



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

**FEBRUARY 28, 2022 7:00 PM**

**NORTH HAMPTON TOWN HALL**

***Approved March 14, 2022***

SELECT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Jim Maggiore, Vice Chairman James Sununu, Selectman Jonathan Pinette

ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator Michael Tully, Recreation Director Joe Manzi

**AGENDA**

Chairman Jim Maggiore welcomed everyone to the February 28, 2022 North Hampton Select Board Meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Coming from Non-Public with intent to seal:

**Motion:** To seal the Minutes of the Non-Public Meeting of February 28, 2022.

**Motioned:** Vice-Chair Sununu

**Seconded:** Selectman Pinette

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

**First Public Comment Session**

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

No public comment.

**Consent Calendar**

- 5.1 Payroll Manifest of February 17, 2022 in the amount of \$70,862.71
- 5.2 Payroll Manifest of February 24, 2022 in the amount of \$72,298.70
- 5.3 Accounts Payable Manifest of February 17, 2022 in the amount of \$1,057,413.62
- 5.4 Veterans Exemptions

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**Motion:** To approve Consent Calendar items 5.1 – 5.4 as presented.

**Motioned:** Selectman Pinette

**Seconded:** Vice-Chair Sununu

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

### **Correspondence**

#### 6.1 Correspondence from State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation

February 11, 2022 re North Hampton Project 42979 NHDOT Bridge Rehabilitation Program for I-95 Exit 2 bridge over I-95 and Town of North Hampton; replace bridge deck and supports, bituminous overlay of bridge approaches, repair of concrete median, and change approach to 1.8:1 stone slope; construction 2022-2023.

#### 6.2 Correspondence from Aquarion Water Company: Carl McMorran, Operations Manager

Aquarion performing Source Water Wellhead Inspections to minimize contamination risks to public water supply including portions of the Town of North Hampton; conducted every 3 years.

#### 6.3 Correspondence from Joe Fitzgerald

February 28, 2022 re New Safety Building: (1) tax increase of \$0.39-\$0.40/1,000; (2) Bond costs of \$232,699 for 30 years, what is rate; (3) inflation of 7.5% - 10% increases building costs, is \$9.3 Mil cost guaranteed; (4) fuel at \$4.00/gal, increased maintenance/insurance costs, and hiring new employees all need to be addressed by Selectmen.

Vice-Chair Sununu said \$9.3 Mil is not the price of this project, it is \$8.4 Mil with a 10% contingency built in the price and inflationary trends taken into account; electricity, maintenance/insurance costs will probably be less; letter actually argues in favor of going ahead with the project. Selectman Pinette agreed inflation and rising prices right now are a good point to move forward with the project ASAP. Town Administrator Tully said that no new employees will be hired.

### **Committee Updates**

Chairman Maggiore said he missed the *Heritage Commission* meeting and has no update; for *Water Commission* nothing new beyond current cases.

Vice-Chair Sununu said he has no update on *Rails to Trails Committee*.

### **Report of the Town Administrator**

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

Report from February 15 – February 25, 2022: Budget remaining 33% with 18 weeks left in fiscal year; Firefighter Luke Denio completed paramedics course and will test in March; Recreation Department position open; culvert on Route 1 undermining road and District is aware; PFAS currently being put together for a Grant application; 2 large shipping hubs being considered for Pease Tradeport which would increase air and vehicular traffic to the seacoast area; Town-wide cleanup day being planned with School Curriculum Coordinator and Director Hubbard.

**Items Left on the Table** – None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**10.1 Presentation of Centennial Hall Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

Chairman Maggiore said the purpose of the MOU is to promote the framework, goals, and objectives for any future use of Centennial Hall, with Friends of Centennial Hall and Town of North Hampton working together closely.

Town Administrator Tully said this was started a year ago and sidetracked by COVID; Attorneys on both sides think this is an excellent agreement and both parties are happy with the arrangement. He explained that an MOU is an understanding between parties on how things will be handled, allowing us to use the Centennial Hall space.

Recreation Director Joe Manzi said he assumed the Board had a chance to look at this MOU and the language, and said both sides are excited to get this going and schedule activities and programs to further highlight the great treasure Centennial Hall is to the Town of North Hampton.

**Motion:** To approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and the Release & Indemnity Agreement as presented.

**Motioned:** Vice-Chair Sununu

**Seconded:** Selectman Pinette

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

**10.2 Approval of Recommendation to Recreation Commission**

Recreation Director Manzi said the Recreation Commission voted unanimously to recommend Peter Brogowski to fill the open appointment on the Recreation Commission, and they are excited to get him onboard.

**Motion:** To approve Peter Brogowski for the open position on the Recreation Commission; expiration March of 2023.

**Motioned:** Vice-Chair Sununu

**Seconded:** Selectman Pinette

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

**10.3 Discussion of Critical Flood Risk Infrastructure Grant Program**

Town Administrator Tully said the Town completed studies in 2016-2017 to see what could be done to lessen the impact of flooding and chose to replace the Cobble Weir on the Philbrick Pond Marsh to improve the health of the marsh rather than raise a road. He said this Critical Flood Risk Infrastructure Grant Program is open to 42 Seacoast New Hampshire towns for planning and construction for shovel-ready plans due by April, and the Town has already put the work into possibly raising Old Locke Road. Spoke with Conservation Commission and Craig Musselman who fully support this and feel it will score highly. Part of the road is in the Town of Rye and they will bring this up to their Board.

Town Administrator Tully said the Grant is 100% with no match needed from the Town. As part of the Philbrick Pond study the section of Olde Locke Road which needed to be lifted was identified, the type of culvert needed, and support from local businesses is expected. He said the road caves in the middle and will be lifted to be straight from crest to crest, and he thinks Rye will want to work with us to remedy this.

**Motion:** To authorize the Town Administrator to pursue the Critical Flood Risk Infrastructure Grant Program application and sign any documentation to submit such grant.

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**Motioned:** Vice-Chair Sununu

**Seconded:** Selectman Pinette; with understanding time to be spent on this also approved

Town Administrator Tully asked for a letter of support from the Board to accompany the application, and hoped the Town of Rye would do the same. Selectman Pinette asked about the timeframe and Town Administrator Tully said by April 12, 2022 with \$4.5 Mil available between the 42 towns.

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

## **MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS**

### **11.1 Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes February 14, 2022**

**Motion:** To accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2022 as presented.

**Motioned:** Selectman Pinette

**Seconded:** Vice-Chair Sununu

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

### **11.2 Approval of the Non-Public Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2022**

**Motion:** To accept the Non-Public Meeting Minutes of February 14, 2022 as presented

**Motioned:** Selectman Pinette

**Seconded:** Vice-Chair Sununu

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

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

Chairman Maggiore said Election Day is coming up next Tuesday and the Board is required by Statute to be available. He said as his name is on the Ballot he will be unable to handle ballots. Town Administrator Tully said he could fill in for any Selectman that needs to leave.

### **Second Public Comment Session**

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No public comment.

**Next Regular Meeting:** March 14, 2022.

### **Adjournment**

Chairman Maggiore adjourned the meeting at 7:41 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary