

*Board of Selectmen Minutes  
Special Meeting January 4, 2010  
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**APPROVED**

A Special meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Monday, January 4, 2010 at the Town Office Building.

**Present for the Board:** First Selectman Kate Donnelly, Selectman Roger Dionne, Selectman Mike Chapel

**Staff Present:** Marlene B. Aulten, Recording Secretary

**Item 1: Call to Order:** First Selectman Donnelly called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m.

**Item 2: Audience for Citizens:**

Gay Wagner expressed her opinion regarding web site.

Vi Marquis inquired about Dial-A-Ride. First Selectman Donnelly directed her to pamphlets available on the information table across from the Town Clerk's office.

Penny Newbury requested that the Board consider establishing a Finance Committee. She also spoke regarding EastConn land that may available to the Town, and damage to her car.

Dayna McDermott-Arriola submitted a letter and a packet of documents to the Board.

Gay Wagner asked Selectman Dionne and Selectman Chapel what they have been working on to date.

Barbara Andersen noted that a citizen utilized the Handicapped Parking Space without having the necessary legal certification.

**Item 3: Liaison Reports:**

A. **RD-11** George Askew spoke regarding the many improvements at Parish Hill.

B. **Hampton Elementary School:** John Burnham reporting: Meetings for 2010, with just a few exceptions, will be on 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. The process for next fiscal year budgeting has begun.

C. **District**

D. **Fire Department:** There was no representative at this meeting.

E. **Ambulance Corp:** Vi Marquis noted that the number of calls for 2009 was 8% more than last year, and totaled 348. A Community CPR course may be scheduled in the future.

**Item 4: Approval of Minutes:** December 7, 2009.

**MOTION:** Selectman Chapel motioned to approve the December 7, 2009 minutes with revisions to Item 9, as presented to the Board, and with the revisions requested by Dayna McDermott Arriola. Selectman Dionne seconded; all in favor; motion carried.

**Item 5: Review of Financial Report -**

For month ending December 31, 2009 submitted by Treasurer Ellen Rodriguez. No comments or questions. No transfers for the month ending 12/31/09.

**Item 6: Additions to agenda:** N/A

**Item 7: Tax Collector's Report:** For month ending December 31, 2009, Tax Collector Baum reported the following via written memo:

*"We received and deposited \$302,117.57 in December and have received \$2,334,290.00 on a year to date basis. This is \$168,849 ahead of last year, and at 61.1% of current collections versus 58.68% of last year, and we are on schedule. Our tax amount for this fiscal year is approximately \$175,000 more than last year due to less State reimbursement. The numbers indicate a Happy New Year for Hampton."*

**7A. Tax Refunds:** There are two refunds for the Board to approve.

1. Robert Larose for \$17.38

2. GMAC for \$113.94

These refunds are to Assessor Changes and/or Corrections. Tax Collector Baum recommends approval for both.

**MOTION:** Selectman Dionne motioned to approve the refunds as recommended by Tax Collector Baum; Selectman Chapel seconded; all in favor; motion carried.

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**Item 8 Appointments/Terms:**

- A. **Safety Committee:** Toby Vertefeuille, Daryl Christadore, Brad Waite, Ralph Brand for a term of two years - 1/4/2010 through 1/4/2012.

**MOTION:** Selectman Dionne motioned to accept the Safety Committee appointments; Selectman Chapel seconded; all in favor; motion carried.

- B. **AdHoc Ordinance Committee members to prepare ordinances 8-12A and/or 7-152C as brought forth at the Town Meeting of November 16, 2009:** Joan Fox, George Askew, Linda Seretny, Gloria Langer, Jan Cuprak. Term shall be until completion of charge.

**MOTION:** Selectman Chapel motioned to approve the appointments to the Ad-Hoc Ordinance Committee; Selectman Dionne seconded; all in favor; motion carried.

- C. **Green Energy Committee:** Charge as stated in the 12/7/09 minutes. Everett Hyde, Maryellen Donnelly, Roger Dionne, Frank Russell, John Wertam, Paul Wakely, John Berard, for a term of two years - 1/4/2010 through 1/4/2012.

**MOTION:** Selectman Dionne motioned to approve the appointments to the Green Energy Committee as noted above; Selectman Chapel seconded; all in favor; motion carried.

**Item 9: Committee/Commission minutes for review:**

Reviewed by Selectmen.

**Item 10 Old Business:**

- A. Discuss and Act upon Community Center fee for organizations (whether non-profit or for profit) holding fundraising/for-profit events.

**MOTION:** Selectman Dionne motioned to adopt a fee schedule for Hampton non-profits, when holding fundraising events, that matches the private rental fee currently in place. Selectman Chapel seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

- B. Discuss and Act on scheduling an informational meeting for discussion regarding new Town Garage for 1/12/2010. (Post meeting note: This meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday, January 20, 2009 at 7:00p.m. at the Town Hall, Lower Level).

**MOTION:** Selectman Dionne motioned to approve the date of 1/12/2010 to hold an informational meeting regarding the new Town Garage. 7:00p.m. at Town Hall, Selectman Chapel seconded; all in favor; motion carried.

- C. Discuss and Act on allocating funds for backhoe and set Town Meeting date for 1/12/2010 for discussion and vote.

**MOTION:** Selectman Dionne motioned to approve the date of 1/12/2010 for a Town Meeting to be held at 7:00p.m.; Selectman Chapel seconded; all in favor; motion carried. (Post meeting note: This meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday, January 20, 2009 at 7:00p.m. at the Town Hall, Lower Level).

**ITEM 13 NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **Discuss recent information regarding Town Hall heating system:**

First Selectman Donnelly noted several audits had been done regarding upgrades. Selectman Chapel noted that getting the insulation should be first and foremost. First Selectman Donnelly noted that the first step would be to insulate and close off vents. Several companies have reviewed the possibilities for the most efficient, cost effective way to proceed.

**ITEM 14: Communications: None at this time**

**ITEM 15: Audience for citizens:**

Penny inquired as to why this Board meeting was a Special Meeting (she was referred to Section 1-225-b of Connecticut State Statutes), and whether or not the Safety Committee members would be paid for their meeting attendance. She suggested the Town consider placing an engineer on retainer.

Linda Gorman inquired about the State's Attorney Report.

**ITEM 15: ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION:** There being no further business to come before the Board, Selectman Dionne moved to adjourn at 8:31p.m.; Selectman Chapel seconded; all in favor. Motion carried.

*Respectfully Submitted, Marlene B. Aulten  
Recording Secretary*