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

October 17, 2011  
6:30 pm

625 Main Street  
Town House

Board Members: Richard R. Green, Vincent J. Villamaino, John D. Flynn  
The meeting was called to order by Rick Green at 6:30 pm.  
Guest: Tom Foster

Tom Foster: Homeowner from Mt. Vision Road was before the board again to discuss an issue he has regarding his property and his abutting property, upon which part of his deck has been built. The Fosters are trying to sell their home, but upon discovering that they have built on town property, they are now looking for a quick remedy. Unfortunately, the two options available to the Treasurer each take 45 to 60 days to complete. The option chosen is to go forward with a tax title auction as soon as possible and Dick Patullo will facilitate that.

After the discussion, it was noted by Dick Patullo that the Board needs to appoint someone as Tax Title Custodian.

A motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to appoint Dick Patullo, Town Treasurer to the position of Tax Title Custodian, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Chief Gorski: The Chief came before the board to introduce Matt Sterling as an applicant for the Fire Department. The board members know Matt and are pleased to approve his appointment, as recommended by Chief Gorski. A motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to appoint Matt Sterling as an Auxiliary Fire Fighter effective today, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Highway Superintendent: Dana Pixley came before the board to discuss the warrant article for Special Town Meeting seeking funding for the road machinery account. Dana has researched possible repairs to get the loader through the next few years in lieu of buying a new loader. The board asked that the Highway Superintendent explore more options prior to Town Meeting.

Advisory Hearing: The meeting was reconvened in the Auditorium at 7:00 pm for the Advisory Hearing.

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The board members reconvened at 7:55 pm in the Selectmen's office.

After further discussion about the road machinery account and with no further business, a motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 pm, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

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