

TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE NORTH HAMPTON SELECT BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING MONDAY, JULY 10, 2023

NORTH HAMPTON TOWN OFFICES NON-PUBLIC SESSION I 237A ATLANTIC AVENUE 5:30 O'CLOCK P.M.

NORTH HAMPTON TOWN OFFICES NON-PUBLIC SESSION II 237A ATLANTIC AVENUE 6:15 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 JPINETTE@NORTHHAMPTON-NH.GOV AND YOUR EMAIL WILL BE READ ALOUD DURING THE MEETING.

- 1. Call to Order By Chair
- 2. Non-Public Session I Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a)
- 3. Non-Public Session II Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a)
- 4. Return to Public Session and Pledge of Allegiance
- 5. 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.

6. Consent Calendar

6.1 Payroll Manifest of June 29, 2023 in the amount of \$124,551.66

- 6.2 Payroll Manifest of July 6, 2023 in the amount of \$91,576.03
- 6.3 Accounts Payable Manifest of June 8, 2023, in the amount of \$228,479.26
- 6.4 Accounts Payable Manifest of July 1, 2023 in the amount of \$1,373,600.83
- 6.5 Veteran's Exemption Application
- 6.6 Cemetery Deeds

7. Correspondence

7.1 Correspondence from Jennifer Emery

8. Committee Update

- 8.1 Heritage Commission
- 8.2 Water Commission
- 8.3 Rails to Trails Committee
- 8.4 Budget Committee
- 8.5 Capital Improvements Committee

9. Report of the Town Administrator

10. Items Left on the Table

11. New Business

- 11.1 Fish House Septic Systems Update
- 11.2 Aquarion Water Company Quarterly Update
- 11.3 Presentation of Preliminary Assessment Values Municipal Resources

12. Minutes of Prior Meetings

12.1 Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of June 26, 2023

13. 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.

14. Second Public Comment Session

See Item 5, above

15. Adjournment

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CONSENT CALENDAR

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CORRESPONDENCE

Forwarded message From: Jen Emery < jen.emery.447@gmail.com> Date: Sun, Jul 2, 2023 at 6:48 AM Subject: North Road East To: Michael Tully < mtully@northhampton-nh.gov>, John Hubbard < jhubbard@northhampton-nh.gov>
Dear Mr. Tully.
Please read this letter to the board at your next meeting which I see on your calendar is July 10 @ 7:00 pm.
Could I please have the email address of the temporary Chief of Police?
It is 6:20 am.
I am installing a camera in front of my house. I am concerned about the speed of the traffic between my house and the golfing range, and the corner after my house.
I'm sure you already know that 80-90% of vehicles traveling that stretch are doing so at high rates of speed. Since the early 1970s, there have been many accidents on this road. I personally remember the high school kid from Portsmouth that was hit head on at the first mentioned corner. Speed was a factor. My mother called the pd while I ran up the hill in the dark to route 1 to flag them down. At that time, North Road was not populated as it is now. As I had suspected, the cruiser sped right by the road. I was the one put a blanket over the deceased rider, Mr. White. I was not even 15 years old.
And a few years ago, my sons best friend was killed just down the street from me. On the 4th of July. Motorcycle. Speed.
Now I live in that house that I grew up in. This morning was the last straw for me after living here over 50 years, and felt compelled to contact you.
The road from route 1 to West Road, Rye, has no lighting. I would inquire about the installation of a street light.

I would also like to know about a speed strip/bump/traffic slower. One that is removable in the winter for plowing. I have seen stirips such as these in other towns and they work incredible well,
I would like to have a 'your speed' sign set up as well. either way. east or west. Both directions are equally as bad.
I am appealing to you first. If there is someone else you wish to direct me to, please let me know.
It worries me to know that our police department is suffering great distress with staffing issues, and I'm concerned about the time lapse between an accident, and the time it might take for the departments to respond. Taking into consideration the requests I have made, I feel very sure that those additions to North Road East, will help deter, manage, slow down the traffic, and save lives. The lighting would allow drivers to negotiate the sharp corners, and deterioration of the road conditions.
I don't want to put a blanket on another victim.
Please consider this letter to be of high importance. Critical even. Time is of the essence.
Sincerely,
Jennifer Emery 19 North Road, North Hampton, NH.

feedback signs have been shown to be effective, but only marginally; most data shows a 1-2mph speed reduction on average.
Good luck,
Mike
From: Jen Emery < <u>jen.emery.447@gmail.com</u> > Sent: Wednesday, July 05, 2023 8:40 AM To: Havey, Kristine < <u>Kristine.Havey@dot.nh.gov</u> >; Caron, Roger < <u>Roger.Caron@dot.nh.gov</u> > Subject: Fwd: North Road East
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I know that the State is working with North Hampton in regards to the replacement/repair/modification of the route 1 overpass for the

railroad trail. There has been much discussion about the overpass deteriorating and actually falling in at some points. I am setting my sights on that project in the hopes we can obtain ways to cut down on the speed.

As you mentioned, the Town will need to evaluate the risks in favor of and against adding a feature like this.

I will forward this info to Mike Tully, and ask what the appropriate steps would be for this type of request.

In appreciation,

Jennifer Emery, 19 North Road, North Hampton, NH

On Thu, Jul 6, 2023 at 9:32 AM ODonnell, Michael < Michael. T. ODonnell@dot.nh.gov > wrote:

Jen,

I am so sorry to hear of your experiences. I have pulled together some thoughts and information for you that may be of some use. Where this is not a State road, I am just doing this as a courtesy.

To answer the question asked, I believe the pricing for a rubber speed hump would be in the range of \$1000-\$7000. If these are already being used in North Hampton, they may already have a preferred vendor. I would recommend also installing street lighting to assure optimal visibility on the approaches to the speed hump, as an unsuspecting motorist or motorcyclist could lose control of their vehicle if they reach the speed hump going too fast. The Town will need to evaluate the risks in favor of and against adding a feature like this.

I do happen to have the engineering plans in my office for Banfield Road, and see that the speed hump there was designed to be built with asphalt and intended to be permanent. It also appears that it was designed for 15mph in an otherwise 30mph zone. But with that said I admittedly have not seen the completed project so there could have been changes decided upon after the plans I have were created. The engineers at the City may have additional information.

I also wanted to get you some numbers on the speeds in front of your house (speed limit is posted at 35mph). Eastbound, the average speed is 39mph and the 85th percentile is 46mph. Westbound, the average speed is 40mph and the 85th percentile is 47mph. In both directions, I am seeing that in rare cases there are motorists topping 50mph. So as you mention, both directions are basically seeing the same speeding issues. And these values are consistent with what we see across the state.

As you acknowledge, the local police department is experiencing staffing issues. I know this to be true in the courts as well. For this reason, it is difficult for cases to be prosecuted except in the most extreme circumstances. The radar

Janet Facella

From:

Michael Tully

Sent:

Thursday, July 6, 2023 11:14 AM

To:

Janet Facella

Subject:

Fwd: North Road East

Correspondence please

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy S23 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone Get Outlook for Android

From: Jen Emery < jen.emery.447@gmail.com> Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2023 10:03:41 AM

To: Michael Tully <mtully@northhampton-nh.gov>; John Hubbard <jhubbard@northhampton-nh.gov>

Subject: Fwd: North Road East

Good morning, Mike.

I see that some of the conditions on North Road east are being looked after today!

I received some communication from Mike O'Donnell at the State Dept of Transportation.

Very helpful.

What steps and/or processes would be needed for the Town to evaluate the risks in favor of and against adding a feature like this?

If you could kindly address this query on Monday at the meeting, and let me know in writing what the general consensus is, that would be greatly appreciated.

Please feel free to add this addendum to the original letter I send.

Thanks, Mike, Jen

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Jen Emery < ien.emery.447@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Jul 6, 2023 at 9:55 AM Subject: Re: North Road East

To: ODonnell, Michael < Michael. T. ODonnell @dot.nh.gov >

Mike,

Thanks so much for the prompt response.

The information you shared has been very helpful, and courteous.

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COMMITTEE UPDATES

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REPORT OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

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NEW BUSINESS

Town of No. Hampton, NH

2023 Preliminary Valuation Update Report

July 5, 2023

The results of the 2023 Valuation update were as follows:

Commercial increased

<u>T</u> (OTAL ASSESSMENT	<u>TAXABLE</u>
2023 Total Assessed Value = 2022 Total Assessed Value =		\$1,816,479,200 \$1,211,017,093 \$ 605,462,107
	Percent Change	Number of Sales
Overall values increased	Percent Change 49%	Number of Sales 187
Overall values increased Residential increased		
	49%	187
Residential increased	49% 51%	187 119

38%

18

	2 Year	1 Year	IAAO Standards
Overall Median Assessment to Sales Ratio	1.00%	97.90%	90% - 110 %
Overall Coefficient of Dispersion (COD)	8.50%	6.99 %	Less Than 15 %
Price Related Differential (PRD)	1.019	1.010	.98 to 1.03

As part of the valuation process, we inspected all sale properties in the town and analyzed qualified sales from 4/1/2021 through 3/31/2023. We did a full field review of all properties.

Preliminary value notices will be mailed the week of July 17, 2023.

Hearings will be held beginning August1st through August 8th. Taxpayers will have the opportunity to schedule an informal hearing either in person, at the town hall, by phone, or by zoom, and can also send us information by mail. Calls will be taken thru August 4, 2023

Please let me know if you have any questions and or concerns.

Respectfully Submitted, Paul McKenney, CMA Municipal Resources Inc.

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MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS



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2	TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
3	NORTH HAMPTON SELECT BOARD MEETING
4	JUNE 26, 2023 7:00 PM
5	NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL
6	DRAFT MINUTES
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8 9	SELECT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jonathan Pinette, Vice-Chairman James Sununu, Selectmar James Maggiore
10 11	ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator Michael Tully
12 13 14 15	Chairman Pinette welcomed everyone to the Select Board Regular Meeting of June 26, 2023 and called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance; coming from Non-Public Sessions I and II; no need to seal Session I minutes.
16 17 18 19 20	Motion: To seal the meeting minutes of Non-Public Session II. Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu Seconded: Selectman Maggiore Vote: Motion approved 3-0
21 22 23	First Public Comment Session No Public Comment.
23 24 25 26 27 28	Consent Calendar 6.1 Payroll Manifest of June 15, 2023 in the amount of \$103,976.04 6.2 Payroll Manifest of June 22, 2023 in the amount of \$86,608.37 6.3 Accounts Payable Manifest of June 22, 2023 in the amount of \$656,830.28
29	Motion: To approve Payroll Manifest items 6.1-6.3 as presented.
30	Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu
31	Seconded: Selectman Maggiore
32 33	Vote: Motion approved 3-0
34 35 36	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.

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.

<u>Correspondence</u> – <u>Lori Cotter</u>, June 12, 2023 – Read in full by Chairman Pinette: Ms. Cotter stated that Public Safety in North Hampton has reached a crucial stage, she questioned the issue was about money, asked about a "toxic working environment, and requested the Board initiate an employee survey not handled by MRI.

Committee Updates

Selectman Maggiore said the *Heritage Commission* presented their Master Plan update for the Historic Resources Chapter at the last meeting which was adopted by the Planning Board unanimously; *Water Commission* has not met.

Vice-Chair Sununu said Rails to Trails has not met since the last meeting; no Budget Committee meeting.

Chairman Pinette said CIP Committee has not met since last meeting.

Report of the Town Administrator

<u>Period: Through June 23. 2023</u>: Finance at 5% of Budget with 2 weeks left in FY; Dylan Spence graduated from Police Academy and started field training; conditional offer made for Police Chief replacement; another employee going to Police Academy in July; Fire conducting life safety inspections and seeking candidate for open position; Rec: summer camp started June 19th, adult coed softball June 20th, Centennial Hall fireworks August 12th, First Annual Golf Tournament at Sagamore Golf Club September 12th; PFAS investigation work continuing; Fire Negotiations Union to meeting in July; Revaluation: Ryan Cornwell will join Board at next meeting for a review.

Vice-Chair Sununu said *Rails to Trails* is still working with Lafayette Plaza to provide trail access and continuing work with RPC on 501-C to administer and coordinate use of trail going forward. He said requests were solicited from businesses interested in sponsoring the Golf Tournament in Friday Folders.

Items Left on the Table

NEW BUSINESS

11.1 Building Project Update

Marc Jobin, Clerk of the Works for the Safety Complex, said work is being done tonight to spray foam insulation in the attic; all mechanical systems are being installed; rest of insulation will be completed and dry wall installed. Siding and trim continues on the outside; roof is weathertight; parking is limited and will be ramping up in a few weeks with drainage and septic system in back; base coat of asphalt in July; project should be completed by end of November with Budget on target.

11.2 Appointment of Library Trustee to Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Committee

- 80 Motion: To appoint Jacqueline Brandt as Library Representative to the CIP Committee.
- 81 Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu
 82 Seconded: Selectman Maggiore
 83 Vote: Motion approved 3-0

11.3 Discussion of Community Aggregation

Town Administrator Tully said two meeting ago Stuart Ormsbee of Colonial Power Group and Bart Fromuth of Freedom Energy Logistics presented information on Community Aggregation to the Select Board. He said he went back for more information and also set up for Community Coalition to come in to present their information.

Town Administrator Tully said he started moving forward with Colonial Power Group and scheduled June or July for Select Board to vote on an Energy Aggregation Committee which will work with Colonial Power Group to propose a draft of the program plan in accordance with State Statutes and PUC, hold 2 public hearings for comments in October or November, have Select Board approve a plan for a Warrant Article in December for voters to adopt in March 2024; Colonial Power Group will file with PUC for review and approval; program launches late 2024 or early 2025 depending on pricing going forward.

Town Administrator Tully said if they do all this work now and decide it is not worthwhile to jump in at that time, they can wait for pricing to be most advantageous. He said the bill will look the same but power handled from another place. The program is opt-in and they are now seeing rates of \$0.11-\$01.2/kWh with Eversource charging \$0.22/kWh; percentages of energy from renewable power can be set. He said he thinks the program is worthwhile and the Select Board will need to sign a contract agreement with Colonial Power.

Vice-Chair Sununu explained that this was enabled by an RSA passed a few years ago and this March was the first time towns were actually able to vote whether or not to move in this direction, after approval of PUC on the program structure. There are 2 options: (1) Cooperative venture between towns; (2) go out on our own to negotiate contract. He said Hampton recently approved a contract with Colonial Power Group and more data will be available by fall. He said the Town only pays if they decide to enter into an agreement. He said Eversource and Until have to look at pricing every 6 months but Colonial Power can look at up to 5 years of power purchases which helps even things out.

Motion: For Select Board to form an Energy Aggregation Committee of up to 5 members and advertise to the public that interested people are being solicited to serve on that Committee.

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Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu
Seconded: Selectman Maggiore
Vote: Motion approved 3-0

Town Administrator Tully said they should allow for at least 2 weeks in Friday Folders and vote at the second Select Board meeting July 24, 2023.

Motion: That pending review by the Town Attorney the Select Board authorize the Town Administrator to execute the agreement with Colonial Power Group for the Community Choice Aggregation Program.

Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu
Seconded: Selectman Maggiore
Vote: Motion approved 3-0

Town Administrator Tully said the Colonial Power Group presentation was posted on the website; Select Board will be working with the Energy Committee, and he will be working on the Warrant Article for fall.

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS

Select Board Regular Meeting June 26, 202

132	12.1 Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of June 12, 2023
133 134	Motion: To approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2023 as presented. Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu
135	Seconded: Selectman Maggiore
136	Vote: Motion approved 3-0
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138	12.1 Approval of Non-Public Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2023
139 140	Motion: To approve the Non-Public Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2023 as presented. Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu
140 141	Seconded: Selectman Maggiore
141 142	Vote: Motion approved 3-0
142 143	vote: Motion approved 5-0
143 144	12.1 Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of June 21, 2023
145	Motion: To approve the Non-Public Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2023 as presented.
146	Motioned: Vice-Chair Sununu
147	Seconded: Selectman Maggiore
148	Vote: Motion approved 3-0
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150	Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board
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152	Second Public Comment Session
153	No Public Comments.
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155	Next Regular Meeting: July 10, 2023
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157	Chairman Pinette adjourned the meeting at 7:37 pm.
158	Respectfully submitted,
150	Patricia Denmark Recording Secretary