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**TOWN OF HAMPDEN, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN/BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**MINUTES**

October 3, 2005  
7:05 pm

Town House  
625 Main Street

Present: James D. Smith, Duane E. Mosier, John D. Flynn  
Guests: Lorri McCool, Board of Health Agent

7:00 pm      Lorri McCool, Board of Health Agent: Lorri came before the Board to explain the variance request for 65 Allen Street: A Title V Inspection was done at 65 Allen Street, and the system passed the inspection but was within 100' from neighbor's well. It is 74' from the abutter's well to the septic system in question. There was a high coliform content in the shallow well which Lorri stated could come from many sources. The leach field is in good repair, and it meets Title V. Well can be chlorinated to counteract the effects of the coliform. There were no indications that contamination in the well was from septic system.

A motion was made by Duane Mosier stating that the septic system at 65 Allen Street has met all of Title V requirements except the setback requirement. The Board of Health accepts the condition of the leach field at 65 Allen Street as it exists with a 74' setback from the well at 67 Allen Street, based on the test results not showing a causal relationship between the coliform in the shallow well and the septic system. Seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

42 Paradise Lane: Lorri McCool also discussed the variance application for 42 Paradise Lane: This property has no other option on the lot to position another septic system. There is currently a distance of 73' between the septic system and the existing well on the same property and any other options are unavailable for use.

A motion was made by John Flynn to grant a variance to allow the leach field to be installed within 73' of an existing well. Seconded by Duane Mosier. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

1. Warrant Articles: The Boards discussed the possible placement of the following articles on the warrant for the Special Town Meeting on November 7, 2005:

- Ted King article regarding rezoning property on North Monson Road (Planning Board will have public hearing on 10/12).
  - CPA and Smart Growth initiative
  - Town House Utilities
  - Fire House Utilities
  - Street Lights
  - TWB repairs
  - Police Reserve Training
  - Additional funds for gasoline
  - Funding for Reserve Account
2. Theater Guild: The Guild has requested reserving the Town House on the following dates for their next production: September 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 2006. The Board discussed how well received the production of Guys and Dolls was and the Town's enthusiasm for the theater group. There are a few logistics that need to be discussed with the Guild and they will be invited to a Board meeting to discuss next year's production.
  3. Scantic River: The Board reviewed a letter sent by Chief Peter Hatch relative to the condition of the Scantic River and the use of that water by the Fire Department for firefighting purposes.
  4. Fire Truck bid: There was a motion made by Duane Mosier to allow James D. Smith to sign a contract to order/purchase a Fire Truck with Freightliner of Hartford contingent upon Town Counsel approve its form. VOTE: John Flynn yes, Duane Mosier yes.
  5. Minutes of September 20, 2005: Minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by John Flynn to approve as corrected. Second by Duane Mosier. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.
  6. Executive Session Minutes of September 20, 2005: Minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by Duane Mosier to approve as submitted. Second by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.
    - Meeting date for Selectmen, Finance, Advisory and School Committee: It was agreed by the Board that the date of October 18<sup>th</sup> would work for them to attend meeting with all parties.
    - DEP Inspection: An unscheduled DEP inspection occurred at the Highway Garage and Dana Pixley, Highway Superintendent summarized the inspection in a letter to the Board. With the exception of some minor recommendations, the inspection went extremely well and those necessary items will be addressed by the Highway Superintendent.
    - Flag Procedure: The Police responded to the Board's request relative to the flag at the intersection of Allen Street and Wilbraham Road. John Flynn will request that a private entity fund the light at that intersection so the flag may fly during the night.
    - Department Head Meeting Date: The Board set the date to meet with Department Heads on November 16, 2005.

- Garden Club Planting at intersection of Allen Street and Wilbraham Road:  
The group would like to plant at this intersection. The Board's only stipulation is that the plantings are placed so that mowing may occur easily by our Highway Department.
- Girl Scouts, Troop 653: The Troop is requesting one day licenses to sell baked goods on 10/8, 11/12, 12/10. The Board voted to grant a one day general license to allow the Girl Scouts, Troop 653 to sell baked goods on 10/8, 11/12 and 12/10.

A motion was made by John Flynn to adjourn meeting at 10:30 pm. Seconded by Duane Mosier. VOTE: John Flynn yes, Duane Mosier yes, James Smith yes.

Respectfully submitted:

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