

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES  
June 11, 2012**

**PRESENT:** SEAN P. MURPHY, CHAIRMAN; RICHARD H. HARTUNG, SELECTMAN; PRISCILLA R. LINDQUIST, SELECTMAN; SALLY THERIAULT, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

**6:45 Meeting with potential members of the Facilities Committee**

Mr. Paul Murphy was present to express his interest in being a member of the Town Facilities Committee. The Committee will work with Steve Harms, Buildings and Grounds Department Head. Mr. Neil Lynch also expressed an interest, as did Chief Michael Carrier. Selectman Lindquist said that the Chief could serve even though he is not a resident because it is an Ad-Hoc Committee. We have others on Ad Hoc Committees that are not residents and that has been confirmed by the LGC.

**Pledge to the Flag**

Public Announcements

- Starting June 20<sup>th</sup> civil forfeitures will be assessed on unlicensed dogs. Please contact the Town Clerk Tax Collector's office to pay the fine or advise if your dog is deceased.
- Thursday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, Recycling and Solid Waste educational meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Town Office Building.
- Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> is the community shredding day at the Civic Club from 9- noon with donations to Hampstead Firemen's Assoc.
- Tuesday, June 26 at 6:00 the Meetinghouse Park Summer Concert Series begins with the John Penny Band and The Reminisants.
- Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup> the Kent Farm Facility is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A sticker is required and may be obtained from the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office during regular business hours.
- Waste Oil, fluorescent light bulbs, car batteries and thermostats are collected at the Town Garage on the first and third Saturdays of the month 8 am to 1 pm. Books may be dropped off at anytime.

Visitors Comment

None

Department Heads

Chairman Murphy changed the order of the agenda in order to allow Mr. Lovell speak on both the Lew Property and the Kent Farm parcel.

- Lew parcel – Conservation Commission

Mr. Lovell stated that the Conservation Commission had its public hearing on June 5, 2012. A vote had been taken to go forward with the purchase of the Lew Property, which was 5-0 for a

purchase price of \$85,000. The Commission would like a P&S agreement for Mr. Lew to purchase the property. As a contingency, the Commission will require that they investigate the parcel for unwanted or hazardous items. There is a stream that runs through the property and this would be a great inclusion to the wildlife corridor.

**Selectman Hartung made a motion to approve the purchase of the Lew Parcel for \$85,000. The money will come from the Conservation Commission's Land Purchase account. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0.**

- **Kent Farm Parcel – Conservation Commission**

Mr. Lovell read a statement that was written by the Commission as it relates to the Kent Farm parcel:

We are against the Town selling their assets to resolve budget problems and that this should not be done. The Committee feels the property does not have great conservation value but we feel the property is more valuable as a bargaining chip in getting a greater buffer around Shop Pond or the Moore Property.  
5-0 in favor of statement.

The Conservation Commission would prefer to barter.

When Mr. Lovell was asked if the "retention was in the best interest of the Town" he said that this is not a critical conservation parcel. Conservation would like to consider a land swap. Selectman Lindquist said that this couldn't be done without Town vote. Selectman Hartung said that Town counsel advised that this option could be considered since the attorney said that the Board has some latitude. Mr. Lovell said that the Commission was interested in a land swap and some financial incentive as well. Chairman Murphy said that this could be part of the sale. Mr. Lovell added that the Kent Farm parcel is not critical and that it doesn't need to be retained except as a bargaining chip. Selectman Lindquist reiterated that the sale by Selectmen must be by sealed bid or auction and that if there is a swap that would have to go to Town Meeting. Selectman Hartung said that the sealed bid proposal could include a certain number of dollars and land swap options.

The Board of Selectmen decided to allow a 90 day time period in which Mr. Lovell and Chairman Murphy could work with Tel Noar to discuss a land swap or other mutually agreed to arrangement.

### New Business

- Update of Welfare guidelines

Mr. Nikki Carr, Human Services Coordinator updated the Welfare Guidelines and provided copies to the Board. Some language was changed as were the limits for assistance. There are "not to exceed" limits and should be updated every year or two. Ms. Carr provided the research that she conducted to come up with the new figures.

The Board of Selectmen had no questions concerning the updates.

Selectman Hartung made a motion to update the Welfare Guidelines for the Human Services Department. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0.

Selectman Hartung made a motion to update the allowable levels of assistance payments. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0.

- Open RFP for fire suppression

Granite State, Moultonboro, NH .....	\$38,500
Superior Fire Protection, Hooksett, NH.....	\$45,400

Selectman Hartung made a motion to pass the proposals along to the Fire Chief for his recommendation. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion. Vote : 3-0-0

- Open RFP for tanker

KME Fire Apparatus,.....	\$324,686 (trade in \$5K?)
HME – Ahren.....	...\$339,758 (trade in 14K)

Selectman Hartung made a motion to pass the proposals along to the Fire Chief for his recommendation. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion. Vote : 3-0-0

**Liaisons Reports**

Selectman Hartung reported that the transfer station is doing a pretty good job and abiding by the safety requirements. He has a Hazmat meeting on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

Selectman Hartung made a motion to appoint Jonathan Houde as a fulltime fire fighter. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0.

It was decided that Chief Carrier would make a recommendation after he had an opportunity to examine his department's budget in greater detail.

Selectman Hartung said that the Fire Chief,s appointment time is coming close and he would like to start a discussion concerning a three year appointment. The three year term would begin July 1, 2012, and extend through June 30, 2015. Selectman Hartung said he is very satisfied with his work and he is relocating closer to Hampstead.

**Activity Log**

Mrs. Theriault reviewed the activity log..

**Re- Appointments/Appointments**

Selectman Hartung made a motion to appoint Paul Murphy, Neil Lynch and Michael Carrier as members of the Town Facilities Committee for the Town of Hampstead for a three-year term. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Appointment papers will be drafted for the Board to sign.

Selectman Hartung made a motion to adjourn. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion. Vote: 3-0-0.

Looking for candidates

- Ordway Park, full members and alternates – monthly meetings
- Cable Committee volunteers – monthly meetings
- Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee – monthly meetings
- Town Facilities Committee
- Scenic Byways project
- Hampstead Police Building Committee. There have been a couple of resignations and the committee has not been able to reach a quorum. More members are needed.
- Rockingham Planning Commission member

Correspondence

Visitors Comments

Future Agenda Item

- Energy Committee
- Hampstead Senior Committee
- Town Administrator

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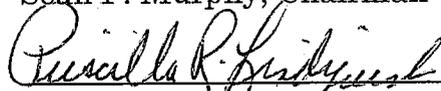


Sally Theriault, Administrative Assistant

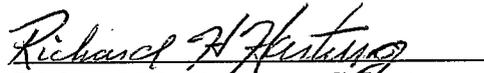
Approved By:



Sean P. Murphy, Chairman



Priscilla R. Lindquist, Selectman



Richard H. Hartung, Selectman