

Approved 11/14/05

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

October 29, 2005
8:00 am

625 Main Street
Town House

Present: James D. Smith, Duane E. Mosier, John D. Flynn

A special meeting was called to order by James D. Smith at 8 am in the Town Hall. Also present were Advisory Board members: Doug Boyd, Kathy Pessolano, Carol Fitzgerald and Tim Marini. Mike Crowley was absent.

This was a joint meeting between the Board of Selectmen and the Advisory Board to discuss the warrant and the transfer of funds from line items 7.2 and 7.3 and to determine an amount to be placed in the reserve fund.

With the recent fluctuating changes in energy costs, we reviewed the validity of our projections. We discussed our options and how best to approach funding for the storm damage. We also discussed the impact of the flood of October 15, 2005 and the impact on the articles and the funds available and its relationship to set the tax rate for FY06.

Options:

- Defer until spring town meeting and emergency spend.
- Hold an override vote in December 2005 to fund storm cost.
- At special town meeting request authority to borrow up to three years.

The advisory committee adjourned and left the meeting.

A motion was made by John D. Flynn to go into Executive Session to discuss the Chief of Police's contract with return to Open Session at 9:03 A.M. Motion seconded by Duane Mosier. Vote: James Smith yes, Duane Mosier yes, John Flynn yes.

A motion was made by John Flynn to leave Executive Session and return to Open Session at 9:20 am, seconded by Duane Mosier. VOTE: John Flynn yes, Duane Mosier, yes and James Smith yes.

A letter was received from the Conservation Commission requesting approval to reduce the Request for Determination filing fee to \$10.00 for Town Residents making applications for restoring their property damaged by the storm of October 15, 2005. A motion was made by John D. Flynn to allow this temporary request ending December 31, 2005 and seconded by Duane E. Mosier. Passed unanimously

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Duane Mosier and seconded by John D. Flynn. VOTE: Duane Mosier yes, John Flynn yes, James Smith yes.

Meeting adjourned 9:40 am.

Respectfully submitted:

Duane E. Mosier, Selectman