



**HAMPDEN TOWN COUNCIL  
HAMPDEN MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
MINUTES**

**MONDAY**

**AUGUST 4, 2014**

**7:00 P.M.**

**NOTE: These minutes are action minutes only recording motions and votes. Video tapes of all meetings are available for review at the Town Office.**

*Attending:*

*Mayor Carol Duprey  
Councilor Tom Brann  
Councilor Greg Sirois  
Councilor David Ryder  
Town Clerk Denise Hodsdon  
Media Representative*

*Councilor William Shakespeare  
Councilor Ivan McPike  
Councilor Jean Lawlis  
Town Manager Susan Lessard  
Town Attorney Tom Russell  
Residents*

*The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Duprey.*

- A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – *Mayor Duprey led the pledge of allegiance.*
- B. CONSENT AGENDA** – *No consent agenda items were set aside for discussion and it was approved by unanimous consent.*
  - 1. SIGNATURES**
  - 2. SECRETARY'S REPORTS**
  - 3. COMMUNICATIONS**
    - a. Jessica Scott/RSU #22 – Resignation from School Board**
    - b. Hampden Country Club – Renewal of Victualers License**
    - c. PERC/Town – Memo re Public Informational Meetings**
  - 4. REPORTS**
    - a. Infrastructure Committee Minutes – 6/23/2014**
    - b. Finance Committee Minutes – 6/16/2014**
    - c. Bangor Humane Society – Stray Animal Report – June 2014**
- C. PUBLIC COMMENTS** – *There were no public comments*
- D. POLICY AGENDA**
  - 1. NEWS, PRESENTATIONS & AWARDS** – *Mayor Duprey reminded the Council and residents that Hampden Children's Day was being held on Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>.*
  - 2. PUBLIC HEARINGS** - *None*

- 3. NOMINATIONS – APPOINTMENTS – ELECTIONS** - *Nomination papers for Council, School Board, and Water District Trustee seats will be available on August 6<sup>th</sup>.*

**4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- a. **Pool Roof Bid Award – Recommendation of Infrastructure and Finance Committees** – *Motion by Councilor Shakespeare, seconded by Councilor Lawlis to approve the Infrastructure Committee and Finance Committee recommendations to award the pool roof bid to McLaughlin Builders for \$23,849 to come from Pool Reserve. Unanimous vote in favor.*
- b. **Municipal Garage Fuel Tank Bid Award – Recommendations of Infrastructure and Finance Committees** – *Motion by Councilor Shakespeare, seconded by Councilor Brann to approve the Infrastructure and Finance Committee recommendations to award the fuel tank bid to Simard & Sons for \$8,749 to be funded from Municipal Garage Reserve. Unanimous vote in favor.*
- c. **Sewer Manhole Acceptance – O’Donald/Lead Mountain Properties Development – 206 Western Avenue – Infrastructure Committee Recommendation** – *Motion by Councilor Ryder, seconded by Councilor Lawlis to approve the Infrastructure Committee recommendation to accept the sewer manhole on 206 Western Avenue. Unanimous vote in favor*
- d. **Elm Street East Culvert – Additional Funding Request from Streets & Roads Reserve Account – Finance Committee Recommendation** – *Motion by Councilor McPike, seconded by Councilor Sirois to spend additional funds from Streets and Roads Reserve for guardrail installation. Councilors Brann and Shakespeare requested additional information related to any ‘design flaw’ in the project before making a decision. Motion by Councilor Lawlis, seconded by Councilor Brann to table until additional information is received. Vote 3-4 (Shakespeare, Brann, Lawlis in favor, Duprey, McPike, Ryder, Sirois opposed). Motion failed. Vote on the original motion 5-2 (Brann and Shakespeare opposed, Sirois, Lawlis, Ryder, Duprey, McPike in favor). Motion carried.*

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment – Article 4.6 Rural Cluster Housing Open Space Exception – Referral to Planning Board** *Motion by Councilor Sirois, seconded by Councilor McPike to refer Article 4.6 Rural Cluster Housing Open Space Exception to the Planning Board. Unanimous vote in favor.*

- b. **Application for Catered Function received from Spectacular Event Center – 9/19/2014 at Changing Seasons FCU – Motion by Councilor Lawlis, seconded by Councilor Shakespeare to allow the Spectacular Events Center to cater a function at Changing Seasons Credit Union on September 19, 2014 and be allowed to serve alcohol. Unanimous vote in favor.**
  - c. **Sewer Commitment – April 2014 to June 2014 – Motion by Councilor McPike, seconded by Councilor Lawlis to approve the sewer commitment for the April – June 2014 period. Unanimous vote in favor.**
  - d. **Maine Municipal Association – Annual Election Voting Ballot – Motion by Councilor Shakespeare, seconded by Councilor Ryder to approve the Maine Municipal Association Executive Committee ballot as presented with the nominating committee recommendations. Unanimous vote in favor.**
  - e. **Maine Municipal Association – Legislative Policy Committee Ballot – Motion by Councilor Lawlis seconded by Councilor Shakespeare to vote for the two candidates presented (Carroll & Crooker) for the Legislative Policy Committee. Unanimous vote in favor.**
  - f. **Rural Active Living Assessment – City of Bangor Request – Tracie Goldsmith from the City of Bangor passed out a memo and copies of the assessment to be completed. She said that one third of the communities in the state had completed the assessment through Healthy Maine Partnerships. Public Comment: Lisa Carter, Western Avenue, asked where the funding for it comes from, how much it costs the community (no cost) and how the assessment worked. Resident Terry McAvoy, Monroe Road asked if there would be pressure to make 'connectivity' between towns as a result of this. Councilor Lawlis asked how long the assessment took and what format was it in. Councilor Sirois stated that he saw no problem with providing information but the Town would not be held to any findings or recommendations. Tracie indicated that the information could be used as data in grant applications for the Town. Motion by Councilor Lawlis, seconded by Councilor Brann to provide the requested information as part of an upcoming Services Committee meeting. Vote 6 – 1 (Ryder opposed). Motion carried.**
- E. COMMITTEE REPORTS – Councilor Lawlis reported that a Services Committee would be held on Monday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. Councilor Ryder reported that all items from Infrastructure had been discussed as part of regular agenda items. Councilor Sirois reported that Public Safety Director Rogers would be at the next Planning & Development Committee to discuss complaints received about the fireworks ordinance. Mayor Duprey reported that Finance & Administration had discussed raising pool fees, charter revisions and amendments to be introduced for public hearing at the next Council meeting.**

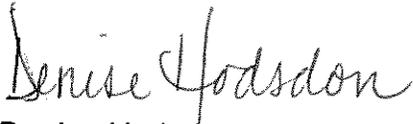
- F. MANAGER'S REPORT** – *The Manager's report is attached hereto and made part of the minutes.*
- G. COUNCILORS' COMMENTS** – *Councilor Shakespeare stated that he was greatly offended by one councilor who made personal attacks on him and two other councilors since Council rules say that that is not allowed.*

*Councilor Lawlis stated that she was happy with zero sort recycling and asked where we could get clear bags to use for the process. She also said that as part of her daily walks she has discovered that Hampden is a wonderful place for finding mushrooms.*

*Councilor Brann asked the status of the Codification project. The Town Manger will report on that at the next meeting.*

*Councilor McPike – Asked what could be done to improve use of the zero sort recycling compactor at the Transfer Station since he was still seeing people just throw everything into the trash compactor.*

- H. ADJOURNMENT** – *The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.*



Denise Hodsdon  
Town Clerk

## MANAGER'S REPORT

August 4, 2014

Code Enforcement Officer – Ben Johnson, the Town's Code Enforcement Officer has resigned and accepted a job offer as a property manager. My plan for replacement is to promote from within the fire department to this position and hire a replacement firefighter/paramedic from the recent applications that we received when we advertised to replace Lt. Coombs position. This allows the fire inspector and the Code officer to both be cross trained in firefighting and emergency medical response as well as codes and inspections. The Public Safety Director is the direct supervisor of both positions at the present time. Increasing our public safety capacity and having a known entity in the Code Enforcement position are both positives. In addition, the Public Safety Director is structuring the schedule so that by January a Code official is available Monday through Friday between the Code Officer and the Fire Inspector to make sure that we can best serve customers. Ben's last day with us in August 14<sup>th</sup>. He has done a great job during his ten years with the community.

Bus Meeting – The City of Bangor will be holding a public meeting in regard to Hampden Saturday Bus Service on Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m. They have offered to hold the meeting here at 3 p.m. and I am waiting to hear back as to whether it will be here or in Bangor at the Bangor City Hall Council Chambers.

Councilor, School Board & Water District Trustee Nomination Papers – As of Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup> nomination papers will be available for the following positions:

- 4 District Council Seats for 3 year terms
- 1 RSU #22 School Board seat for a 3 year term
- 1 RSU #22 School Board seat to fill a vacancy until November 2015
- 1 Hampden Water District Trustee for a 5 year term

Nomination papers must be returned to the Town Clerk no later than Thursday September 4<sup>th</sup>.

September Promotion – The Town will be doing a promotion at the Transfer Station on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month to provide information/flyers on zero sort recycling and clear plastic bags to encourage participation. We will be sending out a newsletter this month that includes articles that discuss the promotion and provides more zero-sort information as well. This suggestion was made at the Infrastructure Committee meeting as a way to get people energized and excited about reducing their trash and increasing their recycling.

Children's Day Reminder – Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup> is Children's Day this year. The parade will start at 11 a.m. at Reed's Brook and from 12-4 there will be activities at the new Hampden Academy at 89 Western Avenue. From 4:30 until the fireworks at 9 there will be a street dance and music at the new academy. Fireworks will be at 9 at the baseball field. Volunteers are still needed to help with set up and clean up!