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**TOWN OF HAMPDEN, MASSACHUSETTS**

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN/ BOARD OF HEALTH**

**MINUTES**

August 8, 2017  
6:00 pm

625 Main Street  
Town House

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

Present: John D. Flynn, Norman Charest and Vincent J. Villamaino

Guest: Mark Langone, Highway Superintendent, Phil and Mary Bator, Mary Ellen Glover, Rita Vail, Phil Schneider, Robert Moreau, Richard Patullo

Approval of Minutes – Norman Charest made a motion to approve the August 15, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes. Vinnie Villamaino seconded the motion. All in favor so approved (3-0).

Norman Charest made a motion to approve the October 3, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes. Vinnie Villamaino seconded the motion. All in favor so approved (3-0).

Norman Charest made a motion to approve the June 19, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. Vinnie Villamaino seconded the motion. All in favor so approved (3-0).

Norman Charest made a motion to approve the June 26, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. Vinnie Villamaino seconded the motion. All in favor so approved (3-0).

568 Main Street Water: Phil Bator came before the Board asking about his high readings in his water. The Board made Mr. Bator aware there are many homes in Hampden that have high readings but it has nothing to do with the Salt Shed. One suggestion was to add a curbing to redirect the water to stay on the roadway and not go into the driveway. The well the Bator's have is shallow so this also may be the cause of the high readings.

Columbia Gas / Construction Projects: Mark Langone, Highway Superintendent came in expecting a representative from Columbia Gas to be present. He did not show up. Mark explained a notice went out to all Main Street residents making them aware of gas line work going to be done on Main Street in the event anyone would want gas installed to their home. Another notice was mailed from Columbia Gas correcting the previous statement, no work would be done along Main Street hooking up homes. The work to be done would be tying in Main Street and Somers Road and East Longmeadow Road and Somers Road. Fletcher Sewer and Drain sketched out the location on a drawing for the pressurize line from La Cucina across East Longmeadow Road then across Somers Road. To be sure the gas company would not hit it in the work to be done there. Mark stated they will be above the line. Mark reported the new loader is in service and will be

inspected this week. Lettering will be placed on the loader where possible. Mark briefed the Selectmen on the progress on South Road piping and catch basin work. Mark made the request to run drainage on both sides of the street at the narrow point rather than trying to close the road for the work. This work should be done by early September. East Brook and Glendale View will be ready to go by the end of August lowing the structures and reclaiming. The first base coat should be on by the beginning of September if not they will push out until after Labor Day. Mark would like to have a temp employee fill in for a month. The Board agreed. The bill came in for Stafford, St. Germain and Bennett Roads the cost was \$60,000 less than anticipated.

Representatives for Deregionalization Study Committee: The group came in to request appoint by the Board of Selectmen. Rita Vail requested Mary Grasseti not be appointed as she has accepted a new position and it does not allow her the time needed for the Committee. Vinnie Villamaino made a motion to appoint Norman Charest, Ex-officio, Richard Patullo, Rita Vail, Phil Schneider and Robert Moreau to the Deregionalization Study Committee, John Flynn seconded. VOTE: All in favor and so voted. There was a request to post for the first meeting to organize, August 10, 2017. The Board asked they report back by the end of September.

Water and Sewer: This will appear on the agenda for every meeting. Jeff Daly is working on the Mass Works grant for two million dollars. Jay O'Brien and Paul Gagliarducci will be meeting with Richard Neal's office to see if there would be any Federal money available for this project.

Used Car License: The Board discussed the current Used Car Licenses and possible restrictions and will revisit at a future meeting.

General Meeting: The Board would like to set up a meeting with the financial departments Advisory, Cliff and Richard on September 18th.

Appointed Boards: The Selectmen would like to bring in each appointed board one a month.

Fire Alarm Contracts: The Board agreed to sign Fire Alarm contracts and start the work.

Meeting adjourned 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted:

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