Real Estate Trust Fund at \$34k. Year to date income is \$67k below budget. This will not be an issue when the 2011 NH Rooms & Meals Tax distribution of \$669k is received in December.

The Expense Summary at the end of November the operating departments (without debt service) were 87.5% of the budget, which is below the month's target of 91.7%. The difference is factored into the calculation of the 2011-year End "Savings" estimate of \$595k. This is an increase of \$1k over last month's estimate. The line relating to the \$99k cost for the additional "carts" has been zeroed out since the total cost has been absorbed by the Public Works Department. As stated above, the forecast is now becoming more accurate. For comparison purposes, last year's estimate at this time was \$1,001k or almost 70% higher. On pages 1 through 5 the majority of the departments are still below the target level and do not have any major issues. Some of the individual line items can be over their year-to-date target because of prior year encumbrances, annual contracts having been paid or seasonality/timing of the expenses. In Municipal Insurance, Health Insurance continues to be under budget (2.2% or \$60K) through November. Since the annual insurance costs for Liability & General and Workman's Comp have been booked, he estimates that the overall group of accounts should come in \$50k below the budget for 2011. The overall Police Department is running 0.7% over the year to date budget target. This is a result of purchasing two new Ford Crown Vic cruisers in this year due to the car model being discontinued. The overall Fire Department is running at 85% of budget, which equates to \$200k below at the end of November. FD OT Expense is 3% below its YTD target and is \$26k lower than during the

same time period in '10. Highways and Streets are \$373k below the November budget target in total. Municipal Sanitation is 6% or \$207k below the November budget target in total.

He provided the Board with a list of questions received from Mr. Znoj, which he passed out to the Board along with his answers. The first question has to do with Capital Outlay/Warrant Articles and he explained the process of spending from the Trust Fund to the Board for these capital reserve expenses. Chairman Nichols stated that the Board has to approve any expenditure from the Capital Reserve Fund. The second question is in regards to revenue from Fire Department and the school resource officers in the Police Department being down this year. Mr. Schwotzer explained that the Fire revenue is down because in 2010, there was a reimbursement from a Hazmat cleanup that did not occur this year and we have not billed the schools for the second half of the school year for the resource officers yet. Chairman Nichols expressed concerns with the low amount being billed to the schools for these two officers. He feels that Winnacunnet District should be charged for benefits paid for these officers. Mr. Welch stated that it is his understanding that the Police Chief has made the school aware of this and they will be charged starting next year. The third question was in regards to the recycling bond and it was not known to Mr. Schwotzer that these payments would be monthly payments starting in September 2011 and therefore was not put into the 2011 budget but is in the 2012 budget. The fourth question was in regards to merit pay and it will be disbursed in December payroll. In MIS there was one major failure causing the line item to overspend. The truck for Maintenance of Parks has been encumbered. The under spending in debt service is not included in Year End Savings and there is still one large payment that has to go out in December so this line item will come in closer to budget at year end. The last comment from Mr. Znoj was in regards to the Budget Committee commenting on the large amount of money in the Trust Fund for DPW. It was explained that there are reports on the website and in the Town Report for the Trust Fund and DPW capital equipment and road improvements.

Discussion

Mr. Znoj wonders how much has been spent on roads from the Capital Reserve Fund and nothing has been spent from this fund yet in 2011. Mr. Znoj wonders what we plan to do with the \$311,000 in road improvements and why someone would vote for more money on roads with all this money sitting there. The warrant article was specific in the roads to be improved. Mr. Welch pointed out that all the information was presented to the Board last week in regards to road improvements, sewer and drain improvements, and other items.

Chairman Nichols asked Mr. Welch if he contemplates on coming to the December 28th meeting with any substantial spending amounts. Mr. Welch believes that there are some items coming from DPW, Fire, and Police. Which will impact when Mr. Schwotzer closes at the end of the month.

b. Compensated Leave Trust Fund Warrant Article

Mr. Schwotzer provided information to the Board in regards to a possible warrant article for a Compensated Leave Trust Fund. Since there will be a change in use there will be a 2/3rds vote required on this warrant article for it to pass. He has prepared an analysis for the Board spreading from 2005 to 2011. The average annual payout of accrued vacation/leave time to employees is 90% of the budgeted amount; we budgeted out \$332k. In the last 7 years, the high was 161% of budget with the low at 41% of budget. That is a \$400k swing. The Town

currently owes \$1.2M of accrued leave to employees, many of whom are eligible to retire. This is considered an unfunded balance. The decision to retire is up to the employee and they only need give 14 – 60 days notice. This can occur at any time during the year. If employees decided to leave early in the year, the BOS has time to fund any shortfall through budget transfers. If employees decided to leave late in the year, there may not be any “yearend savings” available to fund the shortfall. The BOS needs a long-term vehicle to deal with these potential shortfalls. Funding the Compensated Leave Trust Fund would allow access to monies to cover this shortfall without impacting the annual budget. This fund could also be used to pay for other retirement related costs – Spiking being the specific example.

Discussion

Chairman Nichols would like to comment that spiking will kick in July 1st of next year, this is an unknown exposure, and nothing is budgeted for this. There are two competing LSR; one to eliminate spiking charges and another with different calculations involved. He feels that if we do not address spiking, we could have a real problem and we do not have it in the budget, as we don’t know what it is. The 1.2M is an open liability.

Mr. Znoj confirmed that currently if there is money left in this account it goes into the Compensated Leave Trust Fund.

Mr. Lally pointed out that the more changes the Retirement System to the detriment of retirees, the more retirements you will see.

Chairman Nichols pointed out how there are years with \$535k and \$300+k and only \$200k budgeted.

Mr. Griffin wonders how many other Town’s have funds to address these issues. There are several, and some Town's have a bigger problem.

Chairman Nichols explained that the warrant article would allow it to be used for leave payouts along with any other retirement issues that come up such as spiking.

Mr. Znoj confirmed that we are asking to budget \$312,000 and an additional \$110,000 to be put into this fund.

Chairman Nichols explained that that amount in the warrant article would not necessarily be the same amount that will be asked for each year.

Mr. Pierce looks at this like an insurance policy for these specific purposes.

There was a discussion on seniority factoring into the number of retirements, changes to retirement and large balances held by some employees.

Chairman Nichols explained that the original 2009 article would allow the Town to move money left in this account into the Compensated Leave Trust Fund as opposed to the undesignated fund balance.

There was a discussion on whether or not there should be one or two warrant articles. The Board agreed to have one article to include the language change and the funding to come out of the undesignated fund balance.

Mr. Znoj thinks that some of the language in the article needs to change since no one can understand this.

Chairman Nichols stated that the Board does need to agree on an amount somewhere between \$100,000 and \$250,000. Chairman Nichols, Mr. Pierce, and Mr. Lally would tend to lean to the \$250,000. Mr. Znoj is not in favor of the \$250,000 but closer to \$100,000 and Mr. Griffin tends to agree. The Board agreed to put the amount of \$100,000 in Compensated Leave Trust Fund.

Chairman Nichols MOTIONED to transfer the year-end savings into the Compensated Leave Trust Fund. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

Mr. Pierce MOTIONED for the amount in the Compensated Leave Trust Fund to be \$100,000 for the 2012 Warrant Article. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

IV. Town Manager's Report

1. The Board will find on the New Business a request from the Auditors to approve a Fund Balance Policy in accordance with the new GASB State 54 Accounting Standards. It is being passed on for your review and action by both the Finance Director and myself.
2. I noted during the week a request from the Hampton Firefighters that toys for older children are in very short supply. There are collection boxes at the Fire Stations and Town Offices. The Toy drive is requesting toys for older children.
3. Please make note that the Town Offices will be closed on Monday December 26 and January 2nd. The Selectmen will be moving their December 26th meeting to December 28th. He added that the Town Clerks Office does close at 11:30 AM on Fridays and has for the last two years. The month closes on a Friday, so please come in earlier during the week and before 11:30 AM on Friday.
4. Please note that the period to file petitioned warrant articles for Zoning Amendments has passed. Petitioned warrant articles for Town Meeting articles will close at 5PM on January 10th.
5. The balance of the report concerns warrant articles and will be under old business.

Other items of Town Manager's report

Mr. Noyes would like to remind residents that the Transfer Station will be closed on Sunday December 25th and Monday December 26th and Sunday January 1st and Monday January 2nd.

Have a request from the Tax Collector to accept a property tax payment agreement for property map 163 lot 66.

There is an Entertainment License for Ocean Front Gaming, which has been approved by the Fire Chief.

Discussion

Mr. Griffin wonders what age older children are and Mr. Welch would guess 10 or 12.

Mr. Griffin confirmed the meeting on December 22nd with the DOT Commissioner regarding the sidewalks.

Mr. Lally MOTIONED to approve the Tax Payment Agreement on Tax Map 163, Lot 66.
Mr. Pierce SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

There was a discussion that the only hold up on this was approval from the Fire Chief, where the Fire Department was requesting additional information on the building before approving it. The Board has received the Fire Department's approval.

Mr. Znoj MOTIONED to approve the Entertainment License of Ocean Front Gaming at 81 Ocean Blvd. Mr. Griffin SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

V. Old Business

1. 2012 Warrant Articles

Mr. Welch explained that the Board has discussed 12 and there are 10 more warrant articles. The item the Board cannot discuss tonight would be the sewer agreement with North Hampton. Mr. Welch read the articles that have been discussed along with the ones they have not discussed.

Discussion

It was discussed that Atty. Gearreald has been working mostly on the money articles. There is also a need for the copies received by the Board to be dated with the revised date.

Chairman Nichols thinks that for the next meeting the Board needs to have a new copy of the warrant articles.

Mr. Znoj asked about a list of encumbrances from Mr. Schwotzer and this will come to the Board after year-end. Mr. Znoj asked about encumbering money and then asking for additional money in a warrant article. He does not think this is a good way to be operating. Mr. Welch explained that Mr. Noyes is encumbering money for sewer systems, drains, and road improvements. Mr. Znoj thinks this information needs to be much clearer for the Board than it has been presented in the past. Mr. Znoj will go back through the information and call Mr. Noyes with any further questions.

Mr. Welch thinks that the budget warrant article can be released once the amount is looked at by Mr. Schwotzer.

The Board will get a complete package next week. They also discussed possible CBA's and the Board will be meeting with Matt Upton before the Selectmen's meeting article on December 28th.

There was an additional discussion that roads, drains, and sewers will be altogether next year.

Chairman Nichols pointed out that the Grist Mill article went up to \$34,000 from the \$20,000. Mr. Znoj commented on the great detail provided with this article.

VI. New Business

1. Fund Balance Policy

Mr. Welch explained they have received information from the auditors suggesting that the Town in accordance with the GASB State 54 new Accounting Standard, that the Board enact GASB 54 for fund balance reporting. Mr. Welch recommends that they taken out sections five and seven, Mr. Welch explained the confusion around these items, and that the Town has currently have a policy that governs those sections.

Mr. Pierce MOTIONED to approve the Fund Balance Policy as presented to the Board with the amendment removing items five and seven. Mr. Znoj SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0-0

VII. Consent Agenda

1. DRA form CD-57-S Article 40 (Holmes and Ells property)
2. Hampton Cemetery Deed – Cullen
3. Hampton Cemetery Deed – Appelbe
4. Hampton Cemetery Deed – Whitley
5. ~~5 Gray Avenue – Property Tax Payment Agreement~~
6. 5 Gray Avenue – Deed Waiver
7. 419 Ocean Boulevard (Beachcomber Motel) – Deed waiver
8. Acceptance of Tax Collector's deed Vacant parcel on Route 101 (Parcel 19-1)

Discussion

Item number 5 was approved above under the Town Manager's report.

Mr. Griffin MOTIONED to MOVE the consent agenda with the exception of item #5. Mr. Lally SECONDED.

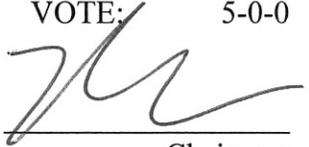
VOTE: 5-0-0

VIII. Closing Comments - None

IX. Adjournment

Mr. Pierce MOTIONED to adjourn the public meeting and SECONDED by Mr. Znoj.

VOTE: 5-0-0


Chairman

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