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

November 28, 2012  
3:00 pm

625 Main Street  
Town House

Board Members: Vincent J. Villamaino, John D. Flynn, Norm Charest  
The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Vinnie Villamaino.

Grant Request: COA Executive Director, Becky Moriarty and COA Director, Carolyn Brenan from East Longmeadow came before the board with a grant application for the PVT bus jointly owned by the two towns. It required a signature by the Board of Selectmen. Chairman Villamaino signed.

Main Street Discussion: Tom Couture from Tighe and Bond Engineering came before the board to discuss possible options for the water quality issues of a few wells on Main Street. Tom will pursue those options with a representative from the DEP and get back in touch with the board. Residents will be notified of the status.

Minnechaug Capital Maintenance Stabilization Fund: Voted by the School Committee on Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>

Cummins Generator Emergency Service: This office dealt with Cummins directly to reduce the cost of the two emergency service invoices we received. Vinnie would like to speak with them himself to see if he can get that number further reduced.

Transfer Request: A motion was made by Norm Charest to transfer \$2,500 from the Reserve Fund into the line item for Unemployment Insurance, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted. The request will be forwarded to the Advisory Board.

A motion was made by Norm Charest to go into Executive Session at 3:45 pm with return to Open Session for the purpose of contract discussion for the Highway Superintendent, second by John Flynn. VOTE: Norm Charest yes, John Flynn yes, Vinnie Villamaino yes.

A motion was made by Norm Charest to return to Open Session at 4:00 pm, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

A motion was made by Norm Charest to go into Executive Session for the purposes of mediation for the Civilian Dispatchers at 4:00 pm with return to Open Session, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: Norm Charest yes, John Flynn yes, Vinnie Villamaino yes.

Proposed Hunting Bylaw Change: The Attorney General has not approved the bylaw as voted at our Annual Town Meeting. In addition, the Department of Fish and Game/Division of Fisheries and Wildlife needed to review the proposed amendment as well. According to their findings they believe that [if the owner has “posted” their property, then permission is required to hunt on that land]. According to General Laws Chapter 131, *written* permission is not required in any case.

Police Station: Chief Farnsworth requested that a member of the board act as a liaison with him in working on the development of the needs of the new or revamped Police Station. Norm Charest will act in that position.

Board of Health: Two variances were requested at 19 Fairfield Manor; one for a 1’ reduction to groundwater, (only for upper part of system) as well as a variance from the typical perc test to a sieve analysis. A motion was made by Norm Charest to approve these variances, as recommended by Board of Health Agent, Lorri McCool, seconded by Vinnie Villamaino. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Well Repair: The Town Hall well had been damaged outside and CT Valley Well will do the repair on Friday.

Stair Lift: The board was notified of the need to go out to Goods and Services for bid. We will ask Lance Trevallion for his help.

A motion was made to return to Open Session at 5:40 pm to discuss an issue with the Building Inspector.

Residential Issue on Raymond Drive: Lance Trevallion came before the board with a ticket for ongoing bylaw violations along with letters of explanation for Corey Goodrich and Vincent Bortolussi. Since Corey Goodrich no longer lives at 118 Raymond Drive, it has become difficult to issue a ticket to him. Given that the Building Inspector or the Board of Selectmen (or its Agent) may deliver a violation and that Building Inspector Lance Trevallion is not always in Hampden during the day, the board assigned the Chief of Police (and his department) as their Agent.

Corey Goodrich also ran a wood splitter on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November which is prohibited by the terms of the court order. A neighbor will continue to call Lance Trevallion, and Lance will ask that the Police verify incidents so a log can be kept.

There is also another tractor trailer in the front yard. Lance has cited him for the trailer and has given him seven days to remove it.

Lance will ticket \$50, \$100 and \$200. The board will ask that the Police Chief deliver the tickets to Corey Goodrich. After 45 days, heavier fines will kick in.

Norm will contact Mike Callan if in the 45 days the wood is not cleared.

With no further discussion, a motion was made by Norm Charest to enter into Executive Session at 5:50 pm to finish the mediation session for the dispatchers without return to Open Session, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: Norm Charest yes, John Flynn yes, Vinnie Villamaino yes.

With no further business, a motion was made by Norm Charest to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 pm, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: Norm Charest yes, John Flynn yes, Vinnie Villamaino yes.

Respectfully submitted,

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