

TOWN OF HAMPTON
Incorporated 1786
BOARD OF SELECTMEN- SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
October 2, 2014 2:00 p.m.
Town Hall Community Room

1. Call to Order

First Selectman Allan Cahill called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

2. Discussion with Registrars Regarding Operations and to Appoint Election Officials

Sam Higgins stated she had reviewed voter registration cards and identified those who were interested in working at the polls.

Selectmen Grindle asked the Registrars why the meeting had been called, Dayna McDermott Arriola stated that the SEEC had directed the Registrars to meet with the Selectmen to facilitate the process, and that they had to appoint a moderator by tomorrow.

Selectmen Grindle explained his understanding that the moderator was to be appointed in a rotation or pattern and suggested hiring outside the town to avoid contention.

The Registrars disagreed on which party's turn it was to appoint a moderator, and there was continued discussion regarding balance of political affiliation and statutes governing the appointment of election workers, including the option to veto a worker on the proposed list.

Discussion continued further regarding appointing a moderator and whether it was the Republican or Democrat Registrars' turn to initiate the process of appointing election workers.

A proposed list of workers was presented:

Moderator: Kathi Newcombe

Election Workers: Sandra Hastings, Stephen Dinsmore, Randy Thompson, Joan Fox, Tammy King and John Tillinghast

Both registrars agreed on the proposed list.

Continued discussion included training sessions and a newly trained moderator shadowing the moderator for the November election so he would have some experience for another election event. Additionally, the procedure for moderators when they have to leave the room was discussed and the need for both registrars in the office during elections and the cost of election events and the registrar office in general for Hampton.

3. Adjournment

MOTION: Selectmen Grindle/ Chapel moved / seconded to adjourn the meeting. All in favor; motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 2:44p.m.

Liz Stillman
Recording Secretary