

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WORK SESSION MINUTES**
May 28, 2014

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

Visitors: J. Worthen, K. Emerson, and P. Williams (Tri Town News)
The work session was called to order at 8:00 pm

Mrs. Theriault asked for a work session with the Selectmen, Kris Emerson (Chief Building Official) and Jon Worthen (Road Agent). The purpose of the work session was to talk with the Selectmen about the work that may be coming forward with the revised MS4 Permit for the EPA. Mrs. Theriault stated that as of right now the Town of Hampstead has filed the permit for 2014 but the options for going forward need to be reviewed. It is expected that the EPA will publish the new permit soon and we will need to comply with the regulations set forth. Mrs. Theriault asked around area towns to see what they were doing and who was doing what for the EPA permit. There was a mixture of Town Managers, Town Administrators, and Engineers (either Town or contracted). She noted that we had four choices: 1) employees with the knowledge to do the work in their area, 2) combination of employees and contractor, 3) Contractor handle, or 4) contact RPC to see if they can help. Mrs. Theriault recently met with the Plaistow Town Manager and they are testing the inflows and outflows (one of the requirements) annually at a cost of about \$8,000 to \$12,000. Selectman Lindquist asked if we knew where they all were and Mr. Worthen responded that he does and they are marked on the town maps. But he noted that about 99% of the catch basins come in and under the road. Not all the catch basins flow into one unit, but there are a few that are connected such as Shop Pond to Center Market. In Plaistow the Town Manager, Road Agent and Conservation Commission all do some of the work. Mr. Worthen said he doesn't mind doing whatever he needs to do in the field, but doesn't want to do the paperwork. Selectman Lindquist asked if Mrs. Theriault had spoken with RPC. Mrs. Theriault had not. She did however note that back on 7/8/2013, in her AA report she spoke about the ability for MS4 communities to get help from RPC for grants to deal with the new permit. There are a total of 60 towns in New Hampshire that fall into the "Clean Water Act" portion of the MS4- Stormwater permit. We believe we are considered part of the Portsmouth vicinity.

Last year the Town of Hampstead joined a group of other towns that hired an attorney to represent them during the public hearing of the new permits. Selectman Lindquist asked for the lawyers report. The town has also tried to get things going such as education, ordinances within the planning process (erosion control), updating the catch basins and now doing some of the testing to show the intent is there to comply with the changes.

The Selectmen agreed to move forward with the following:

- 1) Contact SFC Engineering to see what they can do and at what cost (ST)
- 2) Contact with Rockingham Planning Commission for any assistance (ST & RH)
- 3) Check with the Attorney hired by the group of towns to get any updates (ST)
- 4) Contact the Road Agent, Dan Garlington in Plaistow (JW)
- 5) Contact Paul Carideo and ask what he knows (JW)

Mr. Emerson noted that we don't know what we are up against and that we should start doing some of the testing requirements and the stenciling required at the catch basins. Mr. Emerson also noted that Dragon Mosquito Control is out there and may be able to spot issues where the

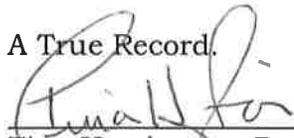
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water is. Mr. Worthen noted that we may need to verify what they are using in the traps to make sure it is not an issue as well.

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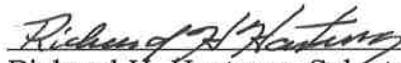


Tina Harrington, Recording Secretary

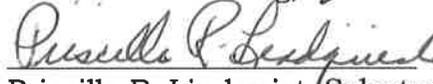
Approved By:



Sean P. Murphy, Chairman



Richard H. Hartung, Selectman



Priscilla R. Lindquist, Selectman