



**TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
NORTH HAMPTON SELECT BOARD MEETING**

NOVEMBER 8, 2021 7:00 PM

NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL

DRAFT MINUTES

SELECT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jim Maggiore, Vice Chairman James Sununu, Selectman Jonathan Pinette

ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator Michael Tully,

AGENDA

Chairman Jim Maggiore welcomed everyone to the November 8, 2021 North Hampton Select Board Meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

First Public Comment Session

For comments please call 603-758-1447; email jmaggiore@northhampton-nh.gov

Nancy Monaghan said the annual appeal of the Friends of the North Hampton Library has launched with flyers out this week. The Friends raise money to augment programs at the Library and are grateful for any donations.

Consent Calendar

- 3.1 Payroll Manifest of October 28, 2021 in the amount of \$74,286.05
- 3.2 Payroll Manifest of November 4, 2021 in the amount of \$257,478.40
- 3.3 Accounts Payable Manifest of November 4, 2021 in the amount of \$1,187,412.74

Motion: To approve the Consent Calendar items 3.1 – 3.3 as presented.

Motioned: Selectman Pinette

Seconded: Vice-Chair Sununu

Vote: Motion approved by a vote of 3-0.

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A recording of the meeting can be found at: http://www.townhallstreams.com/towns/north_hampton_nh, and a DVD recording is available at the North Hampton Town Administrative Offices, 233 Atlantic Avenue, North Hampton, New Hampshire 03862.

Correspondence – None

Committee Updates

Chairman Maggiore said no update from the *Heritage Commission*; *Water Commission* is on the agenda.

Vice-Chair Sununu said no *Rails to Trails* update; *Budget Committee* held first regular meeting last Monday to review FY2021 Year End and Default Budgets for Town, School, and Library; will start next Monday with Town FY2022-2023 Budget Review.

Report of the Town Administrator

A copy of the Report of the Town Administrator will be attached to these minutes.

October 26 to November 5, 2021: Finance: 66% of Budget remaining with 34 weeks remaining in fiscal year; Fire Department now part of Seacoast Response Team with Certified Hazardous Materials Technician; Town Offices: Public Meeting scheduled for November 18, 2021 at 6:00 pm; Highway dealing with flood damage from October 30th storm; Route 111/151 Intersection nearing completion; PFAS findings presented to DES, looks to be \$1,800 over signed estimate.

Items Left on the Table – None

NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Discussion of Proposed Town Fee Schedule

Town Administrator Tully said the Fee Schedule was started in 2014 and not updated since then; looking for Select Board's interest in updating fees, followed by Public Hearing, then move forward with Fee Structural change.

Vice-Chair Sununu asked about Health, listed under Building Permit Fees. Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer Travis Murray said the Health Officer inspects Foster Care and Daycare. Vice-Chair Sununu asked that window replacement, siding, roofing, and fence be removed, and Selectman Pinette agreed. Vice-Chair Sununu said he found no issues with the rates and felt they were reasonable. Chairman Maggiore agreed but asked they not increase PASA Senior Luncheon fees; Town Administrator Tully said he would discuss those fees with Joe Manzi and the Board could change that fee before their vote after the Public Hearing.

8.2 GIS Tax Map Presentation

Planning & Zoning Administrator Rick Milner stated that the GIS Tax Map project is now complete and available on the Town website. The project was completed by GIS Manager Robert Pruyne, of Rockingham Planning Commission, who will continue to work with North Hampton as information is updated.

Mr. Milner said this is a web-based portal providing a repository for information including tax maps, tax cards, town feature maps and other mapping sources accessible remotely. Information is stored using GIS (Geographical Information System) technology for gathering, managing, and analyzing data. Mr. Milner then demonstrated a walk-through of the tax map system highlighting all the available features including

satellite maps, lot and map numbers for all properties, wetlands maps, building footprints, and conservation land information.

The Board agreed this was an invaluable time-saving tool with everything easy to find in one place.

8.3 Consideration of Aquarion Water Rate Case Consultant

Chairman Maggiore said at the last meeting the Board discussed North Hampton and Hampton working together to hire a specialist, Bion C. Ostrander, to help advocate the Aquarion rate case with cost borne by the Water Commission. Mr. Pinette raised a question of the origin of the 60:40 split between the 2 towns, so the Board took no action. After investigation, Chairman Maggiore proposed 2 options for the Board: (1) that the Board consider action of cost in front of us; (2) also consider either this Board or Water Commission take up the action to renegotiate.

The Water Commission currently has \$7,506 in their Capital reserves account and the base price for North Hampton out of \$20,000 total would be \$8,000 which could be more with testimony. Vice-Chair Sununu said he would be comfortable authorizing the incremental cost in this case, which is underway, and ask the Water Commission to reopen the conversation with Hampton regarding the 60:40 split, doing both in parallel. Selectman Pinette said they wish to renegotiate from the standpoint they want to be partners but just want it to be fair.

Motion: That the Select Board contribute up to \$2,500 to satisfy consultant Bion Ostrander's fee for his expert testimony in our upcoming Aquarion rate case.

Motioned: Chairman Maggiore

Seconded: Selectman Pinette

Vote: Motion approved by a vote of 3-0

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS

9.1 Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 25, 2021

Motion: To approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 25, 2021 as presented.

Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu

Seconded: Selectman Pinette

Vote: Motion approved by a vote of 3-0

Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board

Chairman Maggiore noted that Veterans Day was this week and urged everyone to always take the opportunity to thank any veteran for their service to our country.

Channel 22 Director John Savastano showed a video he and his team put together to honor veterans.

Second Public Comment Session

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Next Regular Meeting: November 8, 2021

Adjournment

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132 Chairman Maggiore adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

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134 Respectfully submitted,

135 Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary

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