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

July 18, 2016
6:00 pm

625 Main Street
Hampden MA

Board Members: John D. Flynn, Norman Charest, Vincent J. Villamaino
The meeting was called to order by John Flynn at 6:00 pm.

Highway Superintendent: Mark Langone came before the board to discuss a number of issues.

Bennett Road: Mark would like to start on Bennett Road immediately but was halted by a call from DEP regarding the application process through Hampden's Conservation Commission. He will contact those who need to give an approval and report back to the board once done.

Main Street and North Road: Mark reported that the road work and paving will not be scheduled before mid to late August. He is concerned about the start of school with the bus runs. He will keep the board informed as needed.

Steepleview Drive: The project was bid by three companies and Mark recommends that the bid be awarded to Palmer Paving, as the low bidder. A motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to award the bid to Palmer Paving, in the amount of \$120,467, as recommended by Mark Langone, seconded by Norman Charest. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Water Issue at Town House: Mark was informed about a leak that sprung at the Town House today and was directed to get people lined up to make a repair of the water line. He will contact Dig Safe, Columbia Gas and others to get the job accomplished.

Bennett, St. Germain and Stafford Roads: All State Asphalts will be doing final work on St. Germain and Stafford and would like to schedule Steepleview at the same time to save the town some money. Mark will work to arrange that schedule. The board asked that Mark get the project schedules to Tyler Witkop for publication in the Wilbraham-Hampden Times.

Traffic Control: Mark asked about the account for traffic control in the amount of \$10,000. He is concerned that with the Main Street project that he will go through those funds. The board is now aware of his concerns.

Federated Church Agreement: The board has worked out details of an agreement with the Federated Church to supply potable water to the church and parsonage. A motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to sign the agreement as presented, and to issue a check to the church in the amount of \$25,000, seconded by Norman Charest. VOTE: All in favor and so voted. The \$25,000 was given as part of the agreement to cover costs associated with damages in the church. Matt Fisher came in representing the church and signed the agreement, along with the board members. The check will be issued and picked up by Matt Fisher later in the week.

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Hazard Mitigation Plan Signing: The board needs to sign this document to be forwarded to Pioneer Valley Planning Commission for completion of the plan.

Board of Health: The board reviewed the septic plan for 21 Maple Grove Road. A variance is needed to allow a one foot reduction from 4' to 3' to meet breakout requirements. A motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to approve the variance as recommended by Lorri McCool, BOH Agent, seconded by Norman Charest. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Security Quote for Town House: John has met with subcommittee members for the Regional Dispatch project and asked how those involved manage with their town halls with no Police Department. He will follow up for recommendations.

Solar at Transfer Station: Ameresco is still working on "off takers" for credits they will generate and Attorney Rose Crowley is working on a new contract with another supplier.

Signs for Main Street Event: Don Collins requested the use of some signs of the town's for his annual fundraising event at his home. A motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to approve, seconded by Norman Charest. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Used Car Permit: The board was made aware of a gentleman who came in looking for a used car permit for a home occupation business on Meadowbrook Drive. He was informed that he had to go to the Planning Board first. He said he had done that and he was referred to this office for approval by the Board of Selectmen. The board questioned why that was the direction given and will contact the Planning Board for further information. John also suggested that we seek some help from Jim Mazik at PVPC.

John Niemi came into the meeting to discuss information from the School Committee and the inconsistencies with numbers that have been provided to the public. John Flynn mentioned that he would attend the SC meeting on Tuesday night. The new Superintendent, Albert Ganem will be introduced at the meeting.

Seeing no further business, a motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to adjourn at 7:00 pm, seconded by Norman Charest. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

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