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

February 7, 2007
1:00 pm

625 Main Street
Town House

Present: Duane E. Mosier, John D. Flynn, Richard R. Green

1:00 pm Chief Farnsworth, TWB Principal, Noel Pixley and Donna Scanlon, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum: The Chief requested time before the Board to discuss the DARE program in town schools.

Funding for the program will be approximately \$6,000 – 8,000 to implement the program at Thornton W. Burgess School. These costs would cover training, materials, and staffing.

Rick Green stated support of the DARE program and suggested that the two towns coordinate the program in the middle schools so students entering Minnechaug, will all be familiar with it.

Any staff time by the police officers, becomes an overtime issue.

Duane Mosier is opposed to funding the program as a line item in addition to the school's budget and the police department's budget.

The Police Department currently utilizes a School Resource Officer and Rick Green suggested that the question be put to the voters this year to see how they respond.

Chief Farnsworth will work on getting solid numbers ready for the meeting on 2/20 with the Board.

This office will notify Advisory that there is a request for funding the \$6,000-8,000 in this year's budget.

Academy Hall: Duane Mosier brought forward a quote from ComTel Alarm Engineering (who did the Fire Alarm System in the Police Station) for the security system at Academy Hall in the amount of \$1755 with an additional \$260 for a MTA-1 four channel voice dialer programmed to call the Police Department.

A motion was made by Rick Green to approve the work and installation of an alarm system as proposed by ComTel to be installed at Academy Hall in the amount of \$2,015, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

A motion was made by Rick Green to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 pm, and was seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Respectfully submitted:

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