

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

March 26, 2007
6:00 pm

625 Main Street
Town House

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

1. 6:00 pm Sumaria Installation: The Board asked the Town Accountant and, Town Treasurer to come in to discuss the start up of the new software program, Sumaria. The treasurer requested that the Town wait until the end of the fiscal year prior to implementing it. Tracy Scibaldi spoke with Sumaria representatives who suggested that timing being what it is, it makes sense to wait until July 1. Town Accountant, Cliff Bombard would like to run double books for a couple of months while the program is in a test phase. John Flynn asked about the best way in which to educate/inform department heads as to how to review the system and its reports. Department heads can review reports, without the ability to change any of the inputted information. Cliff plans on starting this in May, running double books and expects that in July 1, it will be up and running.

The Board also asked that Cliff review any possible transfers prior to the town meeting, so those expenses may be handled properly.

2. Advisory Meeting: The Board of Selectmen met with the Advisory Committee to discuss the mailing of green sheets.
3. Green Meadows Septic Agreement: The Board discussed the insurance liability amounts for the septic designer. A motion was made by Rick Green to sign the contract between Civil Engineering Associates, and the Town for the design of a new septic system at Green Meadows School in the amount of \$2,000.00 and was seconded by Duane Mosier. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.
4. Laughing Brook Proposal: Mass Audubon submitted a letter to the Board to notify them of their intent to do some property clean-up at Laughing Brook along with a proposal to allow access to the sanctuary (unstaffed) for the public's use. They intend to clear the debris left from the October 2005 flood. The plan is to re-establish the driveway and parking area so there is access to existing trails. The Board is in full support of the proposed renovations.
5. Outdoor Wood Furnaces Appeal: The Board received a request from an outdoor furnace owner, Dave Crombie, on Mill Road. He would like permission to extend his burning season for an additional two weeks later than what had been mandated

by the Board. The Board previously ordered that all furnace operations cease as of April 1, 2007. A motion was made by Rick Green to extend the burning season for outdoor wood furnaces until April 15, 2007, and was seconded by Duane Mosier. VOTE: All in favor and so voted. BOH will send letters to those owners stating same.

6. Minutes of March 5, 2007: The minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by John Flynn to approve as submitted, and was seconded by Rick Green. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.
7. Minutes of March 13, 2007: The minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by John Flynn to approve as submitted, and was seconded by Rick Green. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.
8. Minutes of March 19, 2007: The minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by John Flynn to approve as submitted, and was seconded by Rick Green. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.
9. Howlett Hill Road sign: Bob Majkut has requested that the sign stating "Dangerous, maintenance discontinued" be removed as he thinks it may hinder the sale of his house. The Board will contact Dana Pixley, Highway Superintendent.
10. Meeting with Wilbraham Selectmen: The Board was scheduled to attend a meeting with the Superintendent of Schools and the Wilbraham Selectmen to discuss the issue of the Minnechaug septic/sewer issue.

A motion was made by Rick Green to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm so the Board could attend the Wilbraham Selectmen's meeting, and was seconded by Duane Mosier. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Respectfully submitted:

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