

**TOWN OF HAMPTON  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING Minutes  
Monday, April 6, 2020  
6:00 PM**

1. Call to Order- 6:00 PM
2. In attendance – First Selectman Cahill, Selectman Grindle and Selectman Meade. John Guskowski is hosting this meeting.
3. First Selectman Cahill would like to thank John Guskowski for his hosting and helping us facilitate this meeting via Go-To-Meeting platform
4. Audience for Citizens –
5. Acceptance /Approval of Minutes of Meeting March 2, 2020  
Motion: Selectman Meade/Selectman Grindle moved/seconded to approve the minutes from March 26, 2020 with the correction of Mark Samios as a regular member of the Conservation Commission. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.
6. Liaison Reports  
Public Works February, March continued removal of dead trees. Removed trees in front of the school and remove curbing that was destroyed from EastConn plowing this year. We are going to get the Town of Brooklyn to assist us in pumping out the culverts at Hampton Elementary School and Town Road. Forman Sholes rebuilt the 1999 F250 pickup truck front end, rebuild the wood chipper and road mower. Staying busy during the rainy days. Getting old equipment tuned up and ready for Spring. Replaced signs that disappeared and repairs to Transfer Station.  
First Selectman – This week there was Covid 19 in our region. Dan Meade and I were overwhelmed by 25-30 hours of conference calls via the Governor, Department of Health, Fema and Homeland Security. Had other meetings also. The school was closed March 9, 2020. We closed the town hall to the public that same week. All department are functioning but with no access to the general public. Transfer station and Department of Public Works is functional. Would like to welcome Jay Gigliotti, zoning enforcement officer. As a whole, the town and town hall (without public access) are functioning. I have not as yet submitted a formal letter to RD#11 as far as our wish to withdraw from the district. Would like to do it face to face but I'm still working on the letter. I have paid the money owed to the Board of Finance for the private council, Kerry Olson of Murtha Cullina.  
The pavilion is being manufactured in Pennsylvania, and should arrive in a week or two.  
I talked to Bill Ireland, who has been the tenant steward at the little river parcel on agricultural land. He is going to continue, but will work with Woodhill Farm, is actually going to take the first cutting and he's going to take the second and third cutting, we're both going to do in kind work to reclaim some fields and land and increase access to watershed.

Got contract signed with the Believers of the Mennonite Church. The rent is frozen and not collected until they can use the building again. Currently they are not having services or using the classrooms downstairs . When They're allowed to legally to assemble, they will start paying rent again.

Toured W. Fisk Road solar park and it looks like they are almost done.

7. Communications – 23 Governor Lamont Executive orders

8. Financial Report – No questions

9. Tax collector Report – Do not have yet. There is a Eastern Connecticut Tax collectors conference call tomorrow to see if their interpretation is the same as on the governor's, extension, on collecting taxes.

A. Refunds – None

10. Appointment(s)/Term(s)

A. Green Energy Committee –

Motion: Selectman Grindle /Selectman Meade moved/seconded to appoint Kate Donnelly, Everett Hyde, Maryellen Donnelly, Bob Marsh, Sharon Wakely regular members, Revell-Sandberg Diment – Alternates Term January 2020- January 2022. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Jamie Boss Deputy Director and Pat Boss Information Officers to Emergency Management Team.

Motion: Selectman Meade/Selectman Grindle moved/seconded to appoint Jamie Boss Deputy Director and Pat Boss Information Officers to Emergency Management Team. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously. They were deputized when COVID-19 hit

9. Additions to the agenda – F. Raise under Hazard Pay for Andy and Ralph at Transfer Station.

Motion: Selectman Meade/Selectman Grindle/moved/seconded to add F. Hazard pay for Andy and Ralph at transfer station. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

G. Discuss Memorial Day Parade.

Motion: Selectman Meade/Selectman Grindle moved /seconded to have G. Discussion on Memorial Day Parade. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Board/Committee/Commission Minutes/reports for review

11. Old Business

A. Discussion and Action: KB Ambulance Contract with Pomfret and Eastford. Selectman Cahill – I do not have a contract as promised. Will table until next meeting.

Motion: Selectman Meade/Selectman Grindle moved/seconded to table until next meeting. All in favor.

Motion passed unanimously.

12. New Business

A. Discussion and Action: Governor Lamont Executive Orders No 7S #6 Suspension & Modification of Tax Deadlines and Collections of Efforts. Shall "for 90 days" Plan A. or B. First Selectman Cahill would like to table before we make a decision.

**Motion: Selectman Meade/Selectman Grindle moved/seconded to table for more consideration. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.**

**B. Discussion and Action: #7 Allowance of Suspension of In-person voting requirement for critical & time sensitive municipal deadlines – “May Authorize”**

**Motion: Selectman Grindle/Selectman Meade/seconded and moved to authorize the Board of Finance to put together a budget with 1% increase and allow suspension of in person voting requirement.. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.**

**C. Discussion and Action: Connecticut Department of Housing Affordable Housing Plan Grant Resolution not to exceed \$15,000. To be done every 5 years.**

**Motion: Selectman Meade/Selectman Grindle/moved/seconded to approve the resolution and authorize John Guskowski to submit Affordable Housing Technical Assistant Grant Application to the Connecticut Department of Housing. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.**

**D. Discussion and Action: Northeast Connecticut Council of Government Paramedic Intercept.**

**Motion: Selectman Meade/Selectman Grindle/moved/seconded to approve the Northeast Connecticut Council of Government Paramedic Intercept Service Contract. All in Favor. Motion Passed Unanimously.**

**E. (LOCIP) - Local Capital Improvement Program to contracted “Hazard Trees” \$24,750 . We usually use for pavement. The grant is for \$28,000 this budget year.**

**Motion: Selectman Grindle/Selectman Meade/moved/seconded to use the LOCIP for the hazard tree removal. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.**

**F. Discussion and Action: Hazard pay for Andrew Boxall and Ralph Brand \$3-5 Wednesday and Saturday compensation.**

**Motion: Selectman Grindle/Selectman Meade/moved/seconded to give Andre Boxall and Ralph Brand a \$4/hr increase during the COVID-19 for hazard pay.**

**G. Discuss: Cancel Memorial Day Parade**

**Motion: Selectman Grindle/Selectman Meade/moved/seconded to put on next meeting should have more information at time. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.**

**13. Audience for Citizens**

**Diane Meade – Suggest residents in town start gardening for survival and victory over COVID-19 Dan Meade – Meals on Wheels. First Selectman Cahill will check with Billy Rose on that.**

**14. Adjournment - Selectman Grindle/Selectman Meade moved/seconded to adjourn at 6:48 PM. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Approved by the Board of Selectman May 7, 2020**