

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
July 28, 2014**

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

Visitors: Jim Foley, Senate candidate, Nicky O'Donnell, Recreation Commission, P. Williams (Tri Town News)

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm

Public Announcements

- Tuesday, July 29nd, The Don Campbell Band is performing at Meetinghouse Park starting at 6:00 p.m.
- Compost bins are available at the Town Offices. The cost for each bin is \$50 each.
- 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 anytime.

Visitors Comment

Mr. Jim Foley introduced himself as a candidate for the Senate. If elected he will rely on the Board of Selectmen to communicate issues that arise in Hampstead.

Department Heads

Recreation Commission- Town Beach Parking

Nicky O'Donnell from the Recreation Commission was present and advised of the three votes that were brought up at the last meeting and passed.

- The first vote was to increase the fine from \$20 to \$50 for not having a valid parking permit. Out of town beachgoers have to pay \$25 for the permit but only get fined \$20 if they don't have a sticker and that is why the fine should be increased.
- Effective next year, the beach sticker will have a place to write the license plate number of the vehicle. People are coming in and can buy a number of tickets for \$5 and then hand them out to non-residents.
- Also effective next year, the Commission decided to raise the out of town beach stickers from \$25 to \$40 since out-of-towners do not pay real estate taxes that support the operation of the beach.

Ms. O'Donnell handed out a warning flyer that will be placed on cars that are parked in the parking lots of the beach that do not have stickers. There are a number of people down at the beach who are parking there without stickers.

Chairman Murphy asked if the Commission was going to keep a log of vehicles that are parked at the beach without stickers, Ms. O'Donnell said ideally, yes. The Chairman further said that the while he understands the logic behind increasing the fees, a \$50 fine seems steep.

Selectman Lindquist said that after her talk with the Police Chief, the police have been issuing tickets and handed out four, all of which were for Hampstead residents. At the last meeting the Board voted not to increase the fine for the tickets. Before reconsidering, they should have a full board. The Board

members decided to table all of the Recreation Commission's concerns and table the three items brought up by the Commission at the next meeting.

Nicky further advised some playground equipment is in need of repair. The cost will be paid through operating budget and a donation by the mother's club.

New Business

Status of revaluation – Jeff Earls, CrossCountry

Mr. Earls advised that the revaluation is nearing completion. He provided the Board with a packet of information that included the old and new values as well as a letter to go out to residents. Mr. Earls was asked if Mr. Scott Marsh, Assessor, had been advised of the information contained in the packet. Mr. Earls said that he had been working with Scott all along and Scott is aware of the information. Generally, the commercial property (land) went up and the back lots from the waterfront have gone down.

Chairman Murphy made a motion to accept the proposed letter from Cross Country that is to be sent out as soon as possible. Selectman Lindquist seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

Old Business

Liaison Reports

Chairman Murphy

Chairman Murphy said that he visited the police station that is under construction, and things are moving along.

Selectman Lindquist

Selectman Lindquist also visited the new police station and mentioned that the grey vinyl siding looks good and is a better choice.

AA Report:

Permissible Fireworks Permit

Based on the discussion last week concerning the fireworks permit, Chief Carrier updated the existing permit and it includes details such as the current property owner, pertinent RSA and required signature lines.

Final Journal Entries

Chairman Murphy signed off on the final journal entries, which is a requirement to finalize the MS-5 that the auditors prepare.

Update Personnel Policy

The changes in the Personnel Policy have been "tracked" so you can see where changes were made. Highlighted items may need additional changes or discussion.

Consideration of Benefits to Part-time Employees

A Town Administrator from another town was requested by her BOS to send out a request on the list-serve for benefits provided to both full time and part time employees. Sally Theriault looked at the responses and noticed that out of 12 responses, 9 towns offer some kind of benefit time to the part time employees. Three towns did not, of which Hampstead was one. Hampstead has several non-union part time employees who have been working for the Town for many years. The Board suggested that Sally Theriault continue with researching benefit time and bring her finds back to the Board.

Minutes to be approved

Regular meeting minutes from June 9, and June 16, 2014 have been signed and were ready for the Board's approval.

Selectman Lindquist motioned to approve the minutes of June 9th and June 16th as amended. Chairman Murphy seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Activity Report

The activity log was not reviewed.

Re- Appointments/Appointments

Call for Candidates:

- o Ordway Park, full members and alternates – monthly meetings
- o Recycling and Waste Disposal Committee – monthly meetings

Correspondence

There was none.

Visitors Comments

There were none.

Selectman Lindquist made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Selectman Hartung seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

A True Record.



Sally Theriault, Administrative Assistant

Approved By:



Sean P. Murphy, Chairman

absent _____

Richard H. Hartung, Selectman



Priscilla R. Lindquist, Selectman