



TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE  
NORTH HAMPTON SELECT BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2022

NORTH HAMPTON TOWN OFFICES  
NON-PUBLIC SESSION  
233 ATLANTIC AVENUE  
6:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

NORTH HAMPTON TOWN OFFICES  
NON-PUBLIC SESSION  
233 ATLANTIC AVENUE  
6:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL  
REGULAR SESSION  
231 ATLANTIC AVENUE  
7:00 O'CLOCK P.M.

IF YOU HAVE A COMMENT, OPINION OR QUESTION DURING ONE OF THESE PORTIONS OF THE MEETING PLEASE DIAL IN TO 603-758-1447 OR EMAIL DIRECTLY TO [JSUNUNU@NORTHHAMPTON-NH.GOV](mailto:JSUNUNU@NORTHHAMPTON-NH.GOV) AND YOUR EMAIL WILL BE READ ALOUD DURING THE MEETING.

1. **6:00PM Call to Order by the Chair**
2. **6:01PM Non-Public Session I Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a, c)**
3. **6:30PM Non-Public Session II Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (i)**
4. **First Public Comment Session**  
Public Comment is an opportunity for residents to ask questions, request information and make comments on issues facing the Town. Individuals will be given not more than three (3) minutes to speak, and people who have already spoken will be asked to wait until everyone has had the chance to speak once. The total time devoted to this agenda item is fifteen (15) minutes. Individuals who are not able to speak during the First Public Comment Session will be given first opportunity to speak during the Second Public Comment Session at the end of the Meeting.
5. **Consent Calendar**  
5.1 Payroll Manifest of June 16, 2022, in the amount of \$96,563.54

- 5.2 Payroll Manifest of June 23, 2022, in the amount of \$81,410.43
- 5.3 Accounts Payable Manifest of June 23, 2022, in the amount of \$69,648.43
- 5.4 Approval of Abatement Recommendations
- 5.5 Cemetery Deed

**6. Correspondence**

**7. Committee Updates**

- 7.1 Heritage Commission
- 7.2 Water Commission
- 7.3 Rails to Trails
- 7.4 Budget Committee
- 7.5 Capital Improvement Committee

**8. Report of the Town Administrator**

- 8.1 General Report

**9. Items Left on the Table**

**10. New Business**

- 10.1 Discussion of Address Discrepancy
- 10.2 NHBA 50/50 Raffle
- 10.3 Discussion of NHMA Policy Decisions
- 10.4 Building Project Update

**11. Minutes of Prior Meetings**

- 11.1 Approval of June 13, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes

**12. Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board**

The Board reserves the right to take action on any item relative to the prudential administration of the Town's affairs, which circumstances may require

**13. Second Public Comment Session**

See Item 4, above

**14. Adjournment**

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**CONSENT CALENDAR**

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**C O N S E N T   C A L E N D A R**

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**TO:** SELECT BOARD  
**FROM:** MICHAEL TULLY, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR  
**SUBJECT:** CONSENT CALENDAR FOR SELECT BOARD MEETING 06/27/2022  
**DATE:** 06/24/2022

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**The following actions are for the approval of the Select Board:**

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## Michael Tully

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**To:** Nancy-Jane Luff  
**Subject:** RE: NHBA July 13 Bandstand 50/50 Raffle

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**From:** Nancy-Jane Luff [mailto:luffive@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 20, 2022 1:50 PM  
**To:** Michael Tully <mtully@northhampton-nh.gov>  
**Cc:** Renee Locke <rj6973@outlook.com>  
**Subject:** NHBA July 13 Bandstand 50/50 Raffle

Good afternoon,

The NHBA is the sponsor of the July 13 Bandstand Concert this summer. After a brief hiatus due to COVID we would like to have permission to again conduct a 50/50 raffle during the event.

Money that will be raised at this July 13 event will be used in part to cover our NHBA Scholarship for 2023. The NHBA scholarship was instituted a couple of years ago to support a North Hampton resident graduating from secondary school to pursue either a Trade School, Entrepreneurship program, or a two or four year college. The total NHBA scholarship is \$1,000 total.

Thank you for your assistance in obtaining approval for this activity. If you have any questions or concerns please let me know!  
Nancy-Jane Luff



## Proposed Legislative Principles

In addition to the established Legislative Policy positions adopted by the New Hampshire Municipal Association membership, the following principles should guide staff in setting priorities during any legislative biennium:

1. Identify and oppose mandates that violate Part 1, Article 28-a of the New Hampshire Constitution.
2. Work to maintain municipalities' share of state-level revenue sources (revenue sharing, meals and rooms tax, highway block grants, municipal bridge, state water and wastewater capital programs, and other state aid). Oppose proposals that reduce revenue unless there is a sustainable identified replacement source. Support efforts that make more sustainable sources for revenue.
3. Advocate to maintain and enhance existing local authority in all areas of local government.
4. Support legislation that provides greater authority to govern more effectively, efficiently, and flexibly at the local level, including local option legislation. If the legislature is considering adopting a program that is particularly controversial at the local level, support a requirement that a local legislative body vote is necessary before full implementation of the measure.
5. Support bills proposed by individual municipal members, except when they conflict with these principles or NHMA's Legislative Policies.
6. Oppose mandated state exemptions from local property taxes without substantial benefits back to municipalities.
7. Advocate for municipal representation on state boards, commissions, and study committees that affect municipal government and have non-legislative members.
8. Work cooperatively with other groups and associations to support efforts to improve the delivery of services at the local level.
9. Support municipal efforts toward effective regional and state cooperation and delivery of municipal and state services.
10. Advocate for local options for economic development and vitality in partnership, including public-private partnerships, with regional and state economic development goals to encourage the overall economic health and social well-being of New Hampshire.
11. Encourage clarity and the elimination of ambiguity in statutory language, especially in areas of decision-making authority.

The legislative principles are not in order of weight or priority. They each carry their own independent value and should be viewed in that fashion when used to determine NHMA's position on a bill or policy.



**New Hampshire Municipal Association  
2023-2024 Legislative Policy Process**

**Floor Policy Proposal**

Submitted by (name) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

City or Town \_\_\_\_\_ Title of Person Submitting Policy \_\_\_\_\_

Floor Policy Proposal approved by vote of the governing body on (date) \_\_\_\_\_

To see if NHMA will SUPPORT/OPPOSE:

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Municipal interest to be accomplished by proposal:

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Explanation:

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A sheet like this should accompany each proposed floor policy and should record the date of the governing body vote approving the proposal. It should include a brief (one or two sentence) policy statement, a statement about the municipal interest served by the proposal, and an explanation which describes the nature of the problem or concern from a municipal perspective and discusses the proposed action which is being advocated to address the problem. Mail to 25 Triangle Park Drive, Concord, NH 03301; or email to [governmentaffairs@nhmunicipal.org](mailto:governmentaffairs@nhmunicipal.org). Must be received by August 12, 2022.



# 2023-2024 Proposed Legislative Policy Positions

## General Administration and Governance

### Local Authority and Efficiency

NHMA supports maintaining local government authority without infringement by the state, and supports measures that enable municipalities to exercise existing authority more efficiently and with greater discretion. NHMA also supports state-local partnership and coordination in addressing common issues.

#### **NHMA supports:**

- Legislation granting towns the same authority to adopt ordinances that cities have under RSA 47:17;
- Legislation clarifying that towns that have adopted RSA 49-D have the same powers and authority of municipalities that have adopted RSA 49-C.
- The authority of municipalities to regulate or limit the use of firearms on municipal property, and to regulate the carrying of firearms by municipal employees while on duty;
- Legislation allowing a town, by vote of its legislative body, to authorize appointment of the town clerk or town clerk/tax collector by the governing body, or by the chief executive officer based on a town charter;
- Legislation allowing municipalities to satisfy notice publication requirements through the use of electronic notification rather than newspaper publication, in addition to posting notice in public places.
- Legislation that is supportive of state collaboration with municipalities in addressing homelessness.
- Help ensure the availability of an adequate public sector workforce.

NHMA opposes legislation that detracts from existing local authority.

### **Right-to-Know Law**

NHMA supports the purposes of the Right-to-Know Law: to ensure the greatest possible public access to the actions, discussions, and records of all public bodies, and to ensure government's accountability to the people. NHMA also supports measures to make the law clearer and make compliance with public access requirements easier and less burdensome for public officials and employees and less costly for taxpayers.

#### **NHMA supports:**

- Reasonable requirements to make governmental records available electronically if no additional cost is involved;





- The ability to recover reasonable labor costs and other costs for responding to voluminous or excessive record requests;
- Exemptions from disclosure that are easy to administer and that provide appropriate protection for confidential and other sensitive information;
- An expedited and inexpensive process for resolving right-to-know complaints;
- Legislation and funding that provide support for education about the Right-to-Know Law.
- Authority of municipalities to set the meeting locations, conditions, and modalities (including in-person, remote, or combined in-person/remote) for meetings of councils, boards, committees, and commissions.

### **Elections**

NHMA believes that state and local elections should be fair and open, that voting should be simple and convenient without risking election integrity or security, and that election processes should be efficient without imposing undue burdens on local officials.

#### **NHMA supports:**

- Establishment of an independent redistricting commission to draw election districts fairly and without regard to partisan advantage;
- Local autonomy over town and city elections;
- More frequent state review and approval of electronic ballot-counting devices;
- Registration and voting processes that are not unnecessarily complex or burdensome, either to voters or to election officials;
- The use of secure technology such as electronic poll books to make election processes more efficient;
- Greater flexibility in the processing of absentee ballots;
- State assistance for the cost of accommodations for disabled voters in local elections.

### **Labor and Employment**

NHMA recognizes the importance of municipal employees, the need for good working conditions, and the right of employees to organize if they choose. NHMA also believes municipal employers should be free to set reasonable terms and conditions of employment or negotiate the same with their employees or employee representatives, without undue state interference.

**NHMA supports** existing laws governing public employee labor relations, and **opposes** changes that impose greater burdens or liabilities on employers.

#### **NHMA opposes:**

- Legislation creating a mandatory “evergreen clause” for public employee collective bargaining agreements;



- Mandatory binding arbitration as a mechanism to resolve impasses in municipal employee collective bargaining;
- A right to strike for public employees;
- New mandated employee benefits, including any proposal to enhance retirement system benefits that may increase employer costs in future years;
- Unnecessary limits on municipalities' discretion in making hiring decisions;
- Restrictions on municipalities' ability to privatize or use contracted services.

### **Substance Use, Prevention & Response**

#### **NHMA supports:**

- State funding to address substance use disorder for the following efforts:
  - Prevention
  - Treatment
  - Recovery
  - Enforcement;
- Legislation that supports prevention, treatment, recovery, and enforcement efforts.

#### **NHMA opposes:**

- Reductions in state funding for substance use disorder or recovery support programs;
- Legislation that makes it more difficult to address the substance use disorder problem in our communities.
- Legislation that authorizes the sale of cannabis unless the following requirements or conditions are included:
  - The processing, manufacture, refinement or sale of cannabis products in any municipality shall only be permitted after the legislative body of that municipality has adopted the provisions of enabling state legislation permitting such activities--“opt-in, not “opt out.”
  - Legislation that legalizes the sale of cannabis must include provisions for adequate and sustained funding to municipalities to address the costs associated with legalization because municipalities will be the governmental entities that will have to directly deal with the impacts of legalization, including local funding for items such as the following:
    - i. Substance abuse and the costs to provide care to those needing assistance.



- ii. Local police will be the first line of enforcement for underage use, impaired driving and the resultant social problems that are related to use of what is presently a controlled substance.
  - iii. Fire departments and EMS agencies are likely to see an increase in calls for overdoses of those abusing cannabis.
  - iv. The need for a significant enhancement in the DRE (Drug Recognition Expert) Program to ensure local departments can adequately enforce motor vehicle laws related to persons who choose to drive while impaired will be necessary.
- o Any legislation allowing for retail establishments for the sale of cannabis or cannabis products shall include a requirement for a host community agreement with the municipality in which a marijuana establishment is located, which may include provisions such as a community impact fee; a limit on the percentage of sales of total gross receipts that are related to cannabis sales; security measures for premises; agreements to fund police details when necessary; for crowd or traffic control; and termination of business provisions.

## Finance and Revenue

### Property Taxes and Related Revenues

NHMA supports legislation that allows municipalities to manage property tax levies in a manner that stabilizes tax rates and ensures equity, fairness, and efficiency in the assessment and collection of property taxes.

#### NHMA supports:

- The continuing right of municipalities to use any recognized method of appraisal upheld by the New Hampshire judicial system;
- Legislation to ensure that:
  - o property taxes are assessed to the proper owner by requiring that all owner name changes be separately filed at the registry of deeds when such an owner change is not created by a transfer of the property, and
  - o all liens, whether of a private or institutional nature, be filed at the registry of deeds, and that all changes to the name of a recorded lienholder be similarly filed;
- A legislative commission to study assessment and collection of property taxes and/or municipal utility fees on manufactured housing on land of another and on transient-type properties;
- Legislation ensuring fairness and accuracy in property tax exemptions including ensuring that all household income and assets are taken into account;



- Legislation that prohibits the use of the income approach by a taxpayer in any appeal of assessed value if the taxpayer refuses to provide such information as requested by the municipality;
- A legislative commission to study reimbursement through payments in lieu of taxes (PILOTs) for municipal services provided to exempt charitable properties, including charitable non-profit housing projects;
- Legislation amending RSA 80:56 to enable municipalities to charge a fee for any financial remittance issued to the municipality that is returned as uncollectible;
- Legislation to lower the abatement interest rate that municipalities pay under RSA 76:17-a from six percent to four percent to align it better with the interest rates on delinquent taxes that were lowered by the legislature in 2019.

**NHMA opposes:**

- Legislation that directly or indirectly increases property taxes, including but not limited to new or expanded mandatory exemptions or credits, or changes in the process for valuing, assessing, or taxing specific classes of properties;
- Legislation that undermines the basic goals of the current use program or reduces the 10-acre minimum size requirement for qualification for current use beyond those exceptions now allowed by the rules of the Current Use Board;
- Legislation that expands the definition of “charitable” in RSA 72:23-1 unless the state reimburses municipalities for the commensurate loss of property tax base;
- An assessment methodology for big box stores that employs comparisons to “dark store” properties abandoned or encumbered with deed restrictions on subsequent use.

**State Aid and Non-Property Tax Revenues**

NHMA supports funding of state aid to municipalities, supports legislation authorizing local control over non-property tax revenue streams, and opposes legislation that reduces, suspends, or eliminates existing local taxes, fees, or state aid.

**NHMA supports:**

- Full restoration of revenue sharing under RSA 31-A;
- A state transportation policy that provides adequate and sustainable funding for state and municipal infrastructure and transportation systems and maintains at least the 12 percent share of state highway funds distributed to municipalities;
- Legislation authorizing the establishment of local option fees and providing for periodic adjustments to statutory fees to compensate for factors including, but not limited to, the effects of inflation, such as an increase in the maximum optional fee for transportation improvements;



- Legislation to ensure the collection of unpaid bills for ambulance and other emergency services;
- Reimbursement from the state for the cost of municipal services provided to state-owned properties;
- Legislation amending motor vehicle registration enforcement laws to ensure collection of all state and local registration fees owed by New Hampshire residents;
- Legislation amending RSA 36-A:5 II to allow trustees of trust funds to invest conservation funds instead of only the town treasurer, if voted by the legislative body;

**NHMA opposes:**

- Legislation that would repeal the dedicated fund created to share 30% of state meals and rooms tax revenue with municipalities along with any further reduction to the percentage shared, or any further reduction to the state meals and rooms tax.
- Diversion of state highway funds for state non-transportation network purposes.

**New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS)**

NHMA supports the continuing existence of a retirement system for state, municipal, school, and county government employees that is secure, solvent, fiscally healthy, and financially sustainable, and that both employees and employers can rely on to provide retirement benefits for the foreseeable future.

**NHMA supports:**

- Restoration of up to 35% of the state's share of employer costs for police, teachers, and firefighters in the current defined benefit plan and any successor plan, with the goal being a 35% re-instatement of the state contribution;
- Inclusion of participation by a municipal official designated by NHMA on any legislative study committee or commission formed to research alternative retirement system benefits plans or designs;
- Performance of an actuarial analysis of any legislation proposing benefits changes or other plan changes that may affect employer contribution rates.

**NHMA opposes:**

- Legislation expanding benefits that increase current or future employer contribution costs;
- Legislation that assesses additional charges on employers beyond NHRS board-approved rate changes;
- Legislation that expands the eligibility of NHRS membership to positions not currently covered by the plan;
- Legislation further restricting a municipality's ability to employ NHRS retirees in part-time positions or the imposition of any fees or penalties associated with such employment.



## **Education Funding**

NHMA supports a revenue structure for funding an adequate education to meet the state's responsibilities as defined by the constitution, statutes, and the common law with revenue sources that are predictable, stable, and sustainable.

### **NHMA supports:**

- A revenue structure that is not disruptive to the long-term economic health of the state;
- A revenue structure that is efficient in its administration;
- A revenue structure that is fair to citizens.

### **NHMA opposes:**

- Retroactive changes to the adequate education funding distribution formula after the notice of grant amounts has been provided to local governments.

## **Infrastructure, Development, and Land Use**

### **Energy, Environment, and Sustainability**

NHMA supports preservation and enhancement of municipal energy, climate, and sustainability planning for communities, protection of the natural environment, and implementation of clean and renewable energy, while recognizing the need for municipalities to manage their resources and the natural environment without undue cost.

### **NHMA supports:**

- Legislation that broadens municipalities' ability to install and use renewable energy sources, including higher caps or elimination of caps on net energy metering;
- Legislation that provides financial and other assistance to municipalities for conservation techniques and installation and maintenance of renewable energy sources;
- Legislation that allows municipalities to adopt local environmental regulations that are no less stringent than those implemented by the state;
- Legislation that enables municipalities to enact measures that promote local energy and land use systems that are both economically and environmentally sustainable;
- Legislation that protects and preserves local natural resources and public infrastructure, builds community resilience, and fosters adaptation to climate change and mitigates its risks;
- Policies that support customer and community choice in energy supply and use competitive market-based mechanisms to promote innovation, cost effectiveness, and sustainability; and
- Legislation that provides state or federal assistance to municipalities to mitigate environmental inequity impacts faced by their residents, and drive early local engagement in decision processes.



**NHMA opposes:**

- Legislation that overrides local determinations of appropriate energy sources and regulations.

**Water Resources Protection, Control, and Management**

NHMA supports measures enabling municipalities to protect, control, and efficiently and safely manage water infrastructure and its resources. NHMA believes the State should support its commitments to municipalities for water infrastructure programs and that any new mandates that impose additional costs on municipalities must be funded by the state or federal government.

**NHMA supports:**

- Legislation that provides state or federal investment in maintaining and improving the state's critical water infrastructure, including, but not limited to, dams, public drinking water systems, wastewater systems, stormwater systems, and surface and groundwater;
- Legislation that encourages regional and innovative solutions to drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and surface and groundwater issues;
- Regulation of emerging contaminants at appropriate and feasibly achievable levels when supported by relevant scientific and technical standards that are broadly accepted by peer review and cost-benefit analyses, when coupled with appropriate state or federal funding.

**NHMA opposes:**

- Enactment of stricter drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, or surface water and groundwater regulations for municipalities unless any costs of compliance are funded by the state or federal government.

**Solid Waste Management**

NHMA recognizes the need for efficient, economical, and environmentally sensitive mechanisms for solid waste management which allow municipalities to use the most appropriate disposal systems. NHMA believes any new mandates that impose additional costs on municipalities must be funded by the state or federal government.

**NHMA supports:**

- Programs that support municipal, regional, and state strategies to manage solid waste through reduction, reuse, recycling, resource recovery, composting, and other measures, while maintaining local control;
- State programs that address existing and emerging contaminants at no additional cost to municipalities;
- Fees or assessments on solid waste or recycling that are used to provide direct support or enhancement of local or regional solid waste, household hazardous waste, and recycling programs.



## **Housing**

NHMA recognizes the need for diverse and affordable housing in New Hampshire and the responsibility of each municipality to afford reasonable opportunities for the development of diverse and affordable housing. NHMA believes municipalities should have discretion in how to satisfy this responsibility and supports legislation that enables municipalities to find innovative ways to ensure an adequate supply of housing.

### **NHMA supports:**

- Legislation that allows municipalities to require the inclusion of affordable and diverse housing opportunities as part of new housing developments;
- Financial and other incentives to municipalities to encourage development of diverse and affordable housing;
- Statewide efforts to provide housing for those recovering from substance misuse, subject to reasonable municipal regulation;
- Policies that encourage documentation and financial traceability of cash and bartered rental transactions;
- Legislation and policies that encourage creative and flexible approaches to meeting housing needs of current and future demographics in different regions.
- Legislation which promotes a collaborative approach between the state, municipalities, and other key stakeholders to address the state's housing shortage.

### **NHMA opposes:**

- Legislation and policies that allow for or encourage housing practices that exclude people from and decrease the availability of quality, affordable housing;
- Legislation that erodes local control over land use decisions.

## **Land Use**

NHMA supports the long-standing authority of municipalities to regulate land use matters with minimal interference from the state.

### **NHMA supports:**

- Legislation authorizing municipalities to regulate short-term rentals of residential properties, including licensing requirements and health and safety protections;
- Legislation enabling municipalities at their discretion to adopt more recent editions of national/international building and fire codes than the current state-adopted editions.
- Legislation that supports the adoption of more recent editions of the national/international building and fire codes after review and recommendation by the Building Code Review Board and/or the State Fire Control Board.





**NHMA opposes:**

- Legislation that limits municipal control in implementing statewide priorities in zoning and land use regulation;
- New state mandates requiring municipalities to allow specific types of housing;
- All other statewide land use mandates.

**Information Technology, Communications, and Cybersecurity**

NHMA supports initiatives to make the most current information and communication technology accessible to New Hampshire communities, so long as local authority over land use regulation and safety issues is not compromised.

**NHMA supports:**

- Legislation that increases the ability of municipalities, especially those in rural and remote areas, to facilitate and advance access to reliable broadband technology to the premises in their communities;
- Legislation that provides flexibility for municipalities in accessing poles and pole attachments, including legislation that directs the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission to adopt the FCC rule on access to poles called “One-Touch-Make-Ready” in order to facilitate bringing high-speed fiber optic cable to service all New Hampshire communities, homes, and businesses by internet service providers (ISPs) in an expedient and cost-effective manner;
- Legislation that provides state and federal investment, including grants, for installation of high-speed fiber optic broadband technology to serve all New Hampshire communities, homes, and businesses;
- Legislation that requires or encourages and incentivizes providers to disclose information to local government relative to access and broadband connections provided in the municipality to help municipalities better understand and address the needs of their community;
- State investment in cybersecurity assistance to municipalities to protect data and infrastructure.

**NHMA opposes:**

- Legislation that limits municipalities’ ability to prevent or regulate deployment of technologies that would interfere with the management of the right of way;
- Statewide mandates on cybersecurity practices unless any associated costs are funded by the state or federal government.



## **Transportation**

NHMA supports state policies that ensure access for all users to convenient, efficient, reliable, cost effective, safe, and sustainable multi-modal transportation systems in New Hampshire.

### **NHMA supports:**

- Appropriate funding for state and local modes of transportation, including but not limited aviation, transit, bicycle, and multi-modal facilities;
- Continued state and federal investment in public transportation systems and projects designed to support access to vital services, economic, and recreational opportunities within communities, link communities and regions, and reduce vehicle congestion on New Hampshire's roads;
- Programs and funding sources that would appropriately recover and distribute the impact of vehicles used on local and state transportation infrastructure.

### **NHMA opposes:**

- Any action or inaction by the State that results in the downshifting of maintenance responsibilities for transportation infrastructure (road, bridge, culvert, drainage) to municipalities.

## **Economic Development, Recovery, and Vitality**

NHMA supports allowing municipalities to implement measures to foster economic development which allows for the preservation and creation of jobs and vitality within our communities.

### **NHMA supports:**

- Legislation that allows for local adoption of more options and more flexibility to provide incentives for economic recovery and development;
- Expansion and more flexibility of state tax credit and exemption programs to foster economic recovery, development, and vitality.

### **NHMA opposes:**

- Legislation that makes it more burdensome to implement economic recovery, development, and vitality measures.

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**MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS**



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**TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**NORTH HAMPTON SELECT BOARD MEETING**  
**JUNE 13, 2022 7:00 PM**  
**NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL**  
***DRAFT MINUTES***

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman James Sununu, Vice-Chair Jim Maggiore, Selectman Jonathan Pinette  
ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator Michael Tully

**AGENDA**

Chairman James Sununu welcomed everyone to the North Hampton Select Board Meeting of June 13, 2022 and called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**First Public Comment Session**

*For comments please call 603-758-1447; email [jsununu@northhampton-nh.gov](mailto:jsununu@northhampton-nh.gov)*

No public comment.

**Consent Calendar**

- 3.1 Payroll Manifest of May 26, 2022 in the amount of \$81,077.41
- 3.2 Payroll Manifest of June 2, 2022 in the amount of \$110,524.89
- 3.3 Payroll Manifest of June 9, 2022 in the amount of \$254,541.09
- 3.4 Accounts Payable Manifest of May 26, 2022 in the amount of \$929,269.73
- 3.5 Accounts Payable Manifest of June 9, 2022 in the amount of \$807,957.89
- 3.6 Approval of Exempt Properties – Religious/Charitable/Educational

**Motion:** To approve Consent Calendar items 3.1 – 3.6 as presented.

**Motioned:** Selectman Pinette

**Seconded:** Vice-Chair Maggiore

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

***Disclaimer – These minutes are prepared by the Recording Secretary within five (5) business days as required by NH RSA 91-A:2, II. They will not be finalized until approved by majority vote of the Select Board.***

35 ***A recording of the meeting can be found at: [http://www.townhallstreams.com/towns/north\\_hampton\\_nh](http://www.townhallstreams.com/towns/north_hampton_nh), and a***  
36 ***DVD recording is available at the North Hampton Town Administrative Offices, 233 Atlantic Avenue, North***  
37 ***Hampton, New Hampshire 03862.***

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39 **Correspondence**

40 **4.1 Letter from Joe Fitzgerald** – Read in full by Chairman Sununu: Regarding stock market crashing, 401Ks,  
41 and housing prices starting to tumble; advised Selectmen to pull the plug on the new building project.

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43 **Committee Updates**

44 Vice-Chair Maggione said the *Heritage Commission* met and reported that Jeff Hillier, longtime member  
45 of the Heritage Commission and many other committees in North Hampton, is moving out of town after  
46 50 years as a resident. His wife also served as a Library Trustee and they will be missed. No updates on  
47 the *Water Commission* yet.

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49 Chairman Sununu said *Rails to Trails* and the *Budget Committee* have not met since our last meeting and  
50 there are no updates.

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52 **Report of the Town Administrator**

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

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55 **Report from May 24 – June 10, 2022:** Finance 7% of Budget remaining with 3 weeks left in fiscal year; Fire  
56 Department hired paramedic Kevin Levine from Hampton Fire Department; Dispatch responsibilities  
57 transferred to Rockingham County Dispatch Center in preparation for move to interim facilities; plan of  
58 repair put together for new leased spaces; Planning Board Hearing on project planned for July and moving  
59 schedule set; completing background process for new Code Enforcement Officer/Building Inspector.

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61 **Items Left on the Table** – None

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63 **NEW BUSINESS**

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65 **8.1 Aquarion Water Quarterly Update**

66 Carl McMorrان, Aquarion Operations Manager, said the area has been a little dry and running at a bit of  
67 a deficit. He said all our wells are in really good shape and we are officially in a Moderate Drought. Metered  
68 Services trends over last 12 years show steady growth, but number of seasonal accounts is declining with  
69 more cottages being modified to year-round.

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71 Dan Lawrence, Aquarion Vice-President for Engineering, said treatment is in for Mill Road Well Field with  
72 treatment at Well 6 with highest PFAS rate, in an effort to control migration of that contamination and  
73 protect remainder of wells. A PFOA chart shows Well 6 before treatment with 16-18 parts per trillion (ppt),  
74 treated Well 6 now has zero, with 3 ppt out of the Mill Road Well Field, and we are at a good spot now  
75 relative to maximum contaminant levels established by DES.

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77 Mr. Lawrence said a small water main replacement will be done in Hampton to upgrade 300 ft of asbestos-  
78 cement pipe 70 years old. He said the company also applied through the SRF Program to DES for Wells 7  
79 and 22 for arsenic treatment, which the states will receive in October; DES lowered arsenic standard from  
80 10 to 5, and it is an emerging high contaminant.

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82 **8.2 Review of Statistical Revaluation Request for Proposals Received**

83 Town Administrator Tully said in an effort to be ahead of the curve the Board approved me to go out with  
84 an RFP; sent to 21 companies with 3 responses received, one of which does not have the staffing at this  
85 time. There is a Capital Reserve account for the Revaluation with enough money to cover either RFP.

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87 Chairman Sununu said proposals are from Vision Government Solutions for \$56,000 and Municipal  
88 Resources Inc. (MRI) for \$52,000, with very little difference in what they are proposing. Vice-Chair  
89 Maggiore said both bids are in line with what we expect to pay and he has no concerns with either.

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91 **Motion:** That the Board hire Municipal Resources, Inc. (MRI) for our revaluation process at a price not to  
92 exceed \$52,000 as stated on their proposal.

93 **Motioned:** Vice-Chair Maggiore

94 **Seconded:** Selectman Pinette

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

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### 97 **8.3 Legislative Update**

98 State Representative Maggiore said about 1,000-1,200 bills have been submitted to legislature with about  
99 150 that become law. Those important for North Hampton include: Senate Bill 401 allocates \$36 Mil for  
100 municipally owned bridges, \$30 Mil for municipal roads, and \$1 Mil for body-worn and dashcam cameras  
101 with funding coming to the states; \$11,500 for North Hampton to go to roads and bridges.

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103 House Bill 1221 would have made contributions we make to retirement fund a permanent 7.5%  
104 contribution from the State; ultimately amended and limited to one year only. House Bill 1547 allocates  
105 another \$25 Mil to existing PFAS Remediation Loan Fund increasing it from \$50 Mil to \$75 Mil and provides  
106 additional relief to towns and cities addressing PFAS chemicals in their water systems.

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108 House Bill 1069 allows Village Districts to go from 3 commissioners to 5 commissioners; House Bill 1157  
109 provides that no election ballot-counting device shall have access to the internet; House Bill 1457 specifies  
110 that sealed containers holding ballots and absentee ballot materials be stored in a location under direction  
111 of the Town Clerk; Senate Bill 239 requires that all political subdivisions of municipalities notify the  
112 Department of Revenue Administration of completed municipal or county audits. Bills that have become  
113 law: 132 and hundreds that did not get a vote.

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### 115 **8.4 Acceptance of the Per and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Remediation Grant & Loan Fund (PTAS RLF)**

116 Town Administrator Tully said during PFAS investigation our consultant was tasked to look around a  
117 certain radius of the Town Complex and determine whether houses/businesses were on town water or  
118 private water. One business was found to be on private water and DES asked that we either bring public  
119 water to that site or put in a point of service system which the Town would have to service and maintain  
120 forever. The site has an easement to enter over someone else's property which has been paved and a bid  
121 was needed for a contractor to come in and directional drill it. He said he applied for and received a grant  
122 which will allow us to fix that problem.

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124 **Motion:** That the North Hampton Select Board enter into a PFAS Remediation Loan Fund Grant  
125 agreement with NHDES to fund a water system improvement project; Town of North Hampton further  
126 authorizes Michael J. Tully, Town Administrator, to execute any documents which may be necessary to  
127 effectuate this grant agreement.

128 **Motioned:** Vice-Chair Maggiore

129 **Seconded:** Selectman Pinette

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

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**8.5 Discussion of Clerk of the Works Position**

Chairman Sununu said a resume was received from Mark Jobin for the position of Clerk of the Works, a position that is part of the Budget for the building projects as someone hired by the Town to represent its interests who has some level of technical expertise in construction and can work closely with the project manager and sub-contractors in overseeing planning and execution of the project on our behalf. This is a particular candidate that stood out and the Board recommends authorizing Mr. Tully to engage Mr. Jobin.

**Motion:** That the Board authorize Mr. Tully to engage in finalizing an agreement with Mr. Mark Jobin for Clerk of the Works position.

**Motioned:** Selectman Pinette

**Seconded:** Vice-Chair Maggiore

**Vote:** Motion approved 3-0

**8.6 Building Projects Update**

Town Administrator Tully said the Bond Sale happened June 7<sup>th</sup> and the Town was notified today that the 30-year interest rate would be 3.98%, higher than we expected. He said they estimated 52-cent increase to taxes which would probably now be 55 cents. He said both Chiefs met with PCG and Two-Way putting together certain changes that have to happen to the buildings as well as working with Mr. Ricci. Those will start end of June/beginning of July with hope to have Fire and Police in the building in mid-August; would like them operating in that space before we make decisions on demolishing buildings probably at end of October/beginning of November.

Town Administrator Tully said Mr. Ricci will be doing a walkthrough with the Chiefs next week to put together a punch list on what needs to happen inside the building and we will move forward. Right now still shooting for a July Planning Board date for a Public Hearing; looking at a construction schedule to start end of October/beginning of November on Fire/Police Building; renovation would start sometime toward end of July/beginning of August.

**8.7 Appointment of Kathy Kilgore to Capital Improvements Committee (Library Representative)**

**Motion:** That the Board appoint Kathleen Kilgore as Library Representative to the Capital Improvements Committee.

**Motioned:** Selectman Pinette

**Seconded:** Vice-Chair Maggiore

**Vote:** Motion approved 3-0

**MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS**

**14.1 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2022**

**Motion:** To approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2022 as presented.

**Motioned:** Vice-Chair Maggiore

**Seconded:** Selectman Pinette

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

**14.2 Approval of Non-Public Sessions I, II, and III Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2022**

**Motion:** To approve Non-Public Sessions I, II, and III Meeting Minutes of May 23, 2022, as presented.

**Motioned:** Vice-Chair Maggiore

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178 **Seconded:** Selectman Pinette  
179 **Vote:** Motion approved by a vote of 3-0

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181 **Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board**

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183 **Second Public Comment Session**  
184 *For comments please call 603-758-1447; or email [jsununu@northhampton-nh.gov](mailto:jsununu@northhampton-nh.gov)*

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186 No Public Comment.

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188 **Next Regular Meeting:** June 27, 2022

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190 **Adjournment**  
Chairman Sununu adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm.

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192 Respectfully submitted,  
193 Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary