

*Town of Hampton, Connecticut
Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2013*

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A special meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Thursday, February 7, 2013 at the Town Hall.

Present for the Board: First Selectman Allan Cahill, Selectman Mike Chapel, Selectman Bob Grindle

Staff Present: Liz Stillman, Recording Secretary

ITEM 1: Call to Order: First Selectman Cahill called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ITEM 2: Audience for Citizens

None.

ITEM 3: Acceptance/ Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Selectmen Grindle moved to accept the January 7, 2013 minutes as written. Selectman Chapel seconded the motion. All in favor; motion passed.

ITEM 4: Liaison Reports

First Selectman Cahill stated that a report from the Public Works department had been received.

ITEM 5: Communications

None.

ITEM 6: Financial Report

Selectmen reviewed the Financial Reports for January 2013.

ITEM 7: Tax Collector Report

First Selectmen Cahill read the tax collector's report.

ITEM 8: Appointment(s)/ Term(s)

A. Green Energy Committee

B. MOTION: Selectmen Chapel/ Grindle moved/ seconded to appoint Rachel Girshick as a regular member to the Green Energy Committee with a term of two years. All in favor; motion passed.

C. Youth Sports

MOTION: Selectmen Grindle/ Chapel moved/ seconded to appoint Rachel Linkkila as a regular member and Chip Carney as an alternate to the Youth Sports Committee with a term ending 6/30/13. All in favor; motion passed.

ITEM 9: Board/ Committee/ Commission minutes/ reports to review

Selectmen reviewed minutes from January 2013.

ITEM 10: Old Business

None

ITEM 11: New Business

A. Resolution for Historic Documents Preservation Grant with the Connecticut State Library

MOTION: Selectmen Grindle/ Chapel moved/ seconded to resolve that Allan Cahill, First Selectman, is empowered to execute and deliver in the name and on behalf of this municipality a contract with the Connecticut State Library for an Historic Documents Preservation Grant. All in favor; motion passed.

B. Resolution for Grant Agreement and Conservation and Public Recreation Easement and Agreement under the Open Space and Watershed Acquisition Program with the State of Connecticut - Rita Edwards Preserve

MOTION: Selectmen Grindle/ Chapel moved/ seconded to resolve that Allan Cahill, First Selectman of the Town of Hampton is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Town of Hampton a Grant

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Agreement and Conservation and Public Recreation Easement and Agreement under the Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Program with the State of Connecticut for financial assistance to acquire permanent interest in land known as Rita Edwards Preserve (Cedar Swamp Road) Hampton, OSWA-454 and to manage said land as open space land pursuant to Section 7-131d of the Connecticut General Statutes. All in favor; motion passed.

C. Resolution for FY 2011 State Homeland Security Grant Program

MOTION: Selectmen Grindle/ Chapel moved/ seconded to resolve that the Board of Selectmen may enter into with and deliver to the State of Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security any and all documents which it deems to be necessary or appropriate; and further resolved, that Allan Cahill, as First Selectman of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and to do and perform all acts and things which he deems to be necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of such documents, including, but not limited to, executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by such documents. All in favor; motion passed.

D. Discuss and Act on Establishing Date, Time, Location and Call for a Special Town Meeting

MOTION: Selectmen Grindle/ Chapel moved/ seconded to table the discussion until the end of the meeting. All in favor; motion passed.

E. Discuss General Budget

First Selectman Cahill stated that information from the state was starting to come in that afternoon, and estimated \$360,000 in lost revenue to the town from car property tax if that proposal passes legislation.

Selectmen discussed salary adjustments to highway department and administrative assistant positions. A schedule for budget workshops will be arranged.

F. Auditor's Report

First Selectman Cahill stated that the town was in good shape and had a 20% surplus in the general fund.

G. Discuss and Act on CCM Prescription Drug Card Program

Selectmen will have a representative to do a presentation to the board/ town.

MOTION: Selectmen Grindle/ Chapel moved/ seconded to table discussion. All in favor; motion passed.

H. Discuss Land Acquisition (possible executive session anticipated)

A piece of property contiguous to the Town Hall property (about 20 acres) will be going up for tax sale.

MOTION: Selectmen Grindle/ Chapel moved/ seconded to discuss the possible land acquisition in executive session. All in favor; motion passed.

Board of Selectmen went in to Executive Session at 7:34pm.

MOTION: Selectmen Chapel/ Grindle moved/ seconded to come back in to regular session from executive session. All in favor; motion passed.

Board of Selectmen resumed regular session at 7:43pm.

MOTION: Selectmen Chapel/ Grindle moved/ seconded to pursue the purchase, not to exceed \$75,000, of a portion of the Parrow property up to 20 acres. All in favor; motion passed.

D. Discuss and Act on Establishing Date, Time, Location and Call for a Special Town Meeting (tabled from earlier in the meeting)

MOTION: Selectmen Chapel/ Grindle moved/ seconded to move the following questions to a Special Town Meeting February 19, 2013 at 7PM in the Community Room of the Town Hall.

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1. To hear discussion and act on the question of “Shall the Town of Hampton acquire a parcel of land approximately 51 acres currently owned by Michael D. Vadnais known as the Rita D. Edwards property for the sum of \$210,000 to be expended from the Town of Hampton’s Capital Non-Recurring Open Space Fund and \$101,500 reimbursed through the State of Connecticut DEEP Grant”.
2. To hear discussion and act on the question of “Shall the Town of Hampton transfer \$100,000 from the General Fund to Capital Non-Recurring Land Acquisition Fund for the purpose of purchasing two parcels up to 20 acres total, for up to \$75,000, from Ron Parrow”.
3. To hear discussion and act on the question of “Shall the Town of Hampton transfer \$100,000 from the General Fund to Capital Non-Recurring Building Fund for the purpose of finishing improvements at the Town Hall”.

All in favor; motion passed.

ITEM 12: Audience for Citizens

Vi Marquis asked about the school’s financial requests, and it was determined that it has been addressed by the Board of Finance.

ITEM 13: ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: There being no further business for the Board to discuss at this special meeting of the Board of Selectmen, Selectman Grindle/ Chapel moved/seconded to adjourn at 8:08 p.m; all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elizabeth Stillman
Recording Secretary