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

March 17, 2008
6:00 pm

625 Main Street
Town House

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by John Flynn.
Board Members in attendance: John D. Flynn, Richard R. Green
Absent: Vincent J. Villamaino

6:00 pm Advisory Committee: The Board was scheduled to review final budget numbers for the Selectmen's accounts as well as review the warrants for the Annual Town Meeting and the Special Town Meeting on April 28th.

Advisory Public Hearing: The hearing is scheduled for April 7, 7:00 pm and will be published in the Legal Notices for two consecutive weeks prior to the meeting date.

6:30 pm Historical Commission: Connie Witt and Chrissy Cesan, members of the Historical Commission came before the Board to discuss an application drafted by the Board of Selectmen seeking Community Preservation grant funding funds for the painting of Academy Hall. There was a misunderstanding of who should be applying for the grant through CPC. John Flynn will attend the Community Preservation Commission meeting on Wednesday, the 19th to discuss the project and estimated cost for the possibility of inclusion in the Town Meeting article.

Transfer Requests: The Board reviewed the following requests for transfers:

Gasoline Account: There is the need for repair to the sump pumps to the fuel tanks at the Highway garage and the estimated work is in the amount of \$3,000. A motion was made by Rick Green to present the transfer request of \$3,000 from the Reserve Account to the Gasoline Account on **March 3, 2008** and seconded by Vinnie Villamaino. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

When presented to Advisory for approval, the Committee was uncertain of the balance in the Reserve Account and held it for approval until known.

Legal Advertising: There is a request in the amount of \$200 for this account. A motion was made by Rick Green to present the request to Advisory Committee for a transfer of \$200.00 from the Reserve Account into Legal Advertising, and was seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Insurance - Property & Liability: There is a request in the amount \$500 for anticipated bills for our liability insurance. A motion was made by Rick Green to present the request

to Advisory Committee for a transfer of \$500 from the Reserve Account into the Property and Liability Account, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Town House Maintenance: A transfer request was made in the amount of \$1500 to pay anticipated bills for further maintenance in the town hall. A motion was made by Rick Green to present the request to Advisory Committee for a transfer of \$1500 from the Reserve Account into the Maintenance Account, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Central Register DCAM Form: A form was submitted by the architects to be signed by the Board of Selectmen. It is part of the bid process required by the State for the generator bid.

Regional Selectmen's Meeting: John Flynn attended the meeting hosted by the Longmeadow Selectmen on Thursday. There was a presentation on the performance of the Hampden County Retirement funds and how they compare to the State's investment funds performance. A resolution was presented to members in attendance asking that they move the fund management to PRIM, as the sole investment manager.

A motion was made by Rick Green to send a letter recommending the investment of Hampden County Retirement funds be moved to the State's retirement fund, PRIM as the sole investment manager, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Bid Specifications: The Board discussed the inconsistencies in the bid specifications for the bollards at the Town House and Senior Center, and will send out for a rebid.

Highway Department: A letter was submitted to the Board by Dana Pixley, Highway Superintendent requesting the Board's support in changing the status of Lauren Comstock, Highway Department member to that of a full-time, permanent member; eligible for all benefits offered in that position. The Board of Selectmen concurs with Dana's recommendation. A motion was made by Rick Green to allow Lauren Comstock to begin employment as a full-time permanent member of the Highway Department, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Board of Health, Outdoor Wood-Fired/Boiler Furnaces: After discussions with Dave Martel, Town Counsel as to continued operations of furnaces by those owners not in compliance, the recommendation was to send the following letters once voted by the Board of Selectmen.

The following motion was entertained by Rick Green:

I move that the Board of Health order that John P. Angelica, Kristen G. Angelica immediately cease operating outdoor wood-fired boiler/furnace located at the premises at 111 Ames Road on the basis of the failure of these owners to obtain a permit for operation of the outdoor wood-fired boiler/furnace as required by regulations adopted by the Hampden Board of Health and, further that Town Counsel be instructed to bring an

enforcement action in the event that these property owners have failed to discontinue use of the outdoor wood-fired boiler/furnace by March 21, 2008.

Motion was so moved by John Flynn, seconded by Rick Green. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

The following motion was entertained by Rick Green:

I move that the Board of Health order that Laurence R. Wallace, Jr. and Lynne Marie Wallace immediately cease operating outdoor wood-fired boiler/furnaces located at the premises at 39 Hickory Lane on the basis of the failure of these owners to obtain a permit for operation of the outdoor wood-fired/furnace as required by regulations adopted by the Hampden Board of Health and, further that Town Counsel be instructed to bring an enforcement action in the event that these property owners have failed to discontinue use of the outdoor wood-fired boiler/furnace by March 21, 2008.

Motion so moved by John Flynn, seconded by Rick Green. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

The Board discussed one other outdoor wood-fired boiler/ furnace owner. After Rick Green had a conversation with the owners, Michael R. Moauro and Gina M. Moauro, 68 North Monson Road in which they stated that it was their intent to stop operations on March 21st. The Moauro's will work over the summer to come into compliance and file proper permits as they intend to relocate the furnace prior to the beginning of the next burning season. The Board will track that permit process to ensure the owner is in compliance and will reinspect the property prior to October 1, 2009. Should the Moauro's system not be in compliance, a letter will be sent to stop all burning operations at this location.

Dates:

Post BOS meeting of April 7 for 6:30, prior to the 7:00 pm start of the Advisory Hearing.

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

Respectfully submitted:

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