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August 23, 2021

5:30 p.m. Non-public Session RSA 91-A.3,II,(d)

At 17:35 p.m., Sel. Waddell MOTIONED to go into a non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II, (d) [property disposition], SECONDED by Sel. Barnes

Roll call vote: Vice-chairman Rage: yes, Sel. Waddell: yes, Sel. Sawyer: yes, Sel. Barnes: yes, Chairman Bridle: yes. VOTE: 5-0-0

PRESENT: Rusty Bridle, Chairman
Charles Rage, Vice-chairman
Regina Barnes, Selectman
James Waddell, Selectman
Richard Sawyer, Selectman
Jamie Sullivan, Town Manager
Mark Gearreald, Town Attorney
Joseph Mollica
James Vara, Esq.
Paul Godfrey
David Garvey

[The Minutes were sealed by roll call vote once the Board returned to its public session].

At 18:45 p.m., a MOTION was made by Sel. Waddell , SECONDED by Sel.Rage , to leave the non-public session.

Roll call vote: Vice-chairman Rage: yes, Sel. Waddell: yes, Sel. Sawyer: yes, Sel. Barnes: yes, Chairman Bridle: yes. VOTE: 5-0-0

At approximately 18:46 p.m., back in public session, a MOTION was made by Sel. Waddell, SECONDED by Sel. Barnes, to seal the minutes of the non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, III on the basis that disclosure of the minutes could adversely affect the reputation of any person, other than a member of the Board, or jeopardize the actions to be taken or render the proposed action ineffective.

Roll call vote: Vice-chairman Rage: yes, Sel. Waddell: yes, Sel. Sawyer: yes, Sel. Barnes: yes, Chairman Bridle: yes. VOTE: 5-0-0

At 18:46 PM, a MOTION was made by Sel. Waddell, SECONDED by Sel. Barnes to recess the meeting until 7:00 PM. VOTE: 5-0-0

7:00 p.m. Board of Selectmen's Room

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

PRESENT: Russell Bridle, Chairman
Charles Rage, Vice-chairman
Regina Barnes, Selectman
James Waddell, Selectman
Richard Sawyer, Selectman
Jamie Sullivan, Town Manager

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I. Public Comment [Time limitation of three (3) minutes]

Joe O’Neil, 536A Winnacunnet Rd., noted he was there to discuss Winnacunnet Rd. He asked the board to reconsider speed limits. He discussed the area of Winnacunnet that is posted for 35mph and referenced other streets posted at lower speeds. He discussed parking issues, noting some streets resident only, and an area of Winnacunnet not posted for that, and excess parking happening there. He asked the board to take a look. He noted the paving project not passing last year and asked what projects may be moving forward and discussed issues regarding infrastructure. He discussed the blacksmith shop, noting the renovations approved and funding. He discussed the project being an eyesore.

II. Announcements and Community Calendar

Sel. Waddell congratulated the Hampton Lifeguards for winning first place in competition. He discussed the Hampton Master Plan, and announced a public hearing on Sept. 29th, at Hampton Academy at 6 and 7pm. He noted they are looking for citizen input.

Sel. Sawyer offered condolences to the Tom Dumont family, noting Tom’s passing on Aug. 20th. He announced service times. A moment of silence was observed.

Sel. Rage reiterated the Lifeguard award.

Sel. Barnes reiterated the Master Plan public hearing.

Chairman Bridle thanked all town services for planning efforts regarding the weekend weather.

TM Sullivan reiterated the thanks for the town and for all of those involved in the emergency management, noting how well all work together.

Sel. Sawyer noted a dangerous police situation last Friday, and commended Chief Hobbs and the department for the public safety, patience, and the great job they did.

III. Approval of Minutes

1. August 9, 2021

Sel. Waddell MOTIONED to APPROVE the Minutes of August 9, 2021, SECONDED by Sel. Barnes. VOTE: 5-0-0

IV. Consent Agenda

1. Cemetery Deed: Herbert & Wendy Colby 102/F/4/5-8/RD 13
2. Donations to Parks & Recreation: Peter Hyatt \$436.73, Hampton Rotary \$1,300
3. Hampton Beach Area Commission reappointment: Nancy Stiles.
4. Seafood Festival Sidewalk Vendor Permits: Airbrush Underground, Beach Basics, Beach Bums, BZ Beach Supply, BZ Gift, Dudley’s, Jewel Box, Michaels’s Place/Barginworld, Mrs. Mitchells, Nam’s Gift Shop, Shirts R US, The Surf Mart, Tibet Boutique. Zac’s Barn

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Sel. Waddell MOTIONED to APPROVE the Consent Agenda, SECONDED by Sel. Sawyer.
VOTE: 5-0-0

V. Appointments

1. Julie Glover, Human Resource/Administrative Services Director

TM Sullivan introduced Ms. Glover, noting her first day was today. He welcomed her to the team.

Ms. Glover thanked the board and gave a history of her career and noted being happy to work for the municipality she lives in. The board welcomed her.

2. Carl McMorran, Aquarian Water Company a Quarterly update

Mr. McMorran thanked the board and noted a lot has happened in the last quarter. He discussed drought conditions. He noted the rainfall in July with the inches of rainfall and discussed production. He discussed general operations and noted statistics. He discussed water quality and monitoring. He noted the PFAS, and the water quality signage publicizing the treatment project. He discussed the project progress. He discussed the High St. Main Replacement project, noting the progress and wrap up and paving needing to be done. He discussed projects for 2022, noting Little River Road, Main replacements, and the Glade Path tank.

Sel. Barnes asked about the status of the other water tower they wanted to build. Mr. McMorran noted they are still weighing options with a couple years before really necessary. He noted some serious planning for next year. She asked about a potential serious water supply issue. He discussed a tank having to be out of service for repairs. She asked about PFAS and potentially getting 75% of funding and Mr. McMorran noted that is best case scenario. She asked the total cost, and the answer was approximately \$2 million dollars. She noted great job on High Street.

Sel. Waddell reiterated good job on High Street and noted the lights helping. Mr. McMorran gave credit to DPW for their help. Sel. Waddell asked if PFAS are well under control and the answer was there have been no changes and currently meeting all compliances. He asked about the investigating of where the PFAS came from, and the answer was it has been too general.

Chairman Bridle offered to not forget West and 95.

Sel. Barnes noted the treatment of the water is great, and PFAS are everywhere.

VI. Town Manager's Report

1. A reminder that the 10 digit dialing requirement will be mandatory in October.
2. The Chairman and I met with Exec. Councilor Stevens and we are moving forward with keeping tabs on the items the board has instructed us to.
3. Dir. Hale will be in next week to discuss wastewater treatment and the influent pump.

Sel. Rage asked how the parking kiosks were going. TM Sullivan noted there have been problems, discussing a software issue and being optimistic all will be resolved.

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VII. Old Business

1. Amend Ordinance Section §805 Vehicles and Traffic Subsection §805.21.2 locations of Resident Parking Only to add Perkins Avenue

TM Sullivan noted the omission of Perkins Ave. was an oversight.

Sel. Sawyer MOTIONED to APPROVE the amendment to Ordinance Section §805 Vehicles and Traffic Subsection §805.21.2 locations of Resident Parking Only to add Perkins Avenue, SECONDED by Sel. Rage. VOTE: 5-0-0

Sel. Barnes noted resident parking and the public comment regarding Winnacunnet Rd. and wanted to discuss. She discussed putting the resident only signs there. TM Sullivan noted we have extra signs. Chairman Bridle remembered last year they went up to the pump station.

Sel. Barnes MOTIONED to APPROVE the Resident Only Parking Signs to be Placed on Winnacunnet Rd. up to the Pump Station, SECONDED by Sel. Waddell. VOTE: 5-0-0

Sel. Barnes noted a memo regarding Greene Street and resident parking. She asked for thoughts on that. TM Sullivan discussed that he thinks it would be nearly impossible to enforce, and noted he suggested to that caller a petition similar to Ancient Highway. Sel. Sawyer noted the fire lane on Greene Street. There was general discussion. TM Sullivan reiterated the enforcement challenge. Sel. Barnes noted the chief weighing in and asked about a Local Traffic Only sign. Sel. Sawyer explained the ordinance regarding such. Sel. Barnes noted a petition would invite people to park there. There was general discussion regarding a solution, the chief's input, and signage. Chairman Bridle offered a No Outlet sign. TM Sullivan reiterated the resident's request of removing resident only signage. Sel. Sawyer asked if there was a petition with neighbors and the answer was no.

Consensus was that the board will not consider changing.

Sel. Barnes discussed Plaice Cove and flooding holes in the parking lot, and, asked if anything will be worked on. TM Sullivan noted no project happening currently and to bring up with Dir. Hale when she is here next week. He discussed the walkway and its tide issues. Sel. Sawyer mentioned an objection from an environmental group. TM Sullivan reiterated the issue and to speak with Dir. Hale.

Sel. Sawyer discussed the speed limit on Winnacunnet Road. TM Sullivan noted DPW working on this. There was general discussion on going to 30mph.

Sel. Waddell MOTIONED to APPROVE to Change the Speed Limit on Winnacunnet Road to 30MPH, SECONDED by Sel. Barnes. VOTE: 5-0-0

The blacksmith building was brought up. TM Sullivan discussed the funding. He discussed Winnacunnet Road and that it will be in the budget process with decisions to be made.

VIII. New Business

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1. Request to allow parking on Hucklebery Lane on 9/11

TM Sullivan explained an event on 9/11 with a request for parking. There was general discussion that it is currently no parking. TM Sullivan discussed public safety has stated no problem for a temporary event, as long as it is one side.

Sel. Sawyer MOTIONED to APPROVE the Request to allow parking on Huckleberry Lane on 9/11, SECONDED by Chairman Bridle. VOTE: 5-0-0

2. Proposal to explore recreation infrastructure renovation/expansion at Tuck Field

TM Sullivan discussed the space issue and needs for Recreation. He discussed pursuing a long-term solution, and, noted what can we do short term? He discussed an idea worth exploring is an expansion of the Tuck or Cave buildings. He discussed some architectural work for designs to see if worth pursuing and getting bids. He discussed some benefits of using the space there.

Sel. Waddell MOTIONED to APPROVE the request to explore recreation infrastructure renovation/expansion at Tuck Field, spending up to \$3000.00, SECONDED by Sel. Sawyer. VOTE: 5-0-0

Sel. Barnes clarified this would be for immediate future use of community space and TM Sullivan noted an expanded space and discussed if supported, we have money in the infrastructure fund.

Sel. Rage asked if there was a list of town owned properties and TM Sullivan directed him to the town Vision assessing website.

3. 137 Landing Road Sewer Force main

TM Sullivan discussed the property and the owner wanting to tie into our sewer, noting all approvals done.

Chairman Bridle MOTIONED to APPROVE that the board, in it's capacity as Sewer Commissioners, hereby approves the actions proposed, by Cassemo Realty, LLC, to extend the existing force main system, approximately 50 feet in length, within the town's Landing Rd. right of way, and to install two new force main sewer lines, with force main terminus manhole associated fittings and connections, for the purpose of providing access to the town's waste water treatment system, at the property at 137 Landing Road, tax map 239 lot 6, upon the conditions that the town's sewer connection permit and excavation permit are obtained from DPW, including the necessary bonding and insurance documentation naming the town as an additional insured, before work commences, and also that it hold harmless and indemnification agreement be executed in favor of the town if form to be provided by the town attorney, to be recorded in the Rockingham County Registry of Deeds, SECONDED by Sel. Barnes. Chairman Bridle explained the location. VOTE: 5-0-0

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Sel. Barnes discussed an email received regarding a complaint about noise, noting modified mufflers for cars and motorcycles. TM Sullivan noted an enforcement issue through the state legislation and motor vehicle code. They discussed police enforcement. Sel. Barnes noted the resident asked about signage. TM Sullivan discussed that would be the state's redevelopment plan for Rt. 1. He noted they are taking public comments for that and to refer the resident to them.

Sel. Barnes discussed a letter she had written in 2017 and that she had updated some of the figures. She noted asking for the 2019-20 DNCR report. She discussed that for the past four years (2015-18) the state park funds were \$2.2 million with \$1.8 getting transferred out. She discussed Rockingham County taxes and the town of Hampton's apportion, the fourth highest in the county, and noted the SRF funds applied for is up to over \$34 million. She discussed infrastructure, and coastal mitigation, noting that critical infrastructure needs to be focused on. She discussed the benefits of replacing the marsh pipe. She noted the many things we need to address with the hope that Concord will help us out. She noted the money collected in Hampton tolls.

IX. Closing Comments

None

X. Adjournment

Sel. Waddell MOTIONED to adjourn at 19:52, SECONDED by Sel. Sawyer. VOTE: 5-0-0

Russell Bridle, Chairman