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**HAMPDEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
April 7, 2010**

Meeting called to order: 7:30pm

Members Present – Doug Boyd, Acting Chair, Carol Fitzgerald, Jamie Collins and Jeff Smith.
Absent – Timm Marini

Minutes – The minutes from the April 5th regular meeting and Public Hearing were reviewed. Doug made a motion to approve the minutes from the regular meeting and the Public Hearing as written. Carol seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Budget – The Board reviewed and finalized the budget numbers. Salary and clerical numbers reflect the next step on the labor chart or a 2.5% increase if the employee is at the maximum. A suggestion was made that if the budget was approved a letter should be sent to the departments notifying them that salary and clerical pay rates are budgeted for a move to the next step, or if at maximum, then a 2.5% increase. There will be \$79,150.98 coming from the Overlay account with \$23,800 for warrant articles, \$25,000 for the Reserve Fund and the balance of \$30,350.98 to Stabilization.

Warrant – Warrant Article recommendations for the annual town meeting are as follows:

- Article 1. Town Reports: recommend favorable action.
- Article 2. Budget: recommend favorable action.
- Article 3. Previous Bills: recommend no action.
- Article 4. Revolving Funds for FY11: recommend favorable action
- Article 5. Revolving Fund Reports: recommend favorable action
- Article 6. Enterprise Fund Transfer Station: recommend favorable action
- Article 7. Community Preservation Act: recommend unfavorable action
- Article 8. Community Preservation Committee: recommend favorable action
- Article 9. Conservation Fund: recommend favorable action
- Article 10. Highway State Aid: recommend favorable action
- Article 11. Library Additional State Aid: recommend favorable action
- Article 12. Assessors: recommend favorable action
- Article 13. Assessors Stabilization Fund: recommend favorable action
- Article 14. Dare Program: recommend favorable action
- Article 15. School Resource Officer: recommend favorable action
- Article 16. Granting of Easement-Perennial Lane: recommendation from the floor
- Article 17. General Bylaw-Demolition Delay: recommendation from the floor
- Article 18. Goat Rock Acquisition: recommend favorable action
- Article 19. Town Meeting Reporting: recommend favorable action

Article 20. Volunteer Tax Abatement Opportunity: recommendation from the floor

Article 21. Reserve Fund: recommend favorable action

Article 22. Stabilization Fund: recommendation from the floor

Article 23. Reducing Tax Rate: recommendation from the floor

Other Items – none

Mail - reviewed

Jamie made a motion to adjourn at 9:50pm. Jeff seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Submitted by: Deborah House, Clerk