

**TOWN OF HAMPTON
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
FEBRUARY 3, 2007
RESULTS OF BALLOTING
MARCH 13, 2007**

Moderator Robert Casassa opened the Deliberative Session of the Hampton Town Meeting at 8:46 on February 2, 2007 in the Winnacunnet High School Community Auditorium. He acknowledged the return of the warrant and indicated it had been posted as required. John Holman let the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and also delivered the invocation.

The Moderator introduced himself as moderator and presented the following town officials: Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Virginia Bridle-Russell, members Bennett Moore, Richard Griffin, William Lally, and James Workman, Chairman of the Municipal Budget Committee; Mary Louise Woolsey, Town Attorney and Acting Town Manager; Mark Gearreald, (he left after Article 9 due to an emergency) Finance Director; Michael Schwotzer, Town Clerk; Arleen Andreozzi, and Administrative Assistant: Maureen Duffy. Also present and seated at the entrance to the auditorium were Supervisors of the Checklist; Marilyn Henderson and Davina Larivee. Assisting them were Dona Janetos, Teresa Ryan and Martha Williams. Assistant Moderators for the day were Denis Kilroy, Nathan Page, Glyn Eastman Howard Stiles, Jr., Gerard Lavallee and Mary Lou Heran.

Moderator Casassa explained the nature and purpose of the meeting and the rules by which the meeting would be conducted. On a motion by Bennett Moore and a second by William Lally it was voted not to read the warrant in its entirety. It was also agreed to allow non-resident department heads to answer any questions that might come before the assembly.

At this time John Nickerson rose to commend members of the Cable Committee and all who made it possible to televise this meeting. He presented a plaque to outgoing members Peter McKinnon and John Donaldson

Articles 1 through 8 were explained but not debated at the first session and are included here for constancy.

Pursuant to a Supreme Court ruling the names on the ballot are listed as determined by a drawing on the day of the first session.

SELECTMAN

Rick Griffin 2131*

TOWN CLERK

Jane Cypher 1959*
Tammy Deland 566

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST

Arleen Andreozzi 2331*

TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS

William A Hartley 559
R Vic Lessard 1283*
Warren J Mackensen 702

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Linda Sadlock 1558*
Gerald "Jerry" Dignam 927

CEMETERY TRUSTEE

Richard W Bateman 2199*

PLANNING BOARD

Fran McMahon 1254*
Ken Sakurai 682

Larry Stuker	473
Sharon Fontaine	743
Keith R Lessard	1393*

MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

Michael Pierce	1178*
Victor R Demarco	1231*
Peter Traynor	933
Mary-Louise Woolsey	1459*
Eileen P Latimer	1071*
Larry Stuker	696
Jennifer Squires	990
Ananta “Art” Gopalan	620

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Dean Savastano	925
Bryan Provencal	1311*

* Denotes winner

ARTICLE 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:
Amend the Zoning Ordinance, 1) **ARTICLE I – GENERAL, Section 1.6 Definitions** to revise the definition of hotel to provide a more explicit and precise definition of a “hotel” so that hotel units (intended for transient use) may be better distinguished from dwelling units (intended for permanent residence) and 2) **ARTICLE VI PARKING, Section 6.3.2** by adding a new requirement for hotels/motels which will be based on sleeping room size as follows:

1) Section 1.6 Definitions

Hotel: A facility offering transient lodging accommodations on a daily rate to the general public and which may provide additional services such as a restaurant, meeting rooms, and recreational facilities for its guests. (Adopted 1991) The following standards are established for the development of hotels:

- a) Use of hotel rooms as permanent residences is prohibited.
- b) Hotel rooms equipped with a refrigerator up to five cubic feet in size, a microwave, a coffee maker and a second sink are exempt from an impact fee assessment. All hotel rooms with a kitchen will be assessed the multi family impact fee.
- c) Each hotel shall have an office for the purpose of operations, including but not limited to maintenance, unit rental and general management. This required office must be located in Hampton. Each hotel must have a 24 hour emergency number.

Condominium Hotel: A building constructed, maintained and operated and managed as a hotel in which each room is individually owned and in which some or all of the rooms are available for rent and where the structure, common areas and facilities are owned by all the owners on a proportional, individual basis.

Cooperative ownership: A multiple-family dwelling owned and maintained by the residents. The entire structure and real property is under common ownership as contrasted to a condominium dwelling where individual units are under separate individual occupant ownership.

Time Share Ownership: Concept of property ownership through which a purchaser receives a)the right in perpetuity, for life or for a term of years, to the recurrent, exclusive use or occupancy of a lot, parcel, unit, or segment of the real property, annually or on some other periodic basis, for a period of time that has been or will be allotted from the use or occupancy periods into which the property has been divided, or b)a property interest in which a license or contractual or membership right of occupancy is not coupled with any title in fee in the real property.

2) **ARTICLE VI PARKING, Section 6.3.2** Hotels/Motels shall provide one parking space for the first 330 square feet of sleeping room space. One additional space shall be provided for hotel sleeping rooms greater than 330

square feet. One additional parking space must be provided by hotels/motels for each sixteen (16) units as guest parking. Sleeping rooms in ~~hotels, motels and~~ rooming houses: One space per sleeping room plus one guest space per sixteen units.

Explained by Chairman of Planning Board, Tracy Emerick.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1914

No 560

The article passed.

ARTICLE 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows: mend the Zoning Ordinance, **ARTICLE II DISTRICTS 1) Section 2.1 Zoning Map** to change a portion of the Residence A & Residence B Zoning Districts to a new designation of Professional/Office Residential (POR) District in the area of Winnacunnet Road and High Street (between Lafayette Road and Mill Road) and 2) **ARTICLE II DISTRICTS** to add a new **Section 2.7 Professional/Office Residential District** as follows:

Section 2.1 Zoning Map

<u>District</u>	<u>Map Symbol</u>
Adult Entertainment	AE
Residence AA	RAA
Residence A	RA
Residence B	RB
Residence C- Seasonal	RCS
Business	B
<u>Professional Office/Residential</u>	<u>POR</u>
Business-Seasonal	BS
Industrial	I
General	G

NOTE: The Zoning Map was changed by amending the portions of the RA and RB zoning districts to POR for the properties which are bounded by the following description: Beginning at the edge of the RB district located at the northwesterly corner of Map 162, Lot 43 proceed south along the westerly property lines of Map 162, Lot 43, Map 177, Lots 1, 5, 11, 15, 19, 22 across Winnacunnet Road to the northeasterly corner of Map 177, Lot 41. Proceed south along the easterly property boundaries of Map 177, Lots 41, 43, 44 to the southeasterly corner of Map 177, Lot 44. Proceed west along the southerly boundary of Map 177, Lot 44 to Map 177, Lot 39 then south along the easterly boundary to the southeast corner of said lot then proceed west along the southerly boundaries of Map 177, Lot 39 and Map 176, Lots 25, 24, 23, 21, 26, 26-1, 18, and 17 to the easterly edge of the existing B district. Proceed north along the edge of the existing B district then east along the same boundary and then north again along same boundary to High Street then east along southerly side of High Street to the point of beginning. The following properties are also changed to be included in the POR district: Map 161, Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10. The following properties are not included in the POR District: Map 161, Lots 29, 30, 31, 32, 34, 35, 36, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50 and 51; Map 176, Lots 1, 2 & 2A, 4, 5 and 6.

Section 2.7 Professional Office / Residential District

A. Purpose. The Professional Office / Residential District (POR) is intended to permit development and continuance of small-scale service and office uses, designed to serve residential neighborhoods and or the Town of Hampton as a whole. Combined commercial-residential (mixed use) structures are appropriate in this district. Parking requirements in this district recognize the pedestrian and transit orientation of customer trips, and the shared use of both on-street and off-street parking. The district is intended to promote the mixed growth of dwellings and employment opportunities that compliment and support the high quality of life found in Hampton.

B. The District Boundaries are as displayed on the Town of Hampton Zoning Map.

C. Use regulations. In the POR, no building or land shall be used, and no building shall be erected, altered or enlarged, which is arranged, intended or designed for other than one or a combination of the following uses:

(1) Principal uses.

a. Single family residential.

b. Professional services (All uses subject to Site Plan Review Approval by the Hampton Planning Board):

1. Artists' studios except tattoo parlors and body piercing studios.

2. Banks, savings and loan associations and other financial institutions, including automatic tellers and accessory drive-up services, provided that there are five on-site reservoir spaces per drive-up window or automatic teller.

3. Clinics, for people only.

4. Governmental Facilities

5. Office buildings.

6. Professional Services such as offices for doctors, attorneys, architects, engineers, accountancies, etc.

6. Photographic studios.

7. Travel agencies

c. Other activities not included in any other category but that are of a compatible nature with surrounding residential uses.

D. Height, setback and area regulations. In the POR, the height of the buildings or structures, the minimum dimensions of lots and yards and the minimum lot area per family permitted on any lot shall be as follows, provided that buildings erected exclusively for dwelling purposes shall comply with the front, side and rear yard requirements shall comply with Hampton zoning for single family residences.

(1) Height. Buildings or structures shall not exceed two and one-half stories or 35 feet in height.

(2) Front setback.

a. Single-family residential dwelling structure shall comply with Town of Hampton zoning for single family structures. All other residential dwelling structures shall conform to the requirements contained in subsection (g), architectural standards.

b. Nonresidential or mixed use structure shall maintain a twenty foot front setback. Mixed use structure shall be defined as a structure containing both residential and nonresidential uses.

(3) Side setbacks.

a. Single family residential dwelling structure shall comply with existing zoning for such structures.

b. Nonresidential or mixed use structure shall maintain a ten foot side setback.

(4) Rear setbacks.

a. Residential dwelling structure.

b. Nonresidential or mixed use structures shall maintain a ten foot rear setback.

(5) Lot area.

The minimum lot area in the district is 10,000 square feet.

E. Parking and loading regulations. Loading regulations for all uses and parking for buildings erected exclusively for dwelling purposes shall be as found in the Town of Hampton Zoning Ordinance. There are no minimum non-residential parking requirements in this district. An individual non-residential use must provide parking deemed adequate during the site plan review process. Multiple tenants in a common structure or structures sharing a common wall shall be considered an individual use for purposes of this calculation. Provision for off-street parking must be made and all parking areas must be screened as described in section (g) below.

F. Signs. Signs shall be allowed as permitted by the Town of Hampton Zoning Ordinance. All signage location must be approved during the individual site plan review process. Signs must be in character with surrounding uses and construction materials for signs shall mimic those used in the construction of the subject business. For purposes of this district, "a licensed or unlicensed vehicle, boat or trailer displaying advertising copy, other than an operable vehicle used in the daily conduct of business, is considered a sign, and is prohibited."

G. Maximum building size. No building in this district shall exceed 7,000 square feet in area for any single floor. "Building" for this purpose is defined as a separate structure or a building or tenant space sharing a common wall through which no access is allowed.

H. Architectural standards.

(1) Screening. Parking for non-residential or mixed use structures must be screened from residential abutters by a wall, fence, landscaping or berm between 18 inches and 42 inches in height.

Roof-mounted mechanical equipment must be screened from the view of the street and adjacent property.

Dumpsters and other waste receptacles must be enclosed by a solid wall or fence at least as high as the receptacles.

(2) Lighting. Floodlights or lights which illuminate open areas in connection with any of the uses listed in this section shall be so arranged as to reflect the light away from any adjoining residential property, and the intensity shall not exceed two lux measured at any property line.

Explained by Mr. Emerick

Arthur Moody challenged the article because of the process by which this article was put on the ballot. This changes an historic area to residence/professional office. Residents have not been forewarned of a language change that was made after second hearing. No standards have been set and restrictions have not assigned such as frontage, lot width. This is degrading the zone.

Moderator explained that no motion could be made on this article.

Ann Kaiser questioned if the town be sued. Attorney Mark Gearreald said that there were a number of options and that was one of them.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1637

No 883

The article passed.

ARTICLE 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Amend ARTICLE III - USE REGULATION to provide revised descriptions for certain use categories as follows:

3.5 Retail Sales (as defined in Section 1.6-Definitions)

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	P	P	P	P

(Amended 1996)

3.6 Lodging Houses as defined in Section 1.6 - Definitions*

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	S*	X*	P*	P*	X	X

*(Amended 1991)

3.14 Race tracks, roller-skating rinks, mechanical amusement rides or similar commercial amusements, either

indoor or outdoor. *

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

*(Amended 1985)

3.22 Banks, offices and professional establishments, such as insurance agencies, real estate offices, attorney offices, medical professionals and/or other similar businesses, providing direct services to consumers. *

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	P	P	P	P

3.23 Theaters and halls devoted to showing motion pictures or for drama, dance, musical or other live performances. *

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	P	P	P	P

3.24 Health/Athletic Clubs, service clubs or fraternal organizations, and their premises catering to members and their guests, or to the public, for social, intellectual or recreational purposes. *

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	P	P*	P	P

*(Amended 1991)

3.25a Beauty and Barber Shops, Nail Salons, Cosmetologists, Spas, skin care therapies, tanning salons, massage therapists, and other like beauty-health service facilities as regulated by the State of New Hampshire (RSA 313-A)*

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	P	P	P	P

*(Amended 2003)

3.28 Coal, coke, wood and building material yards and landscape materials storage and sales. (Amended 1996)*
 Replace with Storage and/or sales yards for coal, cordwood, building materials and landscape materials.

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	P	P	P	P

*(Amended 1996)

3.43 Dealer as defined in Section 1.6 - Definitions*

RAA	RA	RB	RCS	B	BS	I	G
X	X	X	X	R	X	X	X

*(Adopted 1997)

Moved by Denis Kilroy

Seconded by Tracey Emerick who explained the purpose of the article

Arthur Moody stated this article started out with 15 amendments as housekeeping articles. Now the article is an expanding use article.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1352

No 693

The article passed.

ARTICLE 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:
Amend the Zoning Ordinance, **ARTICLE IV – DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS, Table II (1,2,9)**, Section 4.1.1 to revise the duplex provision in the Residence B Zoning District for minimum lot area per dwelling unit to eliminate the conflict between Sections 4.1 and 4.2 as follows:
Section 4.1.1 Min. lot area per dwelling unit (sq. feet) in the RB District shall be changed from ~~7,500~~ to 5,000.

Mr. Emerick this article is two resolve a conflict between two articles with different minimum requirements.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1337

No 1018

The article passed.

ARTICLE 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:
Amend the Zoning Ordinance 1) **ARTICLE VI – PARKING, Section 6.3** to revise the parking requirements to further specify that parking must be on-site and clarify that stacked parking for Condominium Conversions of Pre-existing Non-Conforming Uses shall constitute one parking space and 2) **Section 1.6 Definitions, Parking Space** by adding a definition of **Stacked Parking** as follows:
Section 6.3.9 – All parking must be on site ~~or be assured perpetual existence by easement.~~ (Adopted 1983)
Section 6.3.10 – Condominium Conversions of Pre-existing Non-conforming Uses: At least one (1) assigned 9'x 18' parking space per unit must be provided on-site. (Adopted 2006) Add the wording Stacked parking shall constitute one parking space regardless of the number of parking spaces in the stack.

Section 1.6 – Definitions, Parking Space:

Stacked parking means a parking situation where more than one space exists in a line of spaces and only one space in the line has unobstructed access at all times into or out of the adjacent street or right-of-way.

Explained by Mr. Emerick.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1743

No 643

The article passed.

ARTICLE 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:
Amend the Zoning Ordinance, **ARTICLE VIII – MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS, Section 8.2.1** to exempt the current Hampton Beach Village District area from the requirement of providing 400 square feet of recreational area per unit, as follows:
Section 8.2.1 Multi-family dwellings shall provide a minimum of 400 square feet of recreation area per dwelling unit, except in the current Hampton Beach Village District area where such requirement shall not apply.

Mr. Emerick explained the article.

Mr. Moody questioned why the planning board is including in this article an area where there is a separate voting district.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1425

No 1011

The article passed.

ARTICLE 8

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board as follows:

Amend the Zoning Ordinance, **ARTICLE XI – CONSTRUCTION PROVISIONS, Section 11.4 Sprinkler Systems** to update the wording for sprinkler systems and the fire alarm system to bring it into compliance with current code and systems as follows:

Section 11.4a) No building used or designed for permanent or temporary human residence, other than single family dwellings shall be permitted to be constructed after the date of enactment of this section, of three or more stories or six or more attached wood frame living units being two stories in height, unless furnished with a sprinkler system installed in accordance with standards set forth in the State Building Code/National Fire Prevention Code, 1987 Edition and NFPA Standard 13, 13D or here applicable, 13R residential sprinkler systems. Replace with most recent.

Section 11.4.c) Sprinkler systems installed meeting NFPA Standard 13 shall be connected to the ~~Hampton Municipal Fire Alarm System via Master Box~~. Installation shall conform to the minimum requirements of the Hampton Fire Department. Replace with UL listed central station monitoring company.

Mr. Emerick explained the article.

Fire Chief Lipe stated this amendment is to bring the ordinance up to date.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2160

No 432

The article passed.

ARTICLE 9

Shall the Town of Hampton raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special or individual warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth in the budget posted with the warrant, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$23,609,157? Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$24,302,591 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town Meeting or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required)

NOTE: This Warrant Article (Operating Budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.

***Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen**

****Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Seconded by Bonnie Searle.

Mrs. Woolsey thanked the members of the budget committee for their work this year. She stated that by a count of eleven to four the budget committee voted to present a budget that was the same as last year. She explained how they reached the figure and she urged the voters to focus on the dollars.

Selectmen William Lally offered an amendment to the article to increase the budget to \$24,764,301.

Seconded by Paul Sullivan.

Mr. Lally stated he is the Selectmen Representative to the budget committee. He explained the budget cannot be held to a flat-line budget as needs and prices of these need increase. The committee added increases in fire and police and did not allow an increase in the budget.

Mrs. Searle presented the Moderator with a written request signed by five voters for a secret ballot on the amendment.

Selectman Moore commented that this was not restoring the selectmen's budget but is a new amount with a reduction of \$7000 dollars.

Selectman Virginia Bridle-Russell displayed a graphic showing where the money was added and the reasons for the increase and estimated that it would amount to a \$.48 per thousand increase on the tax bill.

Ms. Kaiser in favor of amendment saying that Hampton has a low rate when compared to other towns in NH.

Michael Pierce, Budget Committee spoke against the amendment, noting he received a number of calls from citizens concerned about their tax bills. Some people are living on a fixed income and can no longer afford taxes.

Warren Silberdick, also a budget committee member, is against amendment saying it comes down to what the voters can afford.

Joyce Sheehan, Tax Collector, spoke in favor of amendment recounting the cost to rent a cottage for a couple of weeks in the summer is more than taxes on house. She named the tax exemptions that are available to the elderly and to veterans.

Russell Bernstein, Budget Committee member, spoke in favor of the amendment saying the town has had a default budget for a number of years and has had to curtail certain projects as a result. As the amount of money goes down services are cut.

Mr. Moody asked if the budget is the manager's budget of last year. Mrs. Woolsey answered that no line items were changed and the reduction is in the bottom line. Mr. Moody then asked if we have an undesignated fund balance from 2006. Michael Schwotzer, Finance Director, stated the balance is \$ 769551.

At this time Brian Lacey made a motion to move the question.

The Moderator stated there were a number of speakers waiting to be heard and he would entertain that motion after they spoke.

Mr. Demarco spoke in favor of amendment saying the town portion is 41% of the actual taxes and is \$7.96 of the 19.00 tax rate. He questioned the method the committee used to reach this figure.

Mark Gerreald thanked the budget committee for the courtesy they extended and the department heads for the time put into preparing a budget. However he noted the amount the budget committee has recommended is \$700,000 lower than expenses we have to cover by law. If the budget committee article goes forward we will be in the same position as the town was in 2005 when we had to cut personnel.

Michael Scanlon rose on a Point of Order saying a motion to move the question had been made. The moderator stated he would take the vote after the next speaker.

Frederick Rice supports the amendment, as the budget set forth by the budget committee is not reasonable.

The moderator asked if the voters were ready to vote on the amendment. All agreed.

The voting began at 11:05 and ended at 11:35.

The results of the vote are: YES 147 NO 71

The Lally amendment passed.

The operating budget is now \$24,764,301.

The moderator asked if there was any further discussion and seeing there was none stated the article will be on the ballot as amended.

It was voted to restrict reconsideration on Article 9.

**At a Selectmen's meeting after the Town Meeting it was voted to 'Recommend' Article 9. It appeared on the ballot as "Recommended by the Board of Selectmen".*

***At a similar meeting after the Town Meeting the Budget Committee voted to 'Not Recommend' Article 9. It appeared on the ballot as "Not recommended by the Budget Committee".*

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1175

No 1548

The article failed.

ARTICLE 10

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500 to pay to the Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce to help defray the expenses of the 2007 Children's Christmas Parade and related activities? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Bennett Moore.
Seconded by Richard Griffin.

No discussion and the article will be on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1939

No 805

The article passed.

ARTICLE 11

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,000 from revenues generated from the Police Forfeiture Fund, a Special Revenue Fund created by Article 55 of the 2003 Town Meeting to carry out all lawful functions allowed under federal, state and local criminal justice forfeiture programs? Adoption of this article will have no effect on the Town's tax rate. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by William Lally
Seconded by Bennett Moore

No discussion and the article will be on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2094

No 629

The article passed.

ARTICLE 12

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,000 from revenues generated from the Hampton Cable TV Local Origination Fund, a Special Revenue Fund created by Article 21 of the 2000 Town Meeting and funded with revenues generated from the Cable TV local origination franchise agreement funds, to upgrade, expand, and enhance the development of the local origination channel? Adoption of this article will have no effect on the Town's tax rate. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Mr. Griffin.
Seconded by Mr. Workman.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2049

No 668

The article passed.

ARTICLE 13

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,300 generated from the sale of town-owned cemetery lots, to the Cemetery Burial Trust Fund; the interest from this Fund is withdrawn annually and deposited in the Town’s General Fund as an offset to the amount appropriated in the operating budget for the maintenance of the cemeteries. (Majority vote required)

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved by Mr. Griffin
Seconded by Bennett Moore

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2251

No 454

The article passed.

ARTICLE 14

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,800 to defray the costs of services by the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) provided to Hampton residents? (Majority vote required)

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved by William Lally
Seconded by Richard Griffin

No discussion and the article will be on the ballot as written

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2238

No 510

The article passed.

ARTICLE 15

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,500 to fund the Social Service Agency Funding Request from “A Safe Place” in Portsmouth NH. A Safe Place provides shelter, support, and advocacy to victims of Domestic Abuse as well as Education about abuse to students and Civic Groups. Without the support of the towns that benefit from A Safe Place services, this valuable organization might be unable to continue in their mission. (Majority vote required)

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved William Lally.
Seconded by Virginia Bridle-Russell.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2000

No 681

The article passed.

ARTICLE 16

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to defray the costs provided to Hampton residents by Cross Roads House, Inc.? Cross Roads House provides emergency and transitional shelter to homeless families and individuals. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Virginia Bridle-Russell .
Seconded by William Lally.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

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Yes 1855

No 813

The article passed.

ARTICLE 17

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000 for the purpose of helping to defray the cost of homecare services provided to low-income, medically fragile elderly Hampton residents by Area Home Care & Family Services, Inc.? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Richard Griffin.
Seconded by Bennett Moore.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2183

No 501

The article passed.

ARTICLE 18

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000 for **The Richie McFarland Children's Center** (\$300 for each child from Hampton receiving services in the last program year – 20 children served). (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by William Lally.
Seconded by Virginia Bridle-Russell.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1985

No 662

The article passed.

ARTICLE 19

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to Sexual Assault Support Services (SASS), a private non-profit organization? SASS provides a 24-hours toll-free crisis hotline and support group for

Hampton residents who are survivors of sexual assault and childhood sexual abuse, as well as education and prevention programs to children, teens and parents. (Majority vote required)

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved by William Lally
Seconded by James Workman.

Helena Barthell spoke against funding this organization because the major funding comes from drug manufacturers advocating the morning after pill.

No other discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1976

No 690

The article passed.

ARTICLE 20

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$7,500 for Seacoast Hospice, a non-profit organization? (Majority vote required)

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved by Rick Griffin.
Seconded by Bennett Moore.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2192

No 500

The article passed.

ARTICLE 21

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to defray the costs of services provided to Hampton residents by Seacoast Youth Services (SYS)? SYS is seeking funding to support a variety of substance abuse prevention and intervention services in school and community based settings. Particular student assistance services (e.g. assessment, education and intervention) are provided for Winnacunnet High School students. Other school based prevention education and support services are provided to SAU 21 middle school students and the community at large. Such services include, but are not limited to, substance abuse prevention (Project Alert-national model program), wraparound support services, anger management/ self control skills, leadership/resiliency promotion and community service. SYS is coordinating a Lower Seacoast Youth Coalition of public and private partners, including professionals, parents and youth, to address issues of concern and opportunities for building strong and safe communities in the lower seacoast of New Hampshire. All services provided by SYS are specifically for the residents of The SAU21 school district. SYS has been providing services in the Seacoast for six years. (Majority vote required)

**Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved by William Lally
Seconded by Bennett Moore

Victor Maloney, director of the program explained the article and asked for support.

No other discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1868

No 775

The article passed.

ARTICLE 22

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to defray the costs of services provided to Hampton residents by Child & Family Services? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Bennett Moore.

Seconded by William Lally.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1839

No 797

The article passed.

ARTICLE 23

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to support the health services offered by SeaCare Health Services to the uninsured, working families who are residents of the Town? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by James Workman.

Seconded by Virginia Bridle-Russell.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1840

No 800

The article passed.

ARTICLE 24

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,700 to defray the costs of services to Hampton residents by AIDS Response-Seacoast, a non-profit corporation, in providing direct services to persons with HIV infection or AIDS, and in providing education and prevention programs that inform the public how to stop the spread of HIV infection? (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Richard Griffin.

Seconded by William Lally.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1682

No 945

The article passed.

ARTICLE 25

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to amend Chapter 2, Article 6 "Sewage Use and Construction Ordinance" by adding the following words to Section 2:603 (b) -- the "or municipal storm sewer system" and "connection to municipal storm drain system shall require the prior written approval of the Director of Public Works" -- so that it reads:

It shall be unlawful to discharge to any natural outlet *or municipal storm sewer system* within the Town of Hampton, or in any area under the jurisdiction of said Town, any wastewater or other polluted waters, except where suitable treatment has been provided in accordance with subsequent provisions of this Ordinance. *Connection to municipal storm drain system shall require the prior written approval of the Director of Public Works.*

Moved by Bennett Moore.
Seconded by William Lally.

John Hangen, Director of Public Works, spoke on the article saying this is to conform to Federal Regulations and is an effort to protect our marshes.

Ellen Goethel , Chairperson of the Conservation Commission is in favor of the article which will protect the marsh.

David Lang asked for a definition of "waste water". Mr. Hangen answered from a practical point of view it is untreated waste and would include companies that might discharge water from carpet cleaning, swimming pools. Mr. Lang is concerned because while he is in favor of protecting the marshes, he questioned if sump pumps are included. Mr. Hangen stated sump pumps are considered storm water and not untreated wastewater.

David Goethel spoke in favor of the article stating that chlorinated water is toxic to some fish.

No further discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2109

No 505

The article passed.

ARTICLE 26

(As Petitioned)

"To see if the Town of Hampton will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Sixty five hundred dollars (\$6,500) for the purpose of defraying the cost of services provided to the Town of Hampton and its residents by Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Greater Seacoast." (Majority vote required)

***Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved by Richard Griffin.
Seconded by William Lally.

George Toscano stated the Big Brothers Big Sisters organization provides services to those in need.

Mr. Moore questioned amount of services in previous years and the number town providing funds.

Mr. Silberdick asked to board of selectmen to reconsider their recommendation based on the work the foundation does.

Lucille Karatzas spoke of the benefits of the program.

No further discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

**At a Selectmen's meeting after the Town Meeting it was voted to 'Recommend' Article 26. It appeared on the ballot as "Recommended by the Budget Committee".*

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1676

No 999

The article passed.

ARTICLE 27

(As Petitioned)

We, the undersigned residents of Hampton, Petition the Town of Hampton to place on the Warrant the request to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$3,930 to support Rockingham Nutrition & Meals On Wheels Program's service providing meals for older, homebound and disabled Hampton residents in the Town's 2007 Budget. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Bennett Moore.

Seconded by William Lally.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2294

No 437

The article passed.

ARTICLE 28

(As Petitioned)

We, the undersigned Hampton Town voters, support the following warrant article: To see if the Town of Hampton will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,000.00 in their 2007 Budget for the support of Seacoast Mental Health Center, Inc. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Virginia Bridle-Russell.

Seconded by Bennett Moore.

Lucille Karatzas explained the work of the Seacoast Mental Health Center.

No further discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1756

No 930

The article passed.

ARTICLE 29

(As Petitioned)

To see if the Town of Hampton will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars for the purpose of funding New Generation Shelter, which houses seven pregnant or parenting women and their children at a time from Hampton and surrounding communities, and provides counseling, parenting education, life skills,

transportation to partnering agencies, and aftercare to all residents. For more information, visit www.newgennh.com or call 603-436-4989. (Majority vote required)

***Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved by Virginia Bridle-Russell.
Seconded by James Workman.

Emelia Graceffa spoke on the article remunerating the services the organization provides.

Ellen Latimer also favors the article.

No additional discussion and the article will be on the ballot as written

Motion to Restrict Reconsideration of articles 1-29 by David Lang and seconded by Vic Lessard. All approved.

**At a Selectmen's meeting after the Town Meeting it was voted to 'Recommend' Article 29. It appeared on the ballot as "Recommended by the Board of Selectmen".*

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1713

No 981

The article passed.

ARTICLE 30

(As Petitioned)

On petition of Bridgit Valgenti, 8 Wayside Farm Lane and 25 registered voters: Shall the town of Hampton, NH raise and appropriate \$840,000 for constructing a sidewalk on Mill Road, North from the intersection of Ann's Lane to the North Hampton Town Line? (Majority vote required)

**Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen
Not Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved by Vic Lessard.
Seconded by Jack Lessard.

Bridget Valgenti spoke on the article stating it is a very dangerous situation on Mill Road. The new developments have increased the vehicle and pedestrian traffic and This road has become a cut through road. One and two tenths miles of sidewalk is needed. She explained how she arrived at the dollar amount for engineering and materials.

Ms Latimer lives on Mill Road and she spoke against article because of the amount but agrees it is a dangerous road.

Mr.Lang asked if there is a priority list of sidewalks and where does this project fit in? Mr. Hangen said is scheduled right after the storm water project. (laughter) Mr. Lang said we need to prioritize our needs and follow the projection.

Frederick Rice spoke against this article and offered to amend the article and lower the dollar amount down to 0.
Seconded by Penny Hamilton.

Mr. Hangen agrees the town needs sidewalks and there has been a plan but there are other issues that prevail.
Additional debate followed and when everyone was heard the Moderator called for a hand vote

The Amendment failed on a counted hand vote yes 27 no 55.

Article 30 will be on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 414

No 2305

The article failed.

ARTICLE 31

(As Petitioned)

“To see if the Town of Hampton will vote to **raise and appropriate** through petitioned warrant article, the sum of \$40,000 for support of the “free care” the Seacoast Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) provides to Hampton residents. This is a level funding request. The Seacoast VNA is a non-profit agency that provides home and community health care services regardless of the person’s ability to pay for those services.” (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by William Lally.

Seconded by Bennett Moore.

It was voted to let a non resident speak on the article.

N. Burnman, Executive Director of the VNA thanked the selectmen for their recommendation and asked for the support of the voters.

Paul Lessard spoke in favor of the article.

No further discussion on the article and it will be on the ballot as written.

A motion for Restricting Reconsideration on articles 30 and 31 was made by Mr. Workman and seconded by Mr. Lang. The motion passed.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1991

No 741

The article passed.

At 1:00 PM the Moderator announced we would break for lunch.

Moderator Casassa declared the meeting resumed at 1:50PM.

Selectmen Moore delivered a plaque, on behalf of the Board of Selectmen, to retiring Town Clerk, Arleen Andreozzi, commending her for her service to Hampton for the past 24 years. She received applause and a standing ovation.

ARTICLE 32

(As Petitioned)

We the undersigned residents of Hampton, petition the town to place on the Warrant the request to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$100,000 to renovate the old Town Hall, making the necessary repairs and improvements to turn it into a Senior Center for the Town of Hampton. (Majority vote required)

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Not Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Maurice Friedman.

Seconded by Denis Kilroy.

Mr. Friedman presented the article and said the town needs to have a center and this building is only in need of renovation. Other towns have centers for their seniors and he is embarrassed that the town doesn't help people who are in need of such a place.

Eileen Latimer knows we need a senior center but feels that the building would take more than \$100,000. to repair. She urged voters not to mistake her no vote on this article to be a no vote for a community center.

Dianna Martin, Hampton Recreation Director, is opposed to article because we need a community center that would serve all ages.

Ann Kaiser opposed the article and she suggested planning board look into other buildings.

David Lang agrees the seniors need a place of their own and it is incumbent upon us to put together a plan for a community.

Frederick Rice agrees with need for community center but, not at this price.

No further discussion and the article will be on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1073

No 1664

The article failed.

ARTICLE 33

(As Petitioned)

On the petition of Rockingham Community Action and at least 25 registered Hampton voters, shall the Town of Hampton raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 to defray the costs of services provided to low and moderate income Hampton residents for basic and critical needs. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by William Lally.

Seconded by Virginia Bridle-Russell.

Kristie Conrad spoke about the services the Rockingham Community Action provides.

No further discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1522

No 1096

The article passed.

ARTICLE 34

(As Petitioned)

We the undersigned, **registered voters** living in the Town of Hampton, request that the Town of Hampton raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 as requested by Families First Health and Support Center to be used to bring parenting programs to Hampton. (Majority vote required)

Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

***Not Recommended by the Budget Committee**

Moved by Mr. Silberdick.

Seconded by Ms. Searle.

Out of town resident, Bob Pavlik, was allowed to speak on behalf of Families First. He recounted the work the agency does.

Mr. Silberdick said the budget committee vote was given before First Families gave their presentation.

No further discussion. Article 34 will be on the ballot as written.

**At a Budget Committee meeting held after the Town Meeting it was voted to 'Recommend' Article 34. It appeared on the ballot as "Recommended by the Budget Committee".*

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1035

No 1573

The article failed.

ARTICLE 35

(As Petitioned)

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$43,000 for the purpose of providing full larviciding of the mosquito breeding areas, including the catch basins, and for funding the spraying of adult mosquitoes during the months of June through September? This money would be in addition to the \$60,000 allocated to Mosquito Control in the Selectmen's Default Budget. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Russell Bernstein.

Seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

Ann Kaiser, chairperson of the Mosquito Control Committee, said there was good news and bad news. The bad news was that Rockingham County is still under a health threat of EED and West Nile virus. The good news is we are still eligible to receive to receive funds from the state. A grant is available for up to a percentage of the amount spent.

Mr. Reniere, member of the committee, said the money is for full laticiding for the protection of the town. The program also provides for the control of the green head flies.

Ms. Searle question if there is additional money in the Recreation Department for spraying the mosquitoes at the town owned fields. Diana Martin the Recreation Department contacts the committee for all spraying.

No further discussion and the article will be on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2244

No 431

The article passed.

ARTICLE 36

(As Petitioned)

We the undersigned support Lamprey Health Cares's 2006 Funding request to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of \$4000 for Lamprey Health Care Senior Transportation Program LHC Senior Transportation provides senior citizens and disabled Hampton residents rides to medical appointments. In addition the drivers plan a weekly shopping trip and a monthly day-long recreational outing. These trips are not only rides to essential services, but a great opportunity for our riders to socialize and also allows them to remain independent in their homes. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Richard Griffin.

Seconded by James Workman.

No discussion the article will be on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2059

No 589

The article passed.

ARTICLE 37

(As Petitioned)

The Great Bay Chapter of the American Red Cross is resolute in its commitment to all the residents who live in the 40 cities and towns within its jurisdiction, of which Hampton is one. Our vital services are not duplicated by any other agency, and they are free to anyone in dire need. However, we must rely on many sources for the financial support needed to continue to do so. As we receive no financial support from the state or from the federal government, we must rely on communities, like Hampton, to assist us. Therefore we would appreciate the opportunity to present our application for financial support of \$1,000.00 with the Town of Hampton for the fiscal year of 2006-2007.

Great Bay Chapter volunteers logged 118,750 hours last year at a cost saving of \$2,000,000 to the 40 towns and cities within its jurisdiction. This year has already put a strain on our funds as a result of the horrendous floods that New Hampshire experienced this past spring, and we do not know what the months ahead hold for us.

- **Our Disaster Relief Services** consists of food, shelter, clothing, medications, mental health counseling, and security deposits to those who have experienced a natural or man-made catastrophe.
- **Our Blood Services** constitutes the collection, processing, testing, transporting, monitoring, and distribution services in order to serve the needs of our local hospitals. The Great Bay Chapter collected over 11,789 units of blood and hosted 110 blood drives last year.
- **Our Health, Safety and Community Services** focus on saving lives. Through our many training courses, such as Adult, Infant, and Child CPR, AED training, First Aid, water safety, disaster training, first responder, and our LNA program we impart hope and confidence along with skill and knowledge.
- **Our Armed Forces Emergency Services** is the lifeline for the many service members who live in our jurisdiction and with our assistance communication is established between family members and the enlisted with urgent messaging regarding serious illness, death of a loved one or the birth of a child. (Majority vote required)

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen

Recommended by the Budget Committee

Moved by Mr. Workman.

Seconded by Mr. Moore.

Mr. Moore moved to amend the article to add to the beginning of the article the words “ to raise and appropriate \$1000 for” to make the article legal.

Seconded by Paul Lessard who added his support for the article.

The amendment passed on a hand vote.

No further discussion and the words “To raise and appropriate \$1000 for” will appear at the beginning of the article.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 2047

No 595

The article passed.

ARTICLE 38

(As Petitioned)

On petition of Ralph Fatello and 25 or more registered voters in the Town of Hampton supporting the work of Sean Lacey and Aerille Royal: Shall the Town of Hampton recommend to the selectmen a policy whereby all new streets and roadways accepted by the Town be given the name of any military personnel, whose primary residence being Hampton, NH did give his or her life in the defense of the United States or any public safety employee, being a resident or non-resident of Hampton, who gave his or her life in the service of the Town of Hampton. When the list of potential names has been depleted, preference will then be given to names of historical importance to the Town of Hampton.

Moved by James Workman.

Seconded by William Lally.

Ralph Fatello asked Sean Lacey and Aerille Royal, students who idea it was to present this article, to speak on its behalf. They stated it is to show their support of their country and the soldiers who died.

Jennifer Squires said memorializing military personal is a fantastic idea as they made the ultimate sacrifice.

Arthur Moody said the Town has a policy to memorialize the serviceman since WW11.

Helena Barthell feels it is the right think to do but is against article because should not be law.

Additional favorable comments we made by Paul Lessard, Frederick Rice and Nathan Page who hopes if the article passes we remember fireman Brian Litchfield, who died as a result of injuries suffered while on duty

No further discussion. The article will be on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1848

No 779

The article passed.

ARTICLE 39

(As Petitioned)

On petition of at least 25 registered voters of the Town of Hampton: Are you in favor of increasing the number of trustees of the Hampton Trust Funds from 3 to 5, as authorized by RSA 31:22? The Hampton Trust Funds include the Cemetery & Perpetual Care Funds, the Cemetery Burial Trust Funds, the Lane Memorial Library Fund, the Hampton Real Estate Trust Fund, the Campbell Children's Sports Fund, the Town Management Information Systems Fund, the Capital Reserve Funds (roads), the Hampton Beach Village District Funds, and the Poor Fund.

Increasing the number of trustees will provide additional talent to manage the \$17 million in trust funds that, in part, help to reduce Hampton taxes. The increased number of trustees will also provide better business continuity for the trust funds in case of a trustee vacancy. There is no cost to the Town for additional trustees because they are volunteers.

Moved by William Hartley.

Seconded by James Workman.

William Hartley read a statement made by Warren Mackensen, the author of the article, outlining the reasons for the article.

Glyn Eastman said he was member of board of selectmen when the trust funds were established. Every year we invest the money and every year we turn back the profit back to the town to reduce the taxes. Others want to keep a portion of the money to grow the trust fund. He feels the people would rather have lower taxes.

Vic Lessard stated the board of trustees has given 17 million dollars back to the town, as the voters want it.

David Goethel against article as he sees is as an attempt to pack the court. The process for changing a procedure is to get elected to the board and failing to do so would mean the voters are happy with the way the funds are handled.

Moody explained the first rule is safety of the funds the second is growth of fund.

Kaiser questioned how new members would be added. The Moderator stated for the first year the two additional members would be appointed.

No further discussion and the article will be on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1843

No 843

The article passed.

ARTICLE 40

(As Petitioned)

This Petition is from Taylor River Estates Homeowner's Association to the Town of Hampton to take over ownership of the road known as "Taylor River Estates Road".

Moved by Richard Reniere.

Seconded by Richard Griffin.

Mary Boynton spoke to the article saying the Association represents 36 homes and it is not a condo association and all criteria has been met.

Mrs. Bridle-Russell said the road does not meet town standards and will cost an estimated \$850,000 to bring it up to standards.

John Nickerson is opposed to the article. He said that as a long time resident he had to conform to the standards established by the town at the time. All homeowners who live in Hampton have restrictions that have to be maintained

An amendment was offered by John Hangen and seconded by Sandy Buck to delete "this petition is from Taylor River Estates Homeowner's Association to the Town of Hampton" and insert "Shall the Town of Hampton vote not"

Mr. Boynton spoke against the amendments saying these owners are taxpayers but they get no services from the town. When people bought in that area the road met the town standards since then the laws have changed.

Ellen Geothel, Chairperson of the Conservation Commission said there are severe wetness issues in that area and the plans took a year to go through the planning board. One issue was you could not build a road because of the wetlands. The town did not want the responsibility of maintaining the road.

The amendment failed.

No further discussion. The article will be on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 978

No 1655

The article failed.

ARTICLE 41

(As Petitioned)

This Petition is from Taylor River Estates Homeowner's Association to declare the road serving Taylor River Estates Homeowner's as an Emergency Lane per RSA 231.59

Moved by Mrs. Boynton.
Seconded by Richard Griffin.

Mary Boynton stated 15 homes were not accessible during the flood last May

The assembly was told Town meeting has no authority to declare any road an emergency lane. This authority is given to the selectmen only. The article can advise only.

Mr. Hangen offered to amend the article by deleting the words "This Petition is from Taylor River Estates Homeowner's Association to". Replace it with "Shall the Town of Hampton vote to recommend that the Board of Selectmen declare the (add "private") road serving Taylor River Estates Homeowners add "known as Taylor River Estates Road" be an emergency lane Per RSA231.59a.

Seconded by Mr. Moore.

The moderator asked the petitioners if they would agree with eliminating the references to Taylor River at the beginning they agreed.

Ellen Geothel questioned if the amendment passed and the article passed with the amendment whether the town would be responsible for maintaining the road and drainage of the road.

Mr. Hangen answered that it is a question for the atty. but feels the town would have some responsibility.

Mr. Rice said there are 23 private roads that get some type of service and the town needs to be fair to all taxpayers.

Mr. DeMarco asked if this should pass would other condo associations be afforded the same rights
The Moderator said that there would be a public hearing and a judgment made on an individual basis

The amendment passed on a show of hands.

There was no other discussion. Article 41 now reads as follows:

Shall the Town of Hampton vote to recommend that the Board of Selectmen declare the private road serving Taylor River Estates Homeowner's known as "Taylor River Estates Road" be an Emergency Lane per RSA231.59a.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1074

No 1477

The article failed.

ARTICLE 42

(As Petitioned)

On petition of Carolyn Fetter and at least 25 registered voters of the Town of Hampton: Shall the Town of Hampton require full financial disclosure for all Warrant Articles put before the voters? Financial disclosure should include both one-time and on-going costs (if any) per year, and the number of years, if known. Examples of one-time costs would be initial payments for capital expenditures, and installation or removal costs. Examples of on-going costs would be estimated financing or interest charges, electric, heat, maintenance, additional labor costs, etc.

These costs should be expressed as cost per thousand of assessed property value for the year just passed, as valuations and exemptions for coming years are not fully known at the time the Warrant Articles are prepared. Where costs are not fully known, best-guess estimates "should be provided. The intent is to give voters a more complete understanding of the short and long-term financial implications of decisions they are asked to make.

Moved by Mrs. Woolsey.
Seconded by Denis Kilroy.

Speaking for the article was petitioner, Carolyn Fetter who said the reason is to give the voter more information upon which to vote.

An amendment to add the words “**and their sources**” after “best guess estimates” was made by Ms. Fetter and Seconded by Ms. Woolsey.

Ms Bridle-Russell read a comment from the Town Atty. stating the article is vague as it does not indicate by whom when or in what format it would take.

Ms Fetter answered she already took it to the attorney general’s office who agreed there was no problem with the article.

David Lang questioned the legality of divulging legal information regarding contracts.

Mrs. Searle spoke in favor of the article

The Fetter amendment passed on a show of hands.

Mrs. Searle offered to further amend the article by adding, “ it shall be the responsibility of the board of Selectmen to provide this information for the deliberative session warrant article and the official ballot.
Seconded by Michael Pierce

The amendment failed on a show of hands

A motion to move the question was made and seconded and all agreed that there would be no further discussion.

The article will go on the ballot as amended.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1992

No 621

The article passed.

ARTICLE 43

(As Petitioned)

We, the undersigned, being legal voters in the Town of Hampton, hereby petition the Board of Selectmen of said Town to place the following article on the warrant for the 2007 annual meeting.

New Hampshire Climate Change Resolution

To see if the town will go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of New Hampshire (Hampton).

These actions include:

1. Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy.
2. Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment.

In addition, the town of Hampton encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and we ask our Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions.

The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices.

Moved by Mary– Louise Woolsey.
Seconded by Michael Pierce.

No discussion and the article will go on the ballot as written.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1683

No 970

The article passed.

ARTICLE 44

(As Petitioned)

On petition of Charlie Preston and at least 25 registered voters, shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95 c, to restrict 20% of the gross lease and rental income from the Town's parking areas located within the Hampton Beach Village District to the purpose of construction or reconstruction of recreation infrastructure within the Town of Hampton. Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund, separate from the general fund, to be known as the Hampton Recreation Infrastructure Fund, per RSA 31:95 d. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the General Fund Accumulated Surplus. This will be a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3 VI. The annual recreation infrastructure projects will be determined by the Board of Selectmen, Town Manager and Director of Public Works each year, and shall be expended only after a vote by the legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or the source of the revenue. The first appropriation from this fund should be devoted to the reconstruction of the tennis/basketball courts at Tuck Field.

Moved by Mr. Moore.
Seconded by Bonnie Searle.

Charlie Preston gave an explanation of the article.

Bonnie Searle asked for clarification if the article passes would 40% of the gross revenue of the parking lots be used to offset the tax rate?

The Moderator said it is hypothetically possible.

Bonnie Searle encouraged voters to vote no on 44 and yes on 45.

Frederick Rice – Expressed his opposition to this article and article 45.

Charlie Preston said the tennis courts have already failed twice. Voters should feel the town is good enough for the funds as well as with beach precinct.

No further discussion the article will be on the ballot as written

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1477

No 1064

The article passed.

ARTICLE 45

(As Petitioned)

On petition of Charlie Preston and at least 25 registered voters, to see if the Town will vote as follows: Shall we, the voters of Hampton, New Hampshire, rescind the provisions of RSA 31:95-c (which was adopted in 1996 – Article 41) to restrict 20% of revenues of gross lease and rental income from the town's parking areas located within the Hampton Village District to expenditures for the purpose of town owned infrastructure within the Village District boundaries. Such revenues and expenditures to be accounted for in a special revenue fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund not to be deemed part of the General Fund Accumulated Surplus. This is a non-lapsing account per RSA 32:3, VI. The infrastructure items to be determined by the Precinct Commissioners,

Public Works Director and Town Manager at budget time. The purpose of the first year's fund to be for proposed Playground improvements. This rescission is in accordance with RSA 31:95-d IV (4).

Moved by Mr. Moore.

Seconded by Mr. DeMarco.

Charlie Preston explained the article and gave supporting information on expenditures at the beach. He requested transparency be put on Channel 22 informing residents of beach precinct meetings. Gave credit to Mr. Windemiller for his work at the beach.

Duane Windemiller gave facts about Hampton Beach and offered to amend the article by inserting "not" in front of the word "rescind"

Second by Andrew Guthrie.

Brian Warburton expressed opposition to the article.

Mary-Louise rose on a procedural inquiry saying the sense of article is changed by adding the word "not". And is corrupting the intent of the petitioner.

Moderator asked Mr. Windemiller to expand on the amendment to remove the mention of the petitioner by deleting the first line: On petition of Charlie Preston and at least 25 registered voters, to see if the Town will vote as follows: There was much discussion regarding the proposed amendment and if it should be allowed.

The Moderator said if you are in favor of Mr. Preston's article you would vote yes, but with the amendment you would vote no. It totally changes the intent of the article.

The Moderator asked Mr. Windemiller if he would withdraw his amendment because such language would be confusing to voters. Mr. Windemiller declined.

Richard Reniere and Michael Scanlon both voiced opposition to the article.

The Moderator called for a vote on the amendment.

The Windemiller amendment failed on a counted hand vote of 37 yes to 29 no.

Arthur Guthrie made a motion to change 20% to 0%. It was disallowed. There was no further discussion and article 45 will be on the ballot as printed.

Result of balloting on March 13, 2007

Yes 1270

No 1249

The article passed.

As there was no other business to come before the assembly Arthur Moody made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mary-Louise Woolsey.

The Moderator declared to meeting adjourned at 5:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Arleen Andreozzi
Hampton Town Clerk

On March 15, 2007 a petition for a recount on Article 45 was presented to the Town Clerk.