



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

APRIL 22, 2019 7:00 PM

NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL

REVISED DRAFT MINUTES

SELECT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jim Maggiore, Vice-Chairman Larry Miller, Member Kathleen Kilgore

ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator Bryan Kaenrath

AGENDA

Chairman Maggiore welcomed everyone to the April 22, 2019 Select Board Meeting, and called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Maggiore said at the last meeting they had recessed to finish up some Non-Public Sessions, and asked for a motion to seal those minutes.

Motion: To seal the minutes of the Non-Public Sessions following the regular meeting on April 8, 2019.

Motioned: Selectman Miller

Seconded: Selectwoman Kilgore

Vote: Motion approved 3-0

Chairman Maggiore stated that there were also Non-Public Sessions on April 12, 2019, and by unanimous vote of the Board the Town Administrator was asked to act on the decisions of the Board and he was moving ahead, and he asked for a motion to seal those minutes.

Motion: To seal the minutes of the Non-Public Sessions of April 12, 2019.

Motioned: Selectman Miller

Seconded: Chairman Maggiore

Vote: Motion approved 2-0, with 1 abstention

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42 **First Public Comment Session**

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44 Bill Gosselin of Maple Road said at the last Select Board meeting he had asked Selectwoman Kilgore to
45 investigate how the Lamprey Conservation Easements were lost and did not receive a reply. Chairman
46 Maggiore said it was slated as an agenda item under New Business for a full discussion, and he would
47 move it up to the first topic.

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49 Mr. Gosselin said a website was developed and a letter of complaint was posted there that the
50 Conservation Commission refused to read at their April 9th meeting, which stated that the Conservation
51 Chairman was wrong in his actions to come to an agreement with the owner without the Conservation
52 Commission being informed. He said the barn was being used by Mr. Perkins for private parties, but the
53 easements were donated to the Town and its visitors by Morris Lamprey in 1993. He said State Law
54 requirements were violated by Town offices that caused the permanent forfeiture of the gift, and by law
55 this must be investigated.

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57 **Consent Calendar**

58 3.1 Payroll Manifest of 04/11/2019 in the amount of \$202,722.40

59 3.2 Payroll Manifest of 4/18/2019 in the amount of \$67,273.73

60 3.3 Accounts Payable Manifest of 4/19/2019 in the amount of \$1,113,214.59

61 3.4 Abatement Application

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67 3.10 Abatement Application

68 3.11 Veteran Tax Credit Application

69 3.12 Disabled Tax Credit Application

70 3.13 Elderly Exemption

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72 **Motion:** To approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

73 **Motioned:** Selectman Miller

74 **Seconded:** Selectwoman Kilgore

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76 **Discussion:** Selectwoman Kilgore said Abatements 3.4-3.10 were the first abatements since the
77 revaluation, and asked if there was any concern about where they were with regard to the overlay.
78 Chairman Maggiore said that would be part of the input they would get from Ryan Cornwell on where
79 they stand with the overlay. Selectman Miller said unless they were not going to allow those abatements
80 to go forward, the overlay was part of the Budget set aside for this purpose. Selectwoman Kilgore said her
81 concern was more to the quality of the revaluation services provided and whether they were accurate.

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83 Town Administrator Kaenrath said he would find out the overlay numbers, and use an analysis done by
84 the DRA to double check. Chairman Maggiore asked that he circulate that to the Board, and if it warranted
85 further discussion they could make that decision based on the rates.

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87 **Vote:** Consent Calendar approved 3-0

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89 **Correspondence**

90 *A copy of the Correspondence will be attached to these minutes.*

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92 Chairman Maggiore addressed the **Correspondence** from *Conservation Commission Chairman Lisa Wilson*
93 **dated April 16, 2019** and read the letter in full. He said it was in regard to the Little River 2018 Investigative
94 Report conducted by FB Environmental Associates, with recommendations to address potential sites of
95 water contamination. The letter said enough data was presented for the Select Board and the Health
96 Officer and Building Inspector to immediately investigate the 3 sites recommended in their report, and to
97 contact NHDES to begin testing during wet and dry conditions to verify the results of FB Environmental
98 and seek immediate remedial action where high levels of fecal bacteria were found.

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100 Chairman Maggiore said at the Select Board meeting of March 11th they discussed FB Environmental
101 Water Quality Monitoring, and said the cost for action at that time was \$9,993.00, which was budgeted.
102 Town Administrator Kaenrath said the FB Environmental Contract for the year was also still pending.

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104 Lisa Wilson, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, said she had suggested that the Town might save
105 money by contracting with NHDES to test those sites in wet and dry conditions to verify the FB
106 Environmental results, and said there were other pollution sites that needed to be retested. Town
107 Administrator Kaenrath asked if she was recommending the Town contract with NHDES for this year, and
108 Ms. Wilson suggested holding off on the contract until the results could be verified.

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110 Selectman Miller said the NHDES had other things to consider and asked how long they were willing to
111 wait. Ms. Wilson said they needed to identify the exact location and have the Building Inspector go to the
112 homeowner to see if the septic system was working properly. She said the Conservation Commission
113 wanted to investigate this quickly as the information was received in September of 2018 and they needed
114 to find the source. Chairman Maggiore said they could table the decision until the next Select Board
115 meeting so the Town Administrator could get a query out to NHDES with the Conservation Commission.

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117 Ms. Wilson said FB Environmental did not typically go on private property and asked what could be done
118 immediately as she thought the Town would have to be the authorizing agent. Chairman Maggiore
119 suggested they find out the limits of their authority for the Code Enforcement Officer on getting on private
120 property and inspecting septic systems, and see if NHDES could work according to her recommendations.
121 He said they could come back to this in 2 weeks with a report on what they could do and how quickly, and
122 he would also contact FB Environmental and DES to see what was in the realm of possibilities.

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124 **Motion:** To table the discussion of Water Quality Monitoring until the May 13th Select Board Meeting.

125 **Motioned:** Chairman Maggiore

126 **Seconded:** Selectwoman Kilgore

127 **Vote:** Motion approved 3-0

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129 **Committee Updates**

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131 Selectwoman Kilgore said the *Economic Development Committee* had not met since their last meeting,
132 and the next meeting was scheduled for May 1, 2019.

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134 Chairman Maggiore said the *Heritage Commission* met last week and there were several action items they
135 were following up on. He said the first was with regard to Certified Local Government and following up
136 with Vicki Jones to get more information on that, and the second was to have all the Heritage Commission

documentation and information stored or available on the Town website. He said they would be working with Cynthia Swank to put enough information together for an RFP to go out to PCG to find out how this information could be processed. Selectwoman Kilgore said that justified their need to move forward on a Document Management System.

Chairman Maggiore stated that the *Water Commission* had not met.

Selectman Miller stated that the *Budget Committee* had not met since their last meeting.

Transcript of Conversation between Selectman Miller and Selectwoman Kilgore

Selectman Miller: I have a question, this is probably out of order, at some point tonight I would like to talk about "the gorilla in the road" and that is this newspaper article by Ms. Kilgore, so is there some place in the agenda that we can discuss that tonight?

Chairman Maggiore: We can talk about it anywhere in the agenda. You brought it up now, you can discuss it now I guess.

Selectman Miller: I'll ask her, when would you like to discuss it?

Selectwoman Kilgore: Whenever you do.

Selectman Miller: Is that okay with you (to Chairman Maggiore)?

Chairman Maggiore: Fine with me.

Selectman Miller: So I think I don't have to say that I was rather surprised to be accused of being – I'll just read it: "Ms. Kilgore believes Maggiore and Board member Larry Miller showed sexism in their demeanor and reasoning when they turned her down as Chairwoman of this Board." She also believes their political differences on Town issues played a factor. That is not in quotes, just wanted to ask you do you believe that?

Selectwoman Kilgore: Do I believe what?

Selectman Miller: What I just read in the story. It says, without quotes, she believes Maggiore and Board Member Larry Miller showed sexism in their demeanor and reasoning when they turned her down as Chairwoman. She also believes their political differences on Town issues played a factor. Not in quotes just want to know if that is properly reported to you.

Selectwoman Kilgore: That word sexism and the heading on that article was not my words at all. I was approached by...

Selectman Miller: I just want to know if this is correct except "sexism".

Selectwoman Kilgore: Can I finish speaking please?

Selectman Miller: Sure, please.

Selectwoman Kilgore: Sexism was not my word. I was approached by the paper, and I was asked questions, and my answer was I felt your interaction with me at the last meeting, both of yours, was dismissive when I asked to be Chair and I questioned whether it was because of the workload that was being discussed or because we don't see eye-to-eye politically.

Selectman Miller: To that end, in the next paragraph, which is contained in a quotation, "the tone was dismissive, the body language was dismissive." Kilgore said "am I disappointed, yes; am I vindictive, no; do I think there was a sexist part of it, yes." Is that a proper quote for you? It said here it's in quotations.

Selectwoman Kilgore: I did not use the word sexist.

Selectman Miller: So it's not an appropriate quote, is that true?

Selectwoman Kilgore: I don't recall using "sexist". I said it was dismissive. Larry, I would have been happy if you had become Chair.

Selectman Miller: We're discussing this.

Selectwoman Kilgore: Yeah we are discussing this, and I felt both of yours reaction to me and your speaking to me and about me being Chair was dismissive. You didn't ask me if I could handle the workload. Are you telling me I was incapable of handling the workload? I've worked alongside both of you for 2 years handling the workload competently.

Selectman Miller: I don't know that that is even part of the discussion. It's about leadership. That's why we have a Chair and that's not about the workload. You brought into this the fact that, maybe this is not part of your quote, but it also says here "their demeanor and reasoning when they turned me down as Chairwoman....she also believes that political differences on Town issues played a factor." Is that appropriate?

Selectwoman Kilgore: Yeah.

Selectman Miller: Just so you'll know, since I haven't had a chance to react to that, we've differed a great deal on many things before this day (held up letter), before this day and I don't remember ever blaming you for something I disagreed with or you me. We're always going to have differences, that's why we are who we are. I think this (held up letter) tells me, better than anything, that the reason I said Mr. Maggiore was a superior candidate to be Select Board Chair, is only confirmed by your behavior here (in letter). I'm sorry that it happened. I think you are when you say you are "not vindictive", I think you might want to consider that change or that choice of words, and I think if you wanted to you could apologize to us if you wished; if you would like to apologize.

Selectwoman Kilgore: I don't believe I need to apologize expressing the fact that I felt dismissed.

Selectman Miller: Well I don't make decisions based on anything but serving the community the best that I can, and I guess you do too. But I wouldn't have done this (held up letter) and you did. So you've besmirched me and Mr. Maggiore in the paper. You're right to do so – I just don't think it adds to the flavor of getting the Town's business done. But I still believe Mr. Maggiore is the better Chair than me as well. You might also want to remember who was it that nominated you to be Vice-Chair last year.

Selectwoman Kilgore: That would have been you.

Selectman Miller: Thank you, and who voted in favor of that nomination?

Selectwoman Kilgore: That would've been. . .

Selectman Miller: All three of us. So if we were going to be sexist, we would have done it last year.

Selectwoman Kilgore: When you refer to the article too, there is mentioned that you (pointing to Mr. Maggiore) were interested in having Larry serve as Chair. When was that conversation, it wasn't during that meeting.

Selectman Miller: There was no conversation about that.

Selectwoman Kilgore: Well it's quoted in that meeting.

Selectman Miller: It didn't happen with me because I never talked to him about it ever. Haven't talked to Mr. Maggiore since the last time we had a meeting two weeks ago. So I've offered you a chance to apologize – thank you for not apologizing, I guess.

Chairman Maggiore: Let's move on.

Report of the Town Administrator – Bryan Kaenrath

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

Town Administrator Bryan Kaenrath said with regard to Finance that with 11 weeks left in the fiscal year, approximately 21% of the Budget was remaining with a projected surplus of approximately \$480,000. He said the Emergency Operations Plan rewrite was underway and there was a vacancy in the Fire Department they were advertising for. He said as far as Facilities, he had spoken with John Schnitzler and he anticipated completing the more critical items this year. He said he met with MDCOM and had some quotes for phone upgrades, and said spring cleanup projects were underway and the Recycling Center roof had been done.

Town Administrator Kaenrath recommended that with regard to the Document Management System they try to set up a Workshop or add it to the upcoming agenda to pick a company and decide how they wanted to implement this. Selectwoman Kilgore suggested they ask Shaun Mulholland to be at the meeting to provide expertise, and Chairman Maggiore said if they could circulate dates he would contact him. Town Administrator Kaenrath said he also wanted to schedule their Goal-Setting Workshop session in the next few weeks, and said he would circulate an email with dates for both.

Questions: Chairman Maggiore said under Elections he did get the response back from Sue Buchanan and they had 1,081 voters on Election Day which equaled a 26% turnout. Selectwoman Kilgore said she had a note from the last meeting that they would have a draft RFP for Wage Range at this meeting. Town Administrator Kaenrath said they talked about just circulating it by email, and he would try to get it by this week.

Chairman Maggiore asked if they could ask Public Works Director John Hubbard about the NHDOT response to Route 1 paving or repaving and what their plan was. Town Administrator Kaenrath said he spoke with him recently and he did not have an update. He said they would be starting in Portsmouth and Rye and coming all the way down this year. Selectwoman Kilgore said Atlantic Avenue was already full of cracks after only 1 year, and Town Administrator Kaenrath said they had just done an overlay.

Items left on the Table

United Church of Christ Request for Community Collaboration

Chairman Maggiore said two meetings ago Pastor Gelsamini sent a request asking how the church might be able to cooperate on some of the programs they offered. He said they discussed how they might do this without opening the door for everyone to be included. He asked the Board if there was any possibility for the United Church of Christ to put any information out for non-religious events.

Selectman Miller said there must be some examples of other towns that have dealt with this issue, and asked if NHMA might know. Chairman Maggiore said he did not have an answer on whether there was a best practice. Selectwoman Kilgore said at the Trustees Meeting for the Library they talked about working with community organizations to open the lines of communication. She said the church had access to the Community Newsletter, and said other towns have town criers that advertise everything.

Chairman Maggiore said his reaction to the request to use the Town website was to not allow the posting of information for the church at this time, but to continue to look for ways to be inclusive and said it could be one of their goals. Town Administrator Kaenrath said they did have the Community Newsletter which the church was already a part of, and they could put links in Friday Folders. Selectman Miller said he would still like to have answers, and Chairman Maggiore said he would include NHMA members in the discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of Lamprey Easement Complaint

A copy of all Documents presented by Chairman Maggiore will be attached to these minutes as an Appendix.

Chairman Maggiore said at the last Select Board meeting Mr. Gosselin had asked if the Board would appoint Selectwoman Kilgore to investigate the theft of North Hampton's Conservation Easements. He

said he had gone to the Director of Easement Stewardships, the Society for the Protection of NH Forests, NHMA, and the Attorney General's office and spoke with the Assistant Director of Charitable Trusts. He stated that he would ask Town Administrator Kaenrath to include all of these documents as an appendix to the minutes.

Chairman Maggiore said looking into the past of whether there have been any violations of the easement, no violations have been found. The Charitable Trust Unit (CTU) concluded that the decision of the Conservation Commission was well-supported by the language of the easement, and chose not to take any action. He said he then spoke with Barbara Richards at the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions (NHACC) and asked about a citizen making a request, and was told they would need evidence of malfeasance or some intentional act that someone did something wrong.

Chairman Maggiore stated that they did not have that evidence as concluded by the Charitable Trusts or by the NHACC, and he went again to Terri Knowles who said the authority for investigating alleged violations of terms of easement were bifurcated by the easement holder and the Attorney General. He said Mr. Gosselin sent an email to the easement holder the Conservation Commission to investigate the matter and they found no violation of the terms of the easement. Chairman Maggiore concluded that the matter needed to be filed with the Attorney General's office.

Bill Gosselin said he had proof that someone had done something wrong in an email from the former Conservation Commission Chairman who admitted he was to blame for what happened on the conservation property. Mr. Gosselin stated that the issue was that Town offices violated the law by entering into an agreement with a resident in order to take the easement and give it to the owner.

Chairman Maggiore said Mr. Gosselin was free to raise these issues to the Select Board but that the Conservation Commission had reviewed the matter and chose not to take any action. Mr. Gosselin said he was asking for an investigation into why the law was broken and the easements were lost, and said he felt the Select Board had the right to ask the Attorney General for an investigation. Chairman Maggiore said they all agreed it needed to go to the Attorney General but there was no evidence for the Select Board to be involved in an investigation.

Discussion of Select Board Committee Appointing Policy Draft

Chairman Maggiore stated that Administrative Assistant Jan Facella put together the history and make-up of each board and commission and came up with a proposed draft policy. Selectman Miller said there should be 3 lines for signatures and a date, as well as total pages. Chairman Maggiore asked that they all review this and come back with suggestions so it could be distributed to all boards and commissions, and Selectwoman Kilgore said it should be on the May 13th agenda

Appointments to the Recreation Commission

Chairman Maggiore said the Recreation Commission charge was for 7 members, with one member from the North Hampton Youth Association. Selectwoman Kilgore said they had 2 openings, and asked that member terms of expiration be listed on the website.

Motion: To appoint Jane Morse, Martin Tavitian, and Chris Poppalardo to the Recreation Commission.

Motioned: Selectman Miller

Seconded: Selectwoman Kilgore

Vote: Motion approved 3-0

Appointments to the Agriculture Commission

Chairman Maggiore said the Agriculture Commission should have not less than 3 and not more than 7 members, with no more than 5 alternate members. Town Administrator Kaenrath read the nominations.

Motion: To appoint Joan Ganotis, Hank Brandt, Lisa Cote (alternate), Walter Nordstrom (alternate), and Audrey Prior to 3-year terms on the Agriculture Commission.

Motioned: Selectman Miller

Seconded: Selectwoman Kilgore

Vote: Motion approved 3-0

Appointments to the Heritage Commission

Chairman Maggiore said the Heritage Commission was charged with not less than 3 members and not more than 7 members, with not more than 5 alternates. Town Administrator Kaenrath read the nominations and terms.

Motion: To appoint Cynthia Swank, Jeff Hillier (alternate), Vicki Jones (alternate), and Carol Seeley to the Heritage Commission.

Motioned: Selectwoman Kilgore

Seconded: Selectman Miller

Vote: Motion approved 3-0

Appointments to the Rockingham Planning Commission

Chairman Maggiore stated that the members of the Rockingham Planning Commission were nominated by the Planning Board.

Motion: To approve the nominations from the Planning Board of Lauri Etela, Phillip Wilson, and Josh Jeffrey (alternate) as members of the Rockingham Planning Commission.

Motioned: Selectman Miller

Seconded: Selectwoman Kilgore

Vote: Motion approved 3-0

Appointments to the Ethics Committee

Selectwoman Kilgore was appointed as Select Board representative to the Ethics Committee at the last meeting.

Appointments to the Conservation Commission

Chairman Maggiore said the commission was charged with no less than 3 members and no more than 7 members appointed by the Select Board.

Motion: To appoint Kathy Grant, Philip Thayer and Frank Arcidiacono as members of the Conservation Commission.

Motioned: Selectwoman Kilgore

Seconded: Selectman Miller

Vote: Motion approved 3-0

Selectman Miller asked about Chuck Gallant who had expressed interest in an email, and Chairman Maggiore asked that the email be forwarded to Lisa Wilson for consideration and to the Town Administrator.

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377 **Appointments to the CIP Committee**

378 Chairman Maggiore said the CIP Committee was organized under RSA and was amended by a warrant in
379 2015 to add a representative from the Library Trustees.

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381 Nancy Monaghan stated that all of the eight (8) candidates for the Capital Improvement Planning
382 Committee were nominated by their boards. She said it included 3 citizen members, one appointment by
383 the Select Board, one from the Budget Committee and one from the Planning Board, and said the Select
384 Board needed to appoint all 8 of the nominations.

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386 **Motion:** To appoint Nancy Monaghan (Planning Board), Scott Baker (School Board), Rick Stanton (Budget
387 Committee), Larry Miller (Select Board), Jacqueline Brandt (Library Trustees), Planning Board Citizen
388 member Cynthia Swank, Budget Committee Citizen member Clifford Jones, and Select Board Citizen
389 member Chuck Gallant.

390 **Motioned:** Selectman Miller

391 **Seconded:** Selectwoman Kilgore

392 **Vote:** Motion approved 3-0

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394 **Appointments to the Economic Development Committee**

395 Chairman Maggiore said there was a lapse in the meeting due to a technical glitch. He said they were
396 discussing whether the membership of the Economic Development Committee should be capped or
397 remain as is with an unlimited number of members.

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399 Selectwoman Kilgore said she had concerns about quorums in order for the core of the committee to work
400 efficiently and felt it should stay at its current size of 11 members. She said there were currently 2
401 vacancies and one more coming in July, and said all the members were approved for 1-year terms.
402 Chairman Maggiore said with the original charge there should be 1 member of NHBA, a member of the
403 Planning Board, and a Heritage Commission and Select Board member, and they currently had 4 names
404 for 2 positions. Town Administrator Kaenrath said the applicants were Donna Etela, Laurel Pohl, Jeff Hillier,
405 Jonathan Pinette, and Richard Luff.

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407 Chairman Maggiore said if they were capping the membership they had 2 openings, and if not they had 5
408 people, and said the recommendation from NHMA was to vote to approve the members. He said he was
409 in favor of capping the committee at 11 members.

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411 **Motion:** To cap the Economic Development Committee at 6 citizen members.

412 **Motioned:** Selectwoman Kilgore

413 **Seconded:** Chairman Maggiore, for discussion

414 Discussion: Selectwoman Kilgore said she agreed on capping the committee as they would need to put a
415 quorum together for each meeting in order to do any business. Chairman Maggiore said he felt having an
416 unlimited number of members would be inefficient, and he felt the EDC was making progress and should
417 continue with the current number. Selectman Miller said the motion should list the people, and the
418 **motion and second were withdrawn.**

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420 **Motion:** To confirm that the EDC be composed of 1 Select Board member, 1 Planning Board member, 1
421 Heritage Commission member and 2 NHBA members with 6 citizens-at-large for a total of 11 members,
422 all elected for a 1-year term.

423 **Motioned:** Selectwoman Kilgore

Seconded: Selectman Miller

Vote: Motion approved 3-0

Motion: To nominate Jeff Hillier and Jonathan Pinette to serve on the Economic Development Committee.

Motioned: Selectman Miller

Seconded: Chairman Maggiore, for discussion

Discussion: Selectwoman Kilgore asked how they were going to address the other 3 applicants. Chairman Maggiore said Laurel Pohl still had complaints filed against the Town with the Attorney General's office, which was a concern. Selectwoman Kilgore stated that Audrey Prior was interested and would be graduating from UNH with Planning Education, which would be an asset to the EDC.

Vote: Motion approved 2-1

Acceptance of the Minutes of Prior Meetings

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 8, 2019

Motion: To approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2019 as presented in the packet.

Motioned: Selectwoman Kilgore

Seconded: Selectman Miller

Vote: Minutes approved 3-0

Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board

Second Public Comment Session

Lisa Wilson, Chairman of the Conservation Commission, said she wanted to address comments made by Mr. Gosselin. She stated that the Conservation Commission did not fail to investigate the complaint, and said the complaint was received by email on March 11th, the chairman had contacted the owner, and the Conservation Commission met on March 12th. She said at that meeting neither Mr. O'Kane nor Mr. Gosselin were present to discuss their concerns, and said just because Mr. Gosselin said a breach had occurred did not mean that it had.

Ms. Wilson said soon after the meeting, Mr. O'Kane wrote a letter to the editor saying the Conservation Commission had failed to investigate the matter. She said the characterization of the Lamprey Barn as a "party barn" was a gross misrepresentation. She said the language of the Lamprey Easement classing the property as agriculture could include a non-commercial recreational activity. She said the land was privately held on a Conservation Commission Easement, and it would remain conservation land in perpetuity. She said she was saddened that this had occurred, and said if Mr. Gosselin was not happy with the decision of the Conservation Commission he could go to the Attorney General.

George Chauncey said at the last Select Board meeting it had come up several times that Selectwoman Kilgore was not considered because of workload, and said he found that hard to swallow as it did not seem like a valid reason. He said he also found it hard to swallow that Selectman Miller had asked her to apologize for an article in the paper, and felt the Select Board was being disrespectful.

Laurel Pohl said she had some concerns about the process for nomination in the packet, and said the criteria for evaluating needed to define what that criteria would be or whether they performed adequately. She said there also seems to be a practice in Town that does not coincide with the policy as

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proposed, and said there was a link on the Town website where you could click on what you wanted to volunteer for and why, but nothing was said about that process.

Ms. Pohl stated that the approach of Mr. Miller towards Ms. Kilgore this evening was clearly of malicious intent. She echoed what George Chauncey said about workload, and said that Ms. Kilgore had explained why she felt justified to be Chair. The Board said they picked the best for the Town but there was no criteria, and she felt the behavior of Mr. Miller this evening convinced her they were sexist.

Phil Wilson said he was reluctant to step into the controversy over the EDC membership, and said he thought it would be important for the Select Board to go on record saying that all members of the EDC plus the residents of the Town, as there was an effort by EDC to consider members that were not residents but were members of the community. He also felt restricting the EDC to 11 members would be a serious mistake because it was a committee to represent the Town.

M. Wilson stated that while he was on the Select Board, they voted to put Jim Maggiore in as chair, and a third Select Board member felt that they were entitled to be chair and resigned from the Board as a result of the vote. He stated that the RSA says the majority of the Select Board members should be competent on all matters. He said there was no criteria for the chair other than 2 of the 3 members voting, and said starting a practice of having a debate about qualifications was divisive and destructive. He said a nomination was made and 2 votes carry the day.

John Savastano, Director of Channel 22, said they were back on the air and needed to reconstruct what happened. He said Podcasts were a quick and simple way to reflect what was going on in Town and with a community angle to it. He said they would be scheduling guests and adding notes about everything going on in Town.

Next Meeting: The next regular Select Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 13, 2019.

Adjournment

Chairman Maggiore adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:31 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary