

## TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

SELECT BOARD MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2018
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL
233 ATLANTIC AVENUE
4:00 O'CLOCK PM

NON PUBLIC SESSION I: 4:00 O'CLOCK P.M. EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM TOWN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE 233 ATLANTIC AVENUE

1. 4:00 p.m. <u>Call to Order</u>

2. 4:01 p.m. Non-Public Session I Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a,b)

3. 9:37 p.m. Reconvening of Public Session

Chair Maggiore called the meeting to order at 9:37PM. Those in attendance were Selectman Miller, Selectwoman Kilgore and Interim Town Administrator Tully.

Motion by Selectman Miller to seal the minutes from Non-Public Session I Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a). Seconded by Selectwoman Kilgore. Motion carries 3-0.

Chair Maggiore stated that there was business to attend to regarding the choice of whether the Town should put Keno on the warrant and official ballot.

## 4. New Business

4.1 Discussion of Keno

Selectwoman Kilgore stated that she believes the decision of whether to allow Keno in North Hampton should be decided by the people.

Chair Maggiore Stated he is against Keno in North Hampton and will vote not to recommend but that he agrees that the ultimate decision should be made by the people.

Selectman Miller discussed the fact there has not been a lot of time to make the decision and believes it requires more research.

Further discussion ensued where all three Select Board members agreed they would not vote to recommend Keno to the public and that a better path was to hold off for a year and study the effects positive and negative that the legislation has on other communities.

Motion by Chair Maggiore not to add a warrant article for Keno on the ballot due to a lack of time to properly investigate it. Seconded by Selectwoman Kilgore. Motion carries 3-0.

## 5. Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board

Chair Maggiore asked if there was any further business to be completed by the Board. Selectwoman Kilgore stated she would like to discuss the Economic Development Committee survey which is being completed through the UNH survey center. She stated that information for how the survey is being constructed has come forward and she has concerns it is more of a Planning Board survey than an Economic Development survey. She also discussed her reservations of how the sub-committee to determine the questions was seated and that when she questioned this she was guaranteed she would have input on the final decision. In lieu of that, the work has now been moved up on the schedule very quickly. Selectwoman Kilgore also stated that the questions on the survey are leading and instead of being scientific are regurgitated from the Planning Boards Survey Monkey questions.

Chair Maggiore questioned whether the questions came from the Planning Board survey and stated that after the Planning Board survey the Planning Board could not get consensus on the survey due to it not being scientific. He does not want that to occur again and questioned why are we spending \$6,000 for a survey if the questions are leading?

Selectwoman Kilgore answered because the sub-committee determined the questions with only guidance from the professional from UNH. Further she stated the questions should not be leading questions and she is not comfortable with them.

Selectman Miller asked what can be done to fix this? If you dongt want to stop this, how does it bind our hands?

Chair Maggiore answered he didnot want to stop it; I just want them to do it the right way.

Selectwoman Kilgore stated something needs to be done, I have sent my concerns to the EDC Chair.

Chair Maggiore stated he is willing to accept a clean survey but that requires clean questions. He went on to ask if we can find out if UNH is scrubbing the questions for a sterile survey?

Selectwoman Kilgore stated she will look into it.

Selectman Miller asked if both Mr. Maggiore and Mrs. Kilgore agree that the survey should be altered?

Chair Maggiore stated he believes we hired a professional to assure we are getting sterile questions. Selectwoman Kilgore agreed.

Selectman Miller stated that the EDC needs to be clear with the Boards stated expectations.

## 6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 PM.

Respectfully, Michael J. Tully