

Approved 3/20/08

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

March 10, 2008
6:30 pm

625 Main Street
Town House

Board Members: John D. Flynn, Richard R. Green, Vincent J. Villamaino

Conservation Commission Members: Pat Cote, Jeff Liquori

Building Committee Members: Bob Burger, Ray Andree

Guests: Michelle Aveyard, Wilbraham-Hampden Times, Ed Gorski

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by John D. Flynn.

Chief Hatch: Fire Chief, Peter Hatch came before the Board to discuss a warrant article for Annual Town Meeting to fund the replacement of the fire house doors. He received a quote for \$7,200 for all four overhead doors. One of the existing doors has some damage to it and with the door replacements; the energy savings would be significant. He will check on the disposal of the existing doors and ask about holding the quote until July (once funding has been approved). There was also discussion about the timeliness of the submittal of inspection fees by the Chief to the Treasurer, and with that the offer of hiring a clerk to help maintain records for the Department. The Chief does not think a clerk is necessary to handle the workload.

Conservation Commission: Commission members were invited in to discuss the River Park Drive issue. The site has been visited on two different occasions by Commission members, prior to the meeting with Weichselbaumer. Weichselbaumer was told he could bring vehicles on the property, but not keep them there. Another inspection will be done at the site in early spring.

Building Committee, Ray Andree, Bob Burger: Ray and Bob attended the meeting to discuss the next round of renovations needed. The Board has asked that they come back with a list of priorities along with estimates for the repairs, which they will do within the next few weeks.

Minutes: The Board reviewed the minutes of March 3, 2008. A motion was made by Rick Green to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Vinnie Villamaino.

VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Transfer Station Monitoring Proposal: After having researched other contractors, the Board agreed to proceed with the proposal submitted. A motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to approve the proposal submitted by Michael Framarin to perform the Landfill Monitoring with costs of \$8,258.00 for laboratory fees and \$3,800 for analysis

and labor fees, bringing the total for monitoring to \$12,058.00, seconded by John Flynn.
VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Outdoor Wood Burning Furnace: The Board reviewed a copy of a letter sent to Nescaum (who performed a study in conjunction with the EPA) by Representative Mary Rogeness on behalf of Lynne and Robb Wallace. She wrote to question the method used to determine emissions from OWBF as those findings might be inaccurate and therefore play a role in the *Town's banning the use of the furnaces*. In fact, the Town has not banned the furnaces, but has placed restrictions on their use. Rick will contact Mary directly to inform her of the restrictions on burning use, rather than an outright ban in Town.

Generator Bollard Bids: The Board reviewed the bids submitted for bollard installation to protect the two generators. A motion was made by Rick Green to award the job to Billy Bond Construction at the Senior Center and the Town House, second by Vinnie Villamaino. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Academy Hall: The Board has been investigating the costs for the exterior painting of Academy Hall as well as the removal and remediation of the bat habitation in the attic of the hall.

Dates:

Town Meeting Warrant Posting: 4/07

Special Town Meeting Warrant Posting: 4/07

Advisory Hearing: 4/07

Town Meeting: 4/28

Town Election: 5/05

With no further business, a motion was made by Rick Green to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm, seconded by Vinnie Villamaino. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Respectfully submitted:

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Administrative Assistant

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