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

October 20, 2014  
6:30 pm

625 Main Street  
Hampden, MA 01036

Board Members: John D. Flynn, Norman Charest, Vincent J. Villamaino  
The meeting was called to order by John D. Flynn at 6:30 pm.

Sign Election Warrant: The board signed the warrant to be posted for the election on November 4, 2014.

Strategic Building Solutions: The board reviewed the proposal from Strategic Building Solutions recommended by the Police Department Building Committee. A motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to approve the proposal for the Owner's Project Manager for the new Police Station, at a cost of \$96,000, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so approved.

Village Mart: The board reviewed a request from the Village Mart to extend their hours of operation to sell beer and wine, as approved by ABCC. The board wants to make sure Gary Mayotte knows the hours must be within the confines of the law.

Contract Signing: The board needs to sign a contract for the state to receive funds for the Hampden Cultural Council.

Park and Recreation: Dave Turcotte, Dave Paradis and Terry Ford came before the board with two candidates who have an interest in serving on the commission. They are Dan Sheehan and Eric Jacobson. Eric has an interest in politics, in serving the community, in coaching, and his youngest son is now in high school. Not having a child in the program makes him a favorable candidate as there will be no favoritism to question. Given that there is only a need for one member to fill the vacancy on the commission, Dan Sheehan has deferred to allow Eric to go forward. John asked the group what they saw as positive aspects of the Park and Rec Department and what opportunities there might be for improvements. Memorial Park was lauded for the ball fields looking great, the work behind TWB being complete, where both provide services and amenities for the youth of our community. John then asked what about the rest of the residents in town; what programs are available for them? One member mentioned that the hiking trails were available to be enjoyed by all ages, but that isn't really a Parks recreation. It was mentioned that Laughing Brook would like to maintain a presence in town. After discussion, a motion was made by Norm Charest to appoint Eric Jacobson to the position vacated by Fred Frangie until the next election, when he would have to run for the position on his own, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

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Planning Board Minutes: The minutes were reviewed without comment.

DEP Grant Award: The board was made aware of a grant in the amount of \$1,400 awarded for Board of Health use.

Response to Soltage Proposal: The board has not yet structured a response to the Soltage Solar Company regarding their transfer station proposal.

Grant Application: John Flynn worked with Attorney Rose Crowley and submitted grant paperwork to Green Communities Division for Owner's Agent Technical Assistance for solar which has been approved.

10 Riverside Drive: Property owners, Will and Joanne D'Angelo came before the board to hear of a possible solution to the water issue they have. John suggested that the town could drill a well and pipe the connection to their home. The town will make reasonable accommodations to remediate the issues with the fixtures in their home. The owners will look at their fixtures to see what needs to be replaced. Once the board has additional information, the D'Angelo's will be contacted to come in for a meeting.

Advisory Hearing: The board moved to the auditorium for the Advisory Board Hearing to review the warrant for Special Town Meeting on October 27<sup>th</sup> at Thornton W. Burgess School. The warrant was reviewed without much discussion and the board returned to their office.

With no further business, a motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 pm, seconded by Norm Charest. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

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Administrative Assistant

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