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

June 6, 2011
6:30 pm

625 Main Street
Town House

Board Members: John D. Flynn, Richard R. Green, Vincent J. Villamaino
The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Richard R. Green.

Carolyn Jodoin: Chief Farnsworth came before the board to introduce Carolyn Jodoin as an applicant for a Part Time Dispatcher position. Caroline has been working in Longmeadow and has good experience. The chief noted that dispatching will become a specialized field very soon.

A motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to appoint Carolyn Jodoin as a part time dispatcher, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

The Chief was asked about the arrival of the new car and we were told it will arrive in June or July.

Michael Fedora: Chief Gorski came before the board to introduce Michael Fedora as a candidate for a Provisional Firefighter. He lives on Ames Road, and been through the interview process and his appointment will be contingent upon the physical agility test. The board relies on the Chief and his opinion and as a result a motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to appoint Michael Fedora as a provisional Firefighter, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

The board and fire and police chief agreed to have a meeting when the Highway Superintendent returns from vacation to go over what went well and what might have gone better during the storm event.

Ames Road Status: Resident Rockwell Keeney from 282 Ames Road came before the board with a concern about the lack of information flowing from this office to the residents on Ames Road. Unfortunately there was not a lot of information forthcoming from any of state or federal agencies. He did applaud the efforts of National Grid, Verizon and Charter Cable for doing an exemplary job on the clean up. Rick has contacted National Grid and MEMA and is waiting to hear back from both entities before given any promises. We will wait to see what National Grid does tomorrow and assess further from there.

Senator Gale Candaras' office said there is an emergency fund being put together for cleanup work.

Warrant posting: The board received a response that special legislation will be required to rectify the posting discrepancy.

Raymond Drive complaint: A resident from Raymond Drive sent a note and called the police on a noise nuisance on the night a prom was being held at the Hampden Country Club. The event was a later than normal event. Rick Green asked that the officer go to the site where the complaint is coming from prior to going to the location of the disturbance (for noise nuisance) to check out the veracity of the complaint.

A note will be sent to the complainant noting the hours allowed for entertainment.

Stormwater reporting: The board will send a note to the EPA to say there is progress being made.

GASB45: Rick will check with Cliff as to whether or not we have to do this.

SVRHT Health Plan Survey: Rick will check with Arlene tomorrow.

Eagle Scout request: Two scouts will make the level of Eagle Scout on Sunday June 12th and the board members will attend.

Liquor License transfer: There is an application before the board for a transfer of license from Scantic Enterprises to Michael Ladden from West Hartford, CT. The hearing will be held on June 20th at 7:00 pm.

Note:

- Board of Health, Transfer station small bags will go on sale.
- National Grid acknowledgement: The board will contact Charlie Bennett sending "a rose" to National Grid and all the work they have done since the tornado.
- Ames Road Status
- Fire Department Dinner, June 18, 6:30 pm: All board members will attend

John will order computer for Cliff Bombard, Town Accountant.

With no further business, a motion was made by John Flynn to adjourn at 7:50 pm, seconded by Vinnie Villamaino. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

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Administrative Assistant

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