

Town of Hampton
Board of Finance
Special Meeting
May 19, 2015
7pm
Hampton Town Hall Community Room

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Jeff Clermont, Ed Adelman, Nick Brown, Dan Meade, Rick Matejka

Alternates Present: Stan Crawford

Members/Alternates Absent: Penny Newbury, Luciann Norton, Mike Higgins

Staff and others present: First Selectman Al Cahill, Selectman Bob Grindle, Treasurer Ellen Rodriguez, Darren Offerdahl and Jason Michaud of MAWC, Recording Clerk Dayna McDermott-Arriola, and a resident.

Stan was seated for Penny.

Citizen Comments: none.

Correspondences: Nick relayed the positive remarks offered in conversations with officials from Chaplin, Eastford and Regional District #11 regarding the firm, MAWC.

Presentations of Auditors

Representatives Darren Offerdahl and Jason Michaud of MAWC presented on their firm, focusing specifically on their audit procedures, expertise in serving municipalities, commitment to communication, and continuity of financial staff. They also answered questions raised by the First Selectman, the Treasurer, and board members regarding a potential conflict of interest in serving the Town of Hampton and the Cooperative Office Committee, data base systems and providers, accounts included in the services they provide, the reconciliation of school and town accounts, assistance with imminent state mandated programs, and their audit presentation to the Board of Finance.

Nick reported that the third auditor, Stephen Hopkins, is available the second year of the contract, however, the first year would necessitate the town's filing of an extension if his services were to be used. Nick will contact Mr. Hopkins regarding issues regarding sole proprietorship, and Al will contact other municipalities he serves for references.

Citizen Comment: none.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dayna McDermott Arriola
Recording Clerk

