

Town of Hampstead
Board of Selectmen
MEETING MINUTES
May 9, 2022

Members Present: Selectman Guthrie, Selectman Murphy, Selectman Warnock, and Selectman Worthen (Selectman Morse, absent)

Public Announcements

1. Waste Oil car batteries, and thermostats are collected at the Town Garage on the First and Third Saturday of the month from 8 am to 1 pm.
2. Monday, May 30th at 10:00 am- The Memorial Day Observance at the Meetinghouse Park bandstand

Visitors Comments

There were none

Department Heads

Police Department- Chief Beaudoin announced that the grant for a K-9 program was approved, and actually they increased the amount to \$32,000. He passed along a thank you to the Board of Selectmen from Officer Wilson for giving him this opportunity. Chief Beaudoin noted that it is expected that his training will begin in September.

New Business

There was none

Old Business

There was none

Liaison Reports

M. Worthen- He noted that the Recreation Dept was looking to get a cost estimate for doing some painting repair at the town gym.

J. Guthrie- He reported that he attended the Executive Council meeting and that they approved the contract for the service provider for Hampstead Hospital, but has heard there are still some issues on the provider's contract.

L. Warnock- Wednesday/Thursday is the meeting in person with the PUC (Public Utilities) on the rate increases with HAWC (Hampstead Area Water Company). She also reported that there were some tweaks to the agreement with HAWC on a fire suppression plan in that HAWC would not be providing the service of plowing and that the town would need to do so. There was a concern with the Fire Department that the current Forestry vehicle would not be able to do the plowing due to the shape it was in. It was also noted that the Highway Department would be busy plowing roads, and may not have the time to do it.

M. Worthen reported that he had a request from the Fire Chief to use some funds in his budget and also asked for ARPA funds to be allocated to purchase a new Forestry Vehicle. Based on the current state bid, the cost would be about \$52k total and he may have 43k in his budget. There was some disagreement from J. Guthrie that the Chief should look at 100% ARPA funds instead of

drawing it off his budget. It was also noted that there was time to discuss this and the second round of ARPA funds hasn't come up yet.

AA Report

Master Plan Meeting

S. Theriault reported that she attended the Master Plan committee meeting last Thursday night. There were several residents who attended the meeting who had not been present at previous meetings. The purpose was to identify goals that were favorable as well as to comment on the goals.

ARPA Funds update

S. Theriault sent letters notifying the health agencies that were approved for ARPA funds, that in order to release ARPA funds she would need additional information. So far Community Caregivers and Isaiah 58 have already submitted the requested information to receive the funds.

2021 Audit

The Auditors will be in the office for several days this week working on the 2021 audit.

Meeting minutes

The meeting minutes of April 11th have been signed by a majority of the Selectman and are ready for approval. There are also some nonpublic meeting minutes that need to be signed, which can be done at the end of the meeting.

M. Worthen made the motion to approve the minutes of April 11, 2022 with a second by J. Guthrie.

Roll Call Vote: 4-0-0 Motion Passed

Selectman Guthrie: Yes

Selectman Warnock: Yes

Selectman Morse: Absent

Selectman Worthen: Yes

Selectman Murphy: Yes

Activity Log

The activity log was reviewed with no changes.

Appointments

Budget Committee- There was a request to appoint Lewis Eaton as an alternate to the Budget Committee and to appoint Jessica Daly as a member of the Budget Committee from T. Lovell, Budget Committee Chairman. Mr. Eaton would be a three-year term and Ms. Daly would be a one-year term- to the next election in March.

Motion was made by J. Guthrie to appoint Lewis Eaton as an alternate Budget Committee member and Jessica Daly as a full member. The motion was seconded by M. Worthen.

Roll Call Vote: 4-0-0 Motion Passed

Selectman Guthrie: Yes

Selectman Warnock: Yes

Selectman Morse: Absent

Selectman Worthen: Yes

Selectman Murphy: Yes

Correspondence

There were none

Visitors Comments

L. Warnock noted that there was an accident today at Main Street/Depot Road/East Derry Road. She asked what the process would be to get lights at that intersection. Chief Beaudoin spoke to the

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issue and stated that he could request the State of NH to do a study again to see if the area qualified. He noted that Main Street and East Derry Road are both State Roads and under their jurisdiction. It would also cost the town funds to put the lights up, if so approved. The last set of lights, the town was required to pay 50% of the cost. There was also a discussion on putting a blinking red stop sign, but we aren't allowed to put it on the State of NH property without permission.

The Selectmen agreed to allow Chief Beaudoin to submit a request to ask the State of NH to consider doing a study on that intersection, and/or permission to put up the blinking stop sign.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:22 pm by J. Guthrie and a second by M. Worthen

Roll Call Vote: 4-0-0

Selectman Guthrie: Yes

Selectman Warnock: Yes

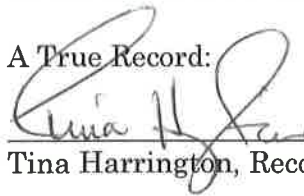
Selectman Morse: Absent

Selectman Worthen: Yes

Selectman Murphy: Yes

At the end of the meeting the Selectmen met with Town Counsel to discuss cell tower leases.

A True Record:



Tina Harrington, Recording Secretary

Approved By:

Selectman Guthrie:



Selectman Morse:

Selectman Murphy:



Selectman Warnock:



Selectman Worthen:



ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT'S REPORT

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Activity Log
Scope Change Log

Project Manager: Sally Theriault
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