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Board of Selectmen
Budget Workshop Minutes
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A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Monday, May 7, 2012 at the Town Hall.

Present for the Board: First Selectman Allan Cahill, Selectman Mike Chapel, Selectman Bob Grindle

Staff Present: Liz Stillman, Recording Secretary

ITEM 1: Call to Order: First Selectman Cahill called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

ITEM 2: Audience for Citizens

Mary Margaret Petix and India Arriola made a presentation and proposed Hampton residents consider the "Adopt a Road" program.

Dot Blocker read a letter to the Board of Selectmen addressing specific issues with roads in Hampton, and requested safety lines be repainted, old guyed wires in wetland areas replaced, more catch basins installed as well the new public garage - paint the door red, the plantings in front of the garage, or painting the foundation grey, tree plantings - 6 need replacing, a few more need pruning; also discussed noise and watershed issues at the Firehouse and asked what the plans for the old public works garage were.

Sam Higgins agreed that she has seen private vehicles being washed there as well.

Sam Higgins asked about the Loisselle property sale and proposed delaying the vote until there are some more public hearings and information presented other than at Board of Selectmen meetings.

ITEM 3: Acceptance/ Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Selectman Grindle moved to accept the minutes from Board of Selectmen meetings on April 2, April 10, and April 26, 2012 as written. Selectman Chapel seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed.

ITEM 4: Liasion Reports

- A. D-11 Board of Education
- B. Hampton Board of Education
- C. Fire Department
- D. Ambulance Corps
- E. Public Works- report will be distributed to selectmen

ITEM 5: Communications- none

ITEM 6: Financial Reports

- A. Budget Transfers

MOTION: Selectman Grindle moved to accept transfers as requested. Selectman Chapel seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

ITEM 7: Tax Collector Report

- A. Refunds (if any)

MOTION: Selectman Chapel moved to approve refunds as requested. Selectman Grindle seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

ITEM 8: Appointment(s)/ Terms:

MOTION: Grindle moved to Toby Vertefeuille, Brad Waite and Ralph Brand to the Safety Committee with a term ending January 1, 2014. Selectman Chapel seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

ITEM 9: Board/ Committee/ Commission Minutes/ Reports to review

Selectmen reviewed minutes.

ITEM 10: Additions to the Agenda

MOTION: Selectman Chapel moved to accept the Adopt a Road program and put a list of roads on the website. Selectman Grindle seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

ITEM 11: Old Business

- A. Garage Update

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Moving towards closeout and the Garage Committee will meet and work towards that.

ITEM 12: New Business

A. Approve resolution for CT Small Cities CDBG Program:

MOTION: Selectman Grindle moved to resolve to:

- a. A FY 2012 Connecticut Small Cities CDBG Program Grant application in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, and to authorize and direct the First Selectman to execute and file such application and all documents, plans, certification resolutions related thereto;
- b. To adopt the Certified Resolution required by the CT Department of Economic and Community Development relating to said application;
- c. To enter into "Joint Community Application Cooperation Agreements" with the Towns of Chaplin, Eastford, Pomfret, and Scotland for said application, thereby enabling Hampton to submit a multi-jurisdiction (regional) grant application;
- d. To approve the "Program Income (Reuse) Plan" for the proposed FY 2012 Small Cities grant;
- e. To designate the First Selectman, Allan Cahill, as the Environmental Certifying Officer;
- f. To designate the First Selectman, Allan Cahill, as the Fair Housing Officer;
- g. To designate the First Selectman, Allan Cahill, as the ADA Coordinator; and
- h. To designate the First Selectman, Allan Cahill, as the Affirmative Action Compliance Officer.

Selectman Chapel seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed.

B. Discuss and Act on Farm Abatement

MOTION: Selectman Chapel moved to approve a 50% dairy farm tax abatement for Woodhill Farm; \$3428 for July 2009, \$1774 for July 2010, and \$1711 for July 2011. Selectman Grindle seconded. Motion passed with two for (Chapel/Grindle) and one abstention (Cahill).

C. Discuss and Act on which ordinances shall be presented to the town for a vote

MOTION: Selectman Chapel moved to present IWWA, Board of Finance, and Recreation Commission ordinances to the town. Selectman Grindle seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

D. Discuss and Act on which of the above can be done at Town Meeting and which should go to referendum

MOTION: Selectman Grindle moved to adjourn Board of Finance Ordinance vote to referendum. Seconded by Chapel. All in favor; motion passed.

MOTION: Grindle moved to adjourn the question of purchasing the Loiselle property to referendum, Chapel seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

E. Approve Five Year Capital Plan

Selectmen reviewed proposed Five Year Capital plan.

MOTION: Selectman Chapel moved to approve the proposed Five Year Capital Plan. Selectman Grindle seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

F. Finalize and Approve Town Meeting Call

MOTION: Selectman Grindle moved to approve the call for the Annual Town Meeting as amended. Selectman Chapel seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed.

ITEM 13: Audience for Citizens

Sam Higgins asked about establishing a Green Way path and asked about the use for the land to the town or wildlife.

Sam Higgins asked about the Board of Finance- mailing to the town with education, newspaper articles and asked if it could be tabled because of the lack of information. Discussion followed about the proposed Board of Finance and whether it should be presented at the Annual Town Meeting or postponed.

Penny Newbury asked when the town meeting was going to be (May 17, 7PM at Hampton Elementary School). The referendum is May 24, 2012 at the Town Hall from noon to 8pm.

Penny Newbury stated that signs for Adopt a Road are \$75 each.

Dot Blocker asked if how the Board of Finance interacts with the Board of Selectmen, and why you would pay the Board of Selectmen what the Board of Finance is doing. Ms. Blocker asked about the Loiselle property how many acres and where it is located. Would like usage outline laid out and how it would play out in Hampton's plans for building

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development on the Loisselle property. What is in that land is important- what is being preserved. Asked about follow through on the letter she presented to the board- should she come to the next meeting?

Vie Marquis asked what part of Parker Road would be closed.

Sam Higgins asked if a road engineer could be hired to look at the run off on West Old Route 6 and Hammond Hill.

First Selectman agreed to draft a list of trouble spots and pursue having a professional assessment done on the roads.

ITEM 14: ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: There being no further business for the Board to discuss at this special meeting of the Board of Selectmen, Selectman Grindle/Chapel moved/seconded to adjourn at 7:02 p.m.; all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elizabeth Stillman
Recording Secretary