

## TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

September 20, 2010

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hampden Town Council was held on Monday, September 20, 2010. The meeting was held at the municipal building council chambers and was called to order by Mayor Arnett at 7:00 p.m.

**Attendance: Councilors:** Mayor Matt Arnett, Andre Cushing, Thomas Brann, William Shakespeare, Jean Lawlis and Janet Hughes

**Town Manager:** Susan Lessard

**Town Counsel:** Thomas Russell

**Department Heads/Staff:** None

### A. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Arnett requested that Item A.4.b. be set aside. Motion by Councilor Brann, seconded by Councilor Lawlis to accept the balance of the Consent Agenda – unanimous vote in favor.

A.4.b. Lura Hoit Pool Trustee Minutes 7/6/2010

Mayor Arnett requested that the Town Manager obtain more information regarding the situation at the pool involving 'boiler looping' that has resulted in higher fuel usage during the past month. Motion by Councilor Cushing, seconded by Councilor Hughes to accept Item A.4.b. – unanimous vote in favor.

### B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

### C. POLICY AGENDA

#### 1. PUBLIC HEARINGS

There were none.

#### 2. NOMINATIONS-APPOINTMENTS-ELECTIONS

The Town Manager noted that the Communications Committee had scheduled a Candidate Forum for Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. However, since 3 of the school board candidates had called to indicate that they would be unable to attend, we will be rescheduling that portion

of the forum for another date and will include State Senate and House candidates on that date as well. The Candidate Forum on 9/25 will include Council and Water District Candidates .

### **3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **a. BID RESULTS – 1990 FIRE TRUCK**

Motion by Councilor Shakespeare, seconded by Councilor Cushing to accept the Finance Committee recommendation that due to the low bids received, the Town retain this vehicle for back up use by the department on stand by calls, mutual aid, and training for another year. The vote was unanimous.

#### **b. 3-TOWN LETTER TO SAD # 22 & RE-USE**

Manager Lessard provided a brief review of the meeting held on September 14<sup>th</sup> at the Victoria Grant Center in Winterport with municipal officials of Hampden, Winterport, and Newburgh. That meeting was held for the purpose of developing a response to the SAD #22 Board of Director's decision to retain the old Hampden Academy site following completion of construction of the new high school.

The group developed a list of twenty-four questions related to the topic and Manager Lessard was asked to draft a letter for consideration by all three Boards to be sent to SAD 22. The Finance and Administration Committee reviewed the letter at its 9/20/2010 meeting prior to the Council meeting and recommended that the full Council endorse it. Motion by Councilor Cushing, seconded by Councilor Brann to endorse the letter to SAD #22 from the municipal officials of Hampden, Winterport, and Newburgh. The vote was unanimous.

#### **c. MAYO ROAD FINANCING RESOLUTION**

Motion by Councilor Brann, seconded by Councilor Hughes to approve the Mayo Road Financing Resolve provided by Bond Counsel Mike Trainor as presented. The vote was unanimous.

### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **a. APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE – BANGOR TENNIS & RECREATION CLUB**

Motion by Councilor Brann, seconded by Councilor Lawlis to approve the renewal of the liquor license for Bangor Tennis & Recreation Club. The vote was unanimous.

#### **D. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilor Shakespeare – The Infrastructure Committee will meet on Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

Councilor Lawlis – The Services Committee met on September 16<sup>th</sup> and discussed Saturday bus service, an update on the SAD #22 grant application for a trail system on Town-owned property for winter and summer cross country for the schools as well as hiking and passive recreation for the community.

Councilor Brann – The Comprehensive Plan adoption will be on the agenda for the next Council meeting. The Mayor explained to the viewing audience how to access the plan on the Town website.

Councilor Cushing – He explained that there are new shows coming out for Cable TV including one on the Race For The Cure held in Bangor on September 19<sup>th</sup> that was chaired by Town Clerk Denise Hodsdon. He also updated the Council on the status of the project to upgrade the cable TV equipment to digital.

Councilor Hughes – The Planning and Development Committee had a special meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup> at which time it discussed the draft of the report on the BEAR program and also listened to a presentation by Brewer Police Chief Perry Antone in regard to the Medical Marijuana ordinance that the Town is considering. The next meeting will be held on October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.

#### **E. MANAGER'S REPORT**

A copy of the Manager's Report is attached hereto.

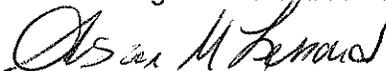
#### **F. COUNCILOR'S COMMENTS**

Councilor Hughes noted that work has begun on Western Avenue to add the turn lane that will be used for the new school entrance. She also indicated support for the grant application put forward by the Town for sidewalks on the 'inside' of Western Avenue adjacent to four-mile-square.

Councilor Cushing noted that Town Clerk Denise Hodsdon did a great job as the Chair of the Race for the Cure and also that Mrs. Lucienne Moore of Hampden was selected as the New Balance Survivor of the Year at the Race for the Cure on 9/19.

#### **G. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

  
Susan Lessard  
Town Manager