

Hampton Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 2, 2025

The regular meeting of the Hampton Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:04 by First Selectman Allan Cahill. Also present were board members Selectmen Bob Grindle and John Tillinghast, Kathy Donahue, Board of Finance chair, and Jennifer Nelson, Administrative Assistant.

First Selectman Cahill called for a moment of silence to honor resident Glen Newcombe who recently passed.

2. Audience for Citizens: None

3. Acceptance/Approval Minutes of May 8, 2025: **Selectman Bob Grindle moved to approve the minutes of May 8, 2025. Selectman John Tillinghast seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

4. Additions to Agenda: **First Selectman Cahill moved to add Discuss and Possibly Act on the All-States Paving Proposal for Bigelow and South Bigelow Roads under New Business C. Discuss and Possibly Act on an appeal of the Solar Park court decision under Old Business B, and discuss closing the town hall on Thursday, June 19th (June 19th is Juneteenth, a Federal Holiday), and open the following day, June 20th under New Business D, from 9am-1pm, under New Business D. Selectman Grindle seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

5. Communications: Mr. Cahill wanted to thank Mr. Grindle and Tillinghast for the stellar organization of the Memorial Day Parade festivities. The First Selectman shared communications regarding the court cost ruling regarding the Solar Park court decision, Hampton was awarded a STEAP grant of \$500,000 for the Windham Road repave, and Hinding Courts are a month behind starting any projects due to weather complications. New solar panels were installed at the town hall on June 2. Another outlet will need to be installed downstairs in the utility room, and IT is aware of the space adjustments.

6. Financial Report: No questions.

7. Tax Collector Report: No report or refunds.

8. Appointment(s): **Selectman Grindle moved to appoint Stan Crawford for a full term and Peggy King as an alternate for a two-year term on IWWC, and Tim Studer to the Green Energy Committee. Selectman Tillinghast seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

9. Board/Committee/Commission Minutes/reports for review: None

10. Old Business

A. 2025-26 Budget Discussion: The Board of Finance will meet later this week to finalize the budget proposal. The RD 11 referendum vote is tomorrow, June 3 from 12 noon to 8 PM.

There will be a hearing on the lower level of the town hall community room for the general budget and elementary school budget on Friday at 7PM.

B. Solar Park Legal Decision: After a discussion of the parameters of the legal decision, and inclusion of legal fees, **Selectman Grindle moved to approve the potential appeal of the decision. Selectman Tillinghast seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

11. New Business

A. Annual Town Meeting Agenda: After a discussion of the annual Town Meeting Agenda, **Selectman Bob Grindle moved to approve the legal notice, as amended. Selectman Tillinghast seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

B. July 2025 Meeting: First Selectman Cahill would like to cancel the July 7th Board of Selectmen meeting and hold it on July 10th at 6:30 PM.

C. All-States Paving Contract: First Selectman Cahill distributed and discussed the proposal from All-States Paving Company for Bigelow and South Bigelow Rds. Mr. Cahill noted there were funds in this year's budget, and next year's budget that will cover the cost of the proposal. **Selectman John Tillinghast moved to pave So Bigelow Road and Bigelow Road for a cost up to \$443,606.52. Selectman Bob Grindle seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

D. Juneteenth, traditionally recognized on June 19th is a Thursday, and is a federal holiday. **Selectman Grindle moved to close the town hall on June 19th and offer town services on June 20th from 9AM to 1PM. Selectman Tillinghast seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

12. Audience for Citizens: None

13. Adjournment: **Selectman Grindle moved to adjourn at 7:52 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Nelson, Administrative Assistant