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April 25, 2016

PRESENT: Jim Waddell, Vice-Chairman
Rick Griffin, Selectman
Phil Bean, Selectman
Regina Barnes, Selectman
Frederick Welch, Town Manager

ABSENT: Rusty Bridle, Chairman

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

I. Recognition of Service

Selectman Barnes presented Eileen Latimer with a plaque for her 15 years of service on the Municipal Budget Committee. Ms. Latimer accepted her award stating that it was her pleasure to serve.

Selectman Bean: Sandra Nickerson who was to attend this evening, emailed me that she was unable to attend due to a family emergency, and I request that we reschedule her for another date.

Selectman Waddell: we had plaques for Sandra Nickerson, Mary-Louise Woolsey and Dennis Blaine, but they were unable to attend.

II. Public Comment Period (7:20)

Norman Silberdick: speaking on behalf of rational taxpayers of Hampton; one of the goals is to function for the taxpayers and are sticklers as to rules, processes and procedures concerning the town's business; concerned with being sued by Waste Management because not following purchasing policies correctly. Encumbrances are of great concern; need to get bids and have proper procedure; ask on behalf of the rational taxpayers of Hampton that you go back and look at all encumbrances to see if they meet the definition that it is a legally binding contract and doubts you find that is the case; respectfully request you do this.

Rayann Dionne: wants to remind property owners in Hampton that they are holding their second annual Rain Garden cost share grant opportunity; helps install rain garden; owner only responsible for 25% of cost, up to \$75; applications available at town hall.

Candy Stellmach: wants to know if the warrant article that said cannot put fertilizer within 100' of streams; would like update on the Grist Mill.

III. Announcements and Community Calendar

Selectman Griffin: representatives from the State DOT are meeting May 19, 2016 at 5:30 before the regular meeting of the Hampton Area Commission.

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Selectman Waddell: May 2, 2016 at 10:00am in Representative's Hall will be a discussion the topic is Primary Physician's Perspective on the Opiate Crisis; will be an hour long and will take questions from audience.

IV. Consent Agenda (14:40)

1. 2016 Veteran Requalifications: Krauklin, Peter VET \$500 193/42; Lee, Terry VET & TOTAL \$1,900 266/28/12; Tremblay, Mary Luedeka VET \$500 193/19
2. 2016 New Veteran: Dineen, Peter VET \$500 188/7/A; Long, Pamela SPOUSE \$500 91/15
3. 2016 Elderly Requalifications: Bowden, Sarah ELDERLY \$150,000 72/20
4. 2016 New Elderly: Linehan, Joyce ELDERLY \$120,000 177/41; Mearls, Giovannia ELDERLY \$178,000 127/61; Richardson, Mary ELDERLY \$150,000 275/14; Ruggiero, Ronald ELDERLY \$120,000 282/29/B
5. 2016 New Disabled: Benn, Deborah DISABLED \$125,000 123/1/21
6. Library Trustee Appointment: Elizabeth Keroack
7. Parade & Public Gathering License: McCarthy Strong 05/21/16
8. Entertainment Licenses and Posted Permits: Mac Restaurant Group dba World's Greatest Karaoke Bar – 9A Ocean Blvd; Boardwalk Café – 139 Ocean Blvd; The Victorian Inn – 430 High Street
9. Accept Donation from Waterline Industries of a Penn Valley Sludge Pump

Selectman Barnes MOTIONED to MOVE the Consent Agenda SECONDED by Selectman Griffin.

VOTE: 4-0-0

V. Appointments (15:50)

1. Berk Bennett, Commander American Legion Post 35
 - a. Memorial Day Ceremonies

Commander Bennett: Memorial Day services begin at 8:00am at Hampton Beach at the Marine Memorial; ceremony at 9:00am on Weare Common in Hampton Falls; 10:00am North Hampton Parade starts, followed by services in front of North Hampton Town Hall on Atlantic Avenue; 11:30am the Hampton Parade begins, followed by the ceremony in the High Street Cemetery. August 26, 2016 is the 9th Annual Wounded Warrior Program at North Beach, Hampton; Global War on Terrorism monument rededication ceremony is September 11, 2016; November 11, 2016 is the Veterans Day ceremony at the Hampton Beach Marine Memorial @ 8:00am; Weare Common, Hampton Falls @ 9:00am; North Hampton @ 10:00am and in Hampton @ 11:00am. Post 35 is involved in fundraising, and would like to thank those who have shown their supported. Some of the fundraisers this year are: sponsor car show, North Hampton Airfield May 7, 2016 at 8am-2pm; yard sale at the Post on May 14, 2016, all donations welcome; golf tournament June 3, 2016 at the Breakfast Hill Golf Club in Greenland. Post 35 is charter organization of Boy Scout Troop 177 with their help flags decorate all veterans grave in the cemeteries; Charlie Gasperoni will become Troop 177 50th Eagle Scout; on Flag Day June 14, 2016 will honorably dispose of unserviceable flags at the Fire Department; scholarships; donates Thanksgiving baskets. Last June we participated in the services for Elmer Richard of Exeter who died while a POW during the Korean War; his remains were repatriated last spring. Would like to thank the following for their support and

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assistance: the Board of Selectmen, Fred Welch, Kristina Ostman, Desi Lanio, and Rev. Tim Lewis.

Selectman Barnes: great news to hear.

Selectman Griffin: thank you for coming on tonight.

Selectman Bean: wonderful organization, thank you for everything you do.

Selectman Waddell: thank you and all the members for everything you do for Hampton.

VI. Approval of Minutes (26:47)

1. April 11, 2016

Page 4: Correct last name "Claire" to "Player"

Selectman Bean MOTIONED to APPROVE the Minutes of April 11, 2016 SECONDED by Selectman Griffin.

VOTE: 4-0-0

2. April 18, 2016

Selectman Bean MOTIONED to APPROVE the Minutes of April 18, 2016 SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

VII. Town Manager's Report (27:35)

1. Please do not forget that Town wide cleanup is this week involving yard wastes except branches or wood, just grass, leaves and similar items.
2. Please license your dog. Your dog's current license expires this Saturday, April 30th.
3. Please be aware that the Town Clerk closes at 11:30 AM on Fridays. This Friday being the end of the month please come in for your new registration early in the week or renew on line.
4. Requested JOP be renewed from the State's Resources and Economic Development, one change was to go from regular colored bags to coded. Amend agreement to give the State access to the beach to the last 30' of Bicentennial Park. Place on agenda May 9, 2016.
5. Requests Board to reopen Church Street pump station parking lots.
6. Request from the Grayhurst to use the parking lot on Ashworth Avenue starting this weekend; have already paid fees.

Selectman Barnes MOTIONED to APPROVE the Grayhurst use of the Ashworth Avenue parking lot 15 days early SECONDED by Selectman Bean.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Selectman Griffin: wants to know if they should respond to Mr. Silberdick about the Police Station using the same vendor while still fresh in peoples mind, as he has made accusations, even though he knows why.

Selectman Waddell: would like to bring this up in the next meeting with Attorney Gearreald present to get a clear indication of what took place and why to clear this up.

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Town Manager Welch: the Board in looking at 70+ warrant articles decided that they needed to go through the individual department heads and pick items of an emergency nature, and start the process of making POs up to pay those items. Due the estimate of the incoming revenue at the end of the year, as we were holding funds because of the \$350,000 over run at the DPW. There were two vendors and the vendor selected was the one that originally installed and designed the system, which would be the ideal vendor to reposition it, and they were the low of the two. There have been many times on previous Boards to bid numerous times on a particular item and as we got through the bidders to try and get 3 bidders to qualify under the bid regulations we would end up with no bidders, as they do not want to keep on rebidding.

Selectman Griffin: one reason people do not want to bid for work here in Hampton is because of the controversy always in the newspaper by Rational Taxpayers of Hampton and other things; I think it hurts the town and looks like a very uncooperative place to do business and add to bigger bids when they do come in.

Town Manager Welch: we do have vendors that have told us they would no longer bid for Hampton because of the requirements.

Selectman Griffin: I have heard that from other people.

Selectman Bean: I did not hear what Mr. Silberdick had to say and do not pay much attention to his diatribes as head of the Rational Taxpayers of Hampton, that anonymous organization. Mr. Silberdick is an elected official in Hampton, but likes to wear two hats; secret societies and secret organizations when you assume a mantle of leadership and he is the Chairman of a \$20,000,000 trust fund, I think that is inappropriate. I would like an opinion from our auditors who found no discrepancies last year, a statement particularly to address any assertions that he made, and the Chief of Police be here to offer his input.

VIII. Old Business (39:57)

1. Remove Parking Restriction on Church Street Residential Parking Lot

Selectman Griffin MOTIONED to APPROVE the Removal of the Parking Restriction on Church Street Residential Parking Lot SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

2. Letter of Deficiency Old Mill Pond Dam - Order for Repairs

Town Manager Welch: we had an inspection a couple of weeks ago and received the notice that it was due; they came in, looked and came back with a series of orders for the Town, between June 1, 2016-November 1, 2017, the orders look pretty standard. It is necessary for them to update the operation and maintenance in emergency response and we have a new one, which will be updated and sent back for approval by June 1, 2016. We have December 1, 2016 to submit all the necessary environmental permit applications for the dam reconstruction and dredging. By November 1, 2017 to complete reconstruction of dam in accordance with the permits obtained from the State.

Selectman Bean: wants to know the fiscal impact. Town Manager Welch: believes there are sufficient funds

Selectman Griffin: wants to know the date of letter. Town Manager Welch: April 14, 2016 and received a few days after, which was given to the Board; inspection done on April 6, 2016

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Selectman Griffin: wants to ask the two people present for the input.

Selectman Waddell: wants to know where we sit right now with the reconstruction of the dam.
Town Manager Welch: we are working with engineers and have to start implementing this order immediately

Selectman Waddell: what has the process been since 2015 and why has the dam not been refurbished already. Town Manager Welch: we do not have the engineering data yet and still have one more engineering contract to issue; whatever we do has to meet the requirements of DES, so we are being extremely diligent. Once we have the plans, we go out to bid, which should be mid-year; once we have the costs, we will have decisions to make

Selectman Waddell: will this letter affect the rebuilding of the dam? Town Manager Welch: no, the State is trying to work with us; make sure we progress along for completion sometime in late 2017

Candice Stellmach and Jim Metcalf came forward to speak on the dam.

Mr. Metcalf: was present at the inspection, but has not had opportunity to review the report; trying to make sure hazard is controlled as best it can be until work on the dam is complete; surprised that they are requiring the level to be lowered, wishes it were not necessary; things are moving along well.

Ms. Stellmach: received call from a person who was contacted from an engineering firm to apply the historical register to try to save money and not redo a lot of work they had redone previously.

Selectman Waddell: can we put the letter on the website? Town Manager Welch: yes.

IX. New Business (58:44)

Amend § 805-45 Speed Limits Established “B. Limit of 25 mile per hour” to add the following streets: Dearborn Avenue; Hackett Lane; Kershaw Avenue, & Moore Avenue

Town Manager Welch: received many complaints with regards to speed on the above mentioned roads, some are very short but people drive in excess of 25 MPH; the Board authorized us to look at the streets and come back with plan; place calming devices to help slow the traffic.

Selectman Waddell: I am amazed that anyone can get more than 25 MPH on those streets, as they are so small, very short streets.

Selectman Griffin MOTIONED to APPROVE the Amendment to § 805-45 Speed Limits Established “B. Limit of 25 mile per hour” to add the following streets: Dearborn Avenue; Hackett Avenue; Kershaw Avenue, & Moore Avenue SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

3. Approve letter to PREP for the PREPA Grant Outreach (1:02:10)

Town Manager Welch: we are engaged in a grant outreach from the Regional Planning Commission dealing with the regional estuary partnership. That grant project cannot be used to meet compliance with EPA municipals. Separate storm sewer systems permits or the MS4 we keep on talking about all the time; this is a requirement of that grant that the Selectman

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authorize a letter to certified that we will not use those funds for MS4 purposes, only for the grant purposes, as the federal law requires that to keep the grant.

Selectman Griffin MOTIONED to APPROVE the letter to PREP for the PREPA Grant Outreach SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

4. Agreement for Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day (1:03:18)

Town Manager Welch: we are going to try to do this at the beginning of June; received contract that was minus a couple of important ingredients; general coverage insurance and workers compensation insurance, so we have inserted them, because of the statutory requirements of the law. With your permission would issue the agreement for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day be June 4, 2016. The Towns of Hampton Falls and Newcastle will participate with us, so will split the costs three ways; and the State is going to participate with us by giving some of the source funds to do this project.

Selectman Griffin MOTIONED to APPROVE the Agreement for Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Selectman Griffin: are the cable people working on getting the consultant that they were talking about.

Selectman Waddell: they are working on that.

X. Closing Comments (1:07:40)

Town Manager Welch: reminder that the next meeting is not until May 9, 2016

XI. Adjournment

Selectman Bean MOTIONED to adjourn the public meeting at 8:03PM SECONDED by Selectman Barnes.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Vice Chairman