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

September 3, 2013  
6:30 pm

625 Main Street  
Hampden, MA 01036

Board Members: John D. Flynn, Norman Charest, Vincent J. Villamaino  
The meeting was called order by John Flynn at 6:30 pm.  
Guest: Tyler Witkop, The Wilbraham-Hampden Times

HWRSD Meeting: District Superintendent, Marty O'Shea and School Committee members, Lisa Morace and Lena Buteau came at the board's request to discuss recent assessments. There were savings owed back to the district which John questioned. The Department of Revenue sets the Department of Education local contribution for every city and town. The original amount for Hampden was \$4.48 million, in July the numbers were changed, to \$5.1 million that Hampden had to pay.

Keddy Property on Raymond Drive: The Crum's were scheduled to meet with the board regarding property owned by the Keddy family. They failed to show for the meeting.

Minutes of August 19, 2013 were reviewed and a motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Norm Charest. VOTE: All in favor and so voted. John Flynn was not present at the meeting and therefore abstained from the vote.

Minutes of August 26, 2013 were reviewed and a motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Norm Charest. VOTE: All in favor and so voted. John Flynn was not present at the meeting and therefore abstained from the vote.

Right of First Refusal for South Road property: The board reviewed the request from Sherry Himmelstein regarding property which she has under contract at 211 South Road. The board reviewed and a motion was made by Norm Charest release their right of first refusal option on the property, pending review by John Flynn when he returned from vacation, seconded by Vinnie Villamaino. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

DEP Water Testing: The DEP has required testing which will be performed by our Water Operator, Mike Framarin and submitted to DEP at a cost of \$60.00.

Liapis Property: Bylaw violation discussed with the board, letter has gone out to owner to clean up unregistered cars or be fined per day/per violation, of which there are three.

601 Main Street: The board is waiting for the homeowners to do the work they need to do prior to the town tying the new well into each of their wells.

Fire Department Proposal: The board would like Chief Farnsworth's opinion of the department's proposal.

Marijuana Bylaw follow up. This will be discussed at next meeting.

Young Professional Society of Greater Springfield Invitation: John will attend, need further details.

Elevator Lift: We will hire an engineer to stamp plans to allow installation of lift.

A motion was made by Norm Charest to enter into Executive Session at 7:00 pm for the purpose of discussing a personnel issue, without return to Open Session, seconded by Vinnie Villamaino.  
VOTE: Norm Charest yes, Vinnie Villamaino yes, John Flynn yes.

Respectfully submitted,

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