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

February 25, 2013  
5:30 pm

625 Main Street  
Hampden, MA 01036

Board Members: Vincent J. Villamaino, John D. Flynn, Norman Charest  
Guest: Tyler Witkop, The Wilbraham-Hampden Times  
The meeting was called to order by Vinnie Villamaino at 5:30 pm.

Well Discussion: Lorri McCool, Board of Health Agent came before the board to discuss the location of the well that will supply Main Street neighbors with water. She stated that she was brought in late to the overall project and feels that the town will be better served by the engineer that was hired to start the project, Tom Couture, from Tighe and Bond Engineering. It was suggested that Tom Couture and Lorri meet before tomorrow night with the abutters.

Federated Church Water Issue: Matt Fisher and Bruce Libby, as representatives of the Federated Church came before the board to discuss the water quality at the church. They brought water samples for the board to taste and stated their concerns. The board responded that our engineer will be meeting tomorrow night with our Main Street neighbors. We will let Tom Couture know about their concerns when he is in and get back to them with the next steps.

Academy Hall Alarm Monitoring: The board reviewed a quote from Wel-Design, the company that installed a new alarm system at Academy Hall. The quote is to monitor the alarm should the power fail. A motion was made by Norm Charest to approve the quote for a year of monitoring for \$288.00, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

NOTE: Meeting Invitation with School Committee, BOS, Advisory on Wed. 2/27 @ 7pm

Conservation Commission Question: Conservation has a question that they would like to seek a legal opinion on; the board will forward that to town counsel.

Stabilization Fund for Minnechaug: The board has received a request from the School Committee to establish a stabilization fund for the maintenance of Minnechaug High School. The board reviewed and will seek counsel on correct wording. A motion was made by Norm Charest to include this warrant article on the ATM warrant, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Initial Damage Assessment: MEMA has sent forms to be completed by our Fire, Police and Highway Departments relative to a recent storm. Dana has completed his; the board will follow up with Police as to their costs during the storm.

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NOTE: The board received an invitation to attend the Wilbraham BOS Meeting on March 4 to hear two presentations on energy suppliers. John Flynn will attend.

Minutes of February 19, 2013: The board reviewed the minutes of February 19<sup>th</sup> and a motion was made by Norm Charest to approve as presented, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

The board reviewed the Executive Session Minutes of February 19<sup>th</sup> and a motion was made by Norm Charest to approve as presented, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: Norm Charest yes, John Flynn yes, Vinnie Villamaino yes.

The board reconvened to the Advisory meeting at 6:40 for budget reviews for the Police, Fire and Selectmen's Office and accounts.

The board returned to their office and a motion was made by Norm Charest to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

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