

1 2 3 TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE 4 NORTH HAMPTON SELECT BOARD REGULAR MEETING 5 **FEBRUARY 11, 2019** 7:00 PM 6 **NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL** 7 **APPROVED MINUTES** 8 9 SELECT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jim Maggiore, Vice-Chairman Kathleen Kilgore, Member 10 Larry Miller 11 12 ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator Bryan Kaenrath, Rockingham Planning Commission Director Tim 13 Roache, Aquarion Operations Manager Carl McMorran and Director of Engineering & Planning Dan 14 Lawrence, Fire Chief Michael J. Tully, Police Chief Kathryn Mone, Cable Director John Savastano 15 16 **AGENDA** 17 18 Chairman Jim Maggiore welcomed everyone to the February 11, 2019 Select Board Meeting, and said they 19 were reconvening after a public presentation of Document Management starting at 6:00 pm. He called 20 the meeting to order at 7:04 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. 21 22 **First Public Comment Session** 23 A North Hampton resident said there were questions and concerns about Ballot Measure #13, the parcel 24 at 216 Atlantic Avenue recommended to be purchased by the Town for future use. She said there were 25 unanswered questions as to why the Town was looking to buy another land parcel when they already 26 owned the Homestead parcel. 27 28 Chairman Maggiore explained that normally during Public Comment they did not respond to questions. 29 Town Administrator Kaenrath stated that Selectman Miller had presented the information and points for 30 buying the property at the Deliberative Session. Ms. Margolis said her question was why not use the parcel 31 of land that the Town already owned. 32 33 Disclaimer – These minutes are prepared by the Recording Secretary within five (5) business days as required by 34 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: <a href="http://www.townhallstreams.com/towns/north\_hampton\_nh">http://www.townhallstreams.com/towns/north\_hampton\_nh</a>, and a DVD recording is available at the North Hampton Town Administrative Offices, 233 Atlantic Avenue, North Hampton, New Hampshire 03862.

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Chairman Maggiore suggested she contact Select Board members by email to answer her questions privately so it would not appear that the Select Board was advocating for something. He anyone who had a valid question could email one or all of them.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### <u>Tim Roache Introduction – Rockingham Planning Commission</u>

Tim Roache, Executive Director of the Rockingham Planning Commission, said he was there to introduce himself and talk about the Rockingham Planning Commission and how he appropriates retail planning for the organization. He said they were a resource for comments, a forum to help address issues that cross municipal boundaries, and a voice for the community. He said they maintained regional staff for land use planning, transportation planning, GIS mapping, and environmental issues, and said they could also be a voice at the State and federal level.

Director Roache said the biggest portion of their work was transportation planning which was 70% of their budget, and said they kept federal dollars flowing into New Hampshire and had to ensure that the 10-year plan process was enabled through NHDOT. He said they were looking at electricity aggregation, bringing communities together to purchase electricity as a group and save money, and they also looked for other opportunities to benefit towns and communities. He said they collected dues across 27 communities and used half of it to match grants, working with NHDOT, NHDES, and the Coastal Zone program, and tried to put the remaining dues into programs.

Chairman Maggiore said he would keep the Rockingham Planning Commission in mind to help effectuate their goals toward regionalization. Selectwoman Kilgore said they also provided assistance to the Economic Development Committee.

## **Aquarion Water Quarterly Update**

Chairman Maggiore stated that Operations Manager Carl McMorran and Director of Engineering & Planning Dan Lawrence of *Aquarion* would provide an update on Eversource Settlement Commitments made in 2017, PFAS monitoring and treatment evaluations, and on Well 22.

Operations Manager Carl McMorran updated <u>Eversource Settlement Commitments</u> and said the last 2018 quarterly report on Hydrant maintenance showed routine maintenance was done last year on the 149 hydrants in North Hampton. He said the Exeter Road Tank Project was looked at and alternate sites were evaluated, PFAS investigations continued with possible treatment options, and an update on Well 22 would be provided.

Mr. McMorran said under <u>PFAS Management</u> they were looking to minimize tap water PFAS levels by minimizing the use of Well 6 through source selection, and continue tap water and well monitoring. He said sentinel wells were put in along Mill Road to try to determine how PFAS was moving from known contamination sources on Lafayette Road. He said NHDES was also in the process of establishing some regulatory standards for some PFAS components.

Director of Engineering & Planning Dan Lawrence said he had done an analysis project in 2016-2017 which showed the media concentration and water quality in ground water needed to work together to select the best solution. He said they talked about granular activated carbon and ion exchange, and said a Bench Scale Test was done to determine the most appropriate media. He said they were working on a pilot at Well 6 alternating ion exchange and granular activated carbon in series, which would continue through March to try to estimate annual operating costs.

Mr. Lawrence said for the Exeter Road Tank they were looking at alternate sites and at putting an adjacent tank on the current site. He said they hoped decide this year and begin design and permitting, and begin construction in 2020. He said other projects included Water Treatment Upgrades and they were working on underground piping at the Mill Road WWTP and water treatment at Little River Road (Wells 7 and 22). He said Well 22 required a large groundwater withdrawal permit and was important for sustainability of supply to increase the rate base and stabilize water rates. Mr. McMorran provided a chart showing the relative capacity of Well 22 compared to other existing wells.

<u>Discussion</u>: Chairman Maggiore asked the meaning of "gallons used" on the chart and Mr. McMorran that was their way of accounting for water going in and out of their systems, with the larger numbers represented the well flushing in spring as part of hydro-maintenance.

Selectwoman Kilgore asked when they would reconvene a prior meeting with Aquarion to finish the Hydrant Report review. Town Administrator Kaenrath said it was a Water Commission meeting and he was unaware of any action by the Water Commission to review those documents. Chairman Maggiore said the letter of agreement did not specify the need for signing off or approving and he would get back with the Water Commission.

### **Consent Calendar**

Payroll Manifest of 01/28/19 in the amount of \$70,237.65

Payroll Manifest of 02/04/2019 in the amount of \$197,437.72

Accounts Payable Manifest of 02/05/2019 in the amount of \$93,269.914

**Motion:** Selectman Miller made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented, which was seconded by Selectwoman Kilgore. The Consent Calendar was approved by a vote of 3-0.

### **Correspondence** – None

### **Committee Updates**

Selectwoman Kilgore said the <u>Economic Development Committee</u> met February 6<sup>th</sup> and she was not in attendance. Mark Laliberte of the NH Department of Resources & Economic Development briefed the committee on departmental resources and how they could provide assistance moving forward. The committee voted unanimously to approve the report presented at the last Select Board meeting.

Chairman Maggiore said the <u>Heritage Commission</u> meeting would be held next week, and at the <u>Water</u> Commission meeting an update was provided with regard to a legal pending issue.

Selectman Miller said the <u>Budget Committee</u> met at both Town and School Deliberative Sessions and the Warrants were finalized, and said that would be the last Budget Committee meeting.

Cable Director John Savastano provided an update on <u>Channel 22</u>. He said they took apart the audio component of the broadcasting system and added a small amplifier. He said the sound was now louder than it needed to be and they would work to bring it down gradually.

#### **Report of the Town Administrator** – Bryan Kaenrath

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

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- 134 <u>Elections</u>: Municipal elections scheduled for March 12, 2019 8:00 am to 7:00 pm at the North Hampton
- 135 School
- 136 <u>Document Management System</u>: Second presentation by NE Document System scheduled for February
- 137 25, 2019 at 5:45 pm.
- 138 Next Regular Select Board Meeting: February 25, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall.

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Selectwoman Kilgore brought up the March meeting calendar and said she would be unavailable March 25<sup>th</sup> and asked if the meeting could be moved to March 27, 2019. The Board was in agreement.

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Chairman Maggiore said he would be working on Election Day, but per RSA he would not be handling ballots. Selectwoman Kilgore said she would be working as well under the same parameters.

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Items left on the Table - None

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148 **NEW BUSINESS** 

# 149 Hampton Rod & Gun Club Remediation

- Town Administrator Kaenrath said he met with Muriel Robinette from GZA who gave a brief overview of deficiencies found. He said he would take their comments and those of GZA and submit them to NHDES.
- 152 Ms. Robinette did say there needed to be more of a timeline on remediation process.

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Chairman Maggiore said he had spoken with Chairman of the Water Commission Tim Harned about the process and he would follow up with him. Town Administrator Kaenrath said he would remind the Conservation Commission again.

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**Lighting Assessment and Energy Efficiency Grant Proposal** 

Fire Chief Michael Tully said as part of a grant incentive program on Energy Management he had toured all Town buildings with a representative from AECOM to see where they could make changes and be more energy efficient with LED lighting. He said the total cost, including labor, to do all the buildings would be \$29,344.66, of which Eversource would pay half with an estimated annual savings of \$5,700. He suggested paying for the project out of this year's budget.

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Selectman Miller suggested the approval of the project be added to the agenda for the next meeting so they could make a decision.

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Selectwoman Kilgore said they should have 3 quotes, and Chief Tully said there was only one electric company and they would take the subcontractors.

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- 91-A Orientation Program Discussion
- Selectwoman Kilgore said about a month ago they had discussed their challenges with RSA 91-A and agreed they would set up an orientation of 91-A requirements. Town Administrator Kaenrath said NHMA was the logical entity to do that.

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176 Chairman Maggiore said that NHMA had a new Executive Director Margaret Burns, who was one of 2
177 lawyers on staff and also provided webinars and presentations for 91-A. He said he asked about scheduling
178 a few Right-to-Know meetings, with the option to have one themselves or work with other communities
179 to do a larger one, and said they talked about doing them after the election.

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**Review of Select Board Annual Goals** 

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182 Town Administrator Kaenrath went through the goals and updated the status.

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- 184 **Finance:** Early Audit completed and time sheets revised.
- 185 Facilities
- 186 Town Hall Septic completed and renovations underway; upstairs storage area only option for dedicated
- 187 Assessors space.
- 188 Chevalier Building Reconfiguration of front desk area not worth the disruption
- 189 Police/Fire/Security Project complete, water issues repaired and damage corrected, window cleaning
- 190 ongoing.
- 191 Stone Building Exterior painted, recommendation to repair two fan windows over the next 2 years,
- working with John Hubbard on moving basement drainage.
- 193 *Homestead Property* Debris removed from property, paving stones cleaned.
- 194 Town Signs New signs are in, Exeter Road post temporarily repaired.
- 195 **Fire Department:** Painting done, Dispatch relocated.
- 196 Chief Tully said that Dispatch was moved to the front of the station and a professional environment was
- set up. He said Will Taber led the renovation and designed the construction with everyone pitching in to help.
- 199 Emergency Management: Chief Tully said Combined Police Department/Fire Department drills would
- continue, with money in the budget to cover one drill. Joe Manzi offered to teach Babysitting Classes at
- the School, with more being scheduled for spring.
- 202 Eversource Information Request Chief Tully discussed Town power outages with Eversource due to
- 203 problems with the last big outage. The percentage of the Town out of power could be determined but not
- where the outages were located, and conversations were ongoing.
- 205 Public Works: Recycling Center roof scheduled for spring, street lights complete, working on master
- building list. Town maintenance projects to be done this year.
- 207 Little Boars Head: No update on sidewalk lighting.
- 208 Philbrick Pond Study: Study completed, will discuss access road at Annual Board of Selectmen Meeting
- in spring. Sewer line not looked at yet, sidewalk rebuilt after storm damage, waiting on FEMA money.
- 210 **Police Department:** Interior painting completed, part-time Administrative Assistant hired, CBA completed
- and pending voter approval.
- 212 Police Chief Kathryn Mone said the administrative position was in the next budget and she would start
- advertising after its passage. She said the chief search was complete and the department was fully staffed.
- 214 She said the issue of body cameras was in CIP and was still in the research phase.

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- 216 <u>IT Tablets:</u> High-end user replacement plan with units rotated off every year continuing.
- 217 Office 365: Cloud conversion occurred last year.
- 218 Phone System: No issues, research lifespan.
- 219 <u>Finance Printer</u>: Replaced and records management at the Police Department.

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- 221 **Personnel:** Review all policies and organize personnel policy with possible updates.
- 222 Selectwoman Kilgore recommended sending this out to RFP as they did not have the expertise and there
- were benefits to having a total review. Chairman Maggiore said this was last done in 2012 by Phil Wilson,
- 224 who has an extensive Human Resources background, working with the Town Administrator and the
- department heads.

- 227 Selectwoman Kilgore asked Police Chief Mone what she thought about have someone professional come
- in and review their personnel policies to make sure they meet State Laws. Police Chief Mone said she

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would start with Primex to review some of the higher liability positions and give some advice. She said their lawyers could come in and look at what policies needed updating.

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Chairman Maggiore said he would ask NHMA for professional recommendations. Town Administrator Kaenrath said there would also be a cost to that and they were planning to do it in-house. He said work on job descriptions was currently in progress as well as the creation of an administrative book on positions with job procedures and processes.

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- 237 Ordinance Book: Needs to be organized.
- 238 <u>Organizational Chart</u>: Selectwoman Kilgore said one was started but never finalized. She said the goal is
- to flow-chart the organizational structure of Town personnel and how they report in.
- 240 <u>Update Employee Evaluation of TA</u>: Chairman Maggiore said of the 25-member NHMA Board, 18 were
- town administrators and he would ask them for best practices.
- 242 <u>Administrative Part-time Receptionist</u>: Town Administrator Kaenrath said there was a need for a part-time
- receptionist who could also be the minutes clerk. Chairman Maggiore recommended waiting until the end
- of the fiscal year.
- 245 <u>Document Management System</u>: Presentations in progress with two more coming up.
- 246 Wage Range Analysis: Potential RFP item.
- 247 <u>Gym Memberships/Stipends for Town Employees</u>: Selectwoman Kilgore suggested this be combined with
- Town policy reviews.
- 249 <u>Master List of Inventories-Assets</u>: Selectwoman Kilgore said a fixed list of all Town assets needed to be
- 250 logged and tracked.
- 251 <u>Town Flag</u>: On the ballot
- 252 Cell Tower: Town Administrator Kaenrath said Centennial Hall was talking with Verizon about getting a
- co-locater in the Cupola which would improve cell service vastly in the Town.
- 254 Recreation Department: Revolving account financial status has improved.
- 255 <u>Portable Ice Rink</u>: Installed on Homestead Property.
- 256 <u>Communications/Minutes Clerk</u>: Continue to evaluate along with part-time receptionist.
- 257 Joint Meeting with School Board: Not completed.
- 258 Video Friday Folders: Cable Director Savastano said he was thinking about podcasts and radio Friday
- 259 folders, also a village cam with time, temperature, and weather.
- 260 <u>Joint Meeting with Budget Committee</u>: Done
- 261 Town Clerk: Need list and updates on tax agreements and on policies and procedures on taxpayer
- agreements.

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### **Acceptance of the Minutes of Prior Meetings**

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- Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 14, 2019
- **Motion:** To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 14, 2019, as amended below:
  - 1) Insert copy of Town Administrator Report
    - 2) Add copies of letters of correspondence
    - 3) Insert disclaimers
- 271 Motioned: Selectwoman Kilgore
- 272 **Seconded:** Selectman Miller
- 273 **Vote:** Approved as amended by a vote of 3-0

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## Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 28, 2019

Postponed due to video malfunction at the beginning of the meeting. Also need to add Town Administrator Report and disclaimers. **Non-Public Session of January 28, 2019** tabled.

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- 279 Approval of June 15, 2017 Non-Public Session Minutes
- Motion by Selectwoman Kilgore to *approve* the *June 15, 2017 Non-Public Session Minutes*; seconded by Selectman Miller; approved 3-0.
- Motion by Selectwoman Kilgore to *unseal* the minutes of *June 15, 2017 Non-Public Session*; seconded by Selectman Miller; approved 3-0.

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- 285 Approval of June 12, 2017 Non-Public Session-I Minutes
- Motion by Selectwoman Kilgore to *approve* the *June 12, 2017 Non-Public-I Session Minutes*; seconded by Selectman Miller; approved 3-0.

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- Approval of June 12, 2017 Non-Public Session-II Minutes
- Motion by Selectwoman Kilgore to *approve* the *June 12, 2017 Non-Public Session-II Minutes*; seconded by Selectman Miller; approved 3-0.

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- Any Other Item that may legally come before the Board
- Chairman Maggiore asked that reducing the speed limit on Route 1B, Ocean Boulevard, from the Hampton town line to Rye, down to 25 for summer season be added to the agenda for the next meeting, as approval by the Board was required.

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**Second Public Comment Session** 

Ms. Pohl said she thought the purpose of 91-A training was for newly elected officials. Selectwoman Kilgore said she thought it needed to be for everyone, and any board or committee members needed to attend. She said there have been challenges meeting the requirements of 91-A which is a State Law enforceable by fines to the Town and individuals.

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Ms. Pohl also asked if the Town was responsible for paying the difference in the wages of persons on reserve between their reserve pay and there salary here. Chief Tully said the contract between the North Hampton Professional Firefighters and the Town of North Hampton gave them 10 days where they make up the difference in pay.

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309 **Next Meeting:** The regular Select Board Meeting is scheduled for February 25, 2019.

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- 311 Adjournment
- 312 Chairman Maggiore adjourned the meeting at 9:14 pm.

- 314 Respectfully submitted,
- 315 Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary