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

June 2, 2010
6:30 pm

625 Main Street
Town House

Board Members: John D. Flynn, Richard R. Green

Vincent J. Villamaino was unable to attend the meeting due to family matters.

Guests: Ed Gorski, Tyler Witkop, The Wilbraham-Hampden Times

The meeting was called to order by Rick Green at 6:35 pm.

1. Fire Department Resumes: The board received eight resumes for the seven officer positions available. Those candidates will be interviewed and the board will seek an outside consultant to interview the Chief's candidate.
2. Fire Department: The board will send a letter seeking the support of our State Senators for two possible fire department equipment grants.
3. Minutes of May 24, 2010: motion made by Rick Green to approve as with change, regarding cruiser purchase, second by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.
4. Main Street Culvert Addendum Proposal: A motion was made by Rick Green to approve an additional \$17,000 in expenses for Tighe and Bond to continue the permitting process with the Army Corps of Engineers, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.
5. National Grid Letter: A letter was sent by National Grid regarding the house relocation from Allen Street to Chapin Road. Unfortunately it was sent prematurely as the date for the move has not been finally determined.
6. One Day Liquor Permit: The Hampden Art Guild applied for one day permits to serve food and dispense wine for the following dates from 6 pm to 9 pm (June 4, 11th, 18th, 25th). A motion was made by Rick Green to approve the one day permits for the Hampden Art Guild, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.
7. Hampden House Catering, Inc.: The board reviewed the permit to operate a food establishment by Hampden House Catering, Inc. at the Hampden Country Club. There Vote to ratify the vote: to the Hampden House Catering for food service.

8. Lions Club: The Lion's Club is planning an event on the last day of school and requested a one day permit for the event. A motion was made by Rick green to approve the one day food permit for June 21, 2010 at Memorial Park from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.
9. Hazard Mitigation Grant Program: MEMA will be holding an informational meeting on the subject on June 16 in Agawam from 1:30-3:30, which Rick will attend.
10. Highway Department: The Highway Superintendent submitted a letter sent to a resident informing them of a hazardous tree on private property that needs to be tended to by the homeowner. In addition, he noted that there were two other hazardous trees that belonged to the town that needed immediate removal. He is moving forward on the removals and the funding will be determined at a later date (total cost approximately \$3,000).
11. Conservation Restriction for Goat Rock: Town Counsel has reviewed the conservation restrictions placed on Goat Rock, and has forwarded to the board for their review.
12. House Relocation Update: We have been working on scheduling a date to move the house that works for all parties. A meeting has been scheduled for June 8th at 11:00 am to ensure we are filled in on all necessary details, including how many police details will be needed for the move. The move has now been **tentatively** scheduled for July 10th and 11th.
13. Cost of Living Increase: The board has been informed of a cost of living increase of 5.8% scheduled for the veterans on July 1, 2010. If we had been informed earlier in the year, the increase could have been captured in the budget rather than having to deal with it at a later date.
14. Riso Copier Purchase: The board is reviewing the purchase of a new Riso copier machine which allows for many copies to be used by Park and Rec, the Senior Scribe publication, as well as copies for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office. A motion was made by Rick Green to approve the purchase, contingent upon finalization maintenance fee, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Discussion:

- COA note regarding new board member
- W.H.A.T. fundraiser
- Cyber Safe Kids – June 7 at Minnechaug 6-7 pm
- Monthly Flea Market at Hatch property on Main Street- the board will contact Planning, Building and Fire Department to voice their opinion on the request and get back to the Hatch's.

- Abandoned House on corner of Highland Circle and South Monson Road:
Contact surrounding communities as to how they handle abandoned properties
and check with Lance Trevallion as well.

Note:

- Open Meeting Law Seminar: June 10 – 5-7 pm, Fire Station Conference Room,
34 Williams Street, Longmeadow

With no further business, a motion was made by Rick Green to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

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Administrative Assistant

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