

**MINUTES OF HAVERHILL SELECTBOARD REGULAR MEETING**  
**Monday, April 12, 2010**  
**Draft Subject to Review, Correction and Approval at Following Meeting**

**Board Members Present:** Roderick Ladd, David Joslin, Lynn Wheeler, and Wayne Fortier. Peter Heilemann was excused.

**Town Manager:** Glenn English

**Administrative Assistant/Finance Officer:** Jo Lacaillade

**Members of the Police Department:** Chief Cecil Smith and Sergeant Byron Charles

**Members of the Public Present:** Harold Brown, Steve Carroll, Carole Bont, Annemarie Godston, Maryann Aldrich, Lori Hughes, Maria Ryan, Richard Rines, and Ed Ballam from the Journal Opinion.

**Call Meeting to Order:** Chairman Ladd called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

**Approval of Agenda:** David Joslin made a motion to approve the agenda; Lynn Wheeler seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Consent Agenda:** Wayne Fortier made a motion to approve the consent agenda; David Joslin seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

**Public Hearings: 6:00 pm Pursuant to RSA 31:95-b to accept grant funds from the New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning into the 2010 Town Budget.**

Lynn Wheeler made a motion to enter into Public Hearing; the motion was seconded by Wayne Fortier and carried unanimously. Public Hearing was opened at 6:04 pm. TM English gave an overview of the grant money that has been awarded to the town. There was no input from the audience. David Joslin made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing; the motion was seconded by Lynn Wheeler and carried unanimously. The Public Hearing adjourned at 6:06 pm. Lynn Wheeler made a motion to accept two grants for the New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning into the 2010 budget as follows: \$17,175.89 for an Energy Lighting Upgrade and \$7,500 for an energy audit of the former Woodsville Armory building. The motion was seconded by David Joslin and carried unanimously.

**Scheduled Public Appearance(s):**

- **Maria Ryan, CEO Cottage Hospital:** Maria Ryan introduced herself along with Maryann Aldrich and Lori Hughes. She gave an overview of the services that are provided at Cottage Hospital; the amount of charitable care that was provided to the area last year and some of the goals and plans for the future. Concerns were brought forward from members of the public regarding a billing procedure issue that some patients are experiencing when they use the walk in clinic and it is billed as an emergency room visit. Maria Ryan explained

different situations where that could happen but assured all that she would review that process. Carole Bont strongly urged Cottage Hospital to become a participating walk in clinic for this area. Maria Ryan outlined some of the financial issues that go with a walk in clinic and stated that based on the small number of patients utilizing the hospital would not be able to pay for that type of service. It was also asked that Ms. Ryan research what types of Veteran coverage are accepted at the hospital because there are different tiers of coverage and some may not be accepted. She thanked the Board for the opportunity to introduce herself to the community.

- **Prosecutor Contract:** Chief Smith introduced R. Steven Carroll to the Board as the person selected to become the Town Prosecutor. Sergeant Charles gave an overview of the selection process and of Mr. Carroll's resume. After a brief discussion the Board welcomed him and thanked him for the service that he will be providing the Town of Haverhill. The Board signed the contract.

**Town Manager's Report:** TM English gave the Board a brief overview of the FEMA disaster eligible expenses incurred during a series of storms that hit the region from February 27 thru March 3, 2010. Applications for reimbursement through FEMA will be submitted.

**Pending (Old) Business: NONE**

**New Business:**

- **Armory-Beautification project and Name Contest:** Lynn Wheeler presented a poster she was proposing to announce a "Name that Building" contest for the Woodsville Armory building that she would like to post around Town. The poster will also be distributed to the schools for student's submissions. The Board was in support of moving forward on this project. TM English told the Board that he had contacted James Graham who is one of the Trustee of Trust Funds regarding the possibility of obtaining funds from the Winnefred Moran Fund for a beautification project at the armory. Mr. Graham told TM English that there might be funds available for this type of project. Annemarie Godston, a Master Gardner, said that she would serve on a committee to design and/or develop gardens at the Armory building and recommended Mrs. Solinsky who might be able to design a garden for the grounds. Richard Rines suggested that perhaps the 4-H kids might be able to be involved somehow. He also asked if the Board intended to allow parking at the armory as has been done in the past for 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks. He stated that the gates are usually opened and parking is allowed on all the parking lots and on the grass out front. The Board felt that perhaps the parking lots could still be used but did not think there should be parking on the grass areas. There was a brief discussion about outdoor lighting and the status of a flag for the building as well as a flag for the Haverhill Corner Common flag pole.

**Commission/Committee Reports:**

David Joslin said that at the Recreation Commission meeting that was held on the previous Wednesday, Kelly Joslin, representing the employees of New England Wire Technologies had presented a donation to the summer HARP program in the amount of \$1,204. The employees pick an area charity every quarter to fund raise for and the first quarter of 2010 HARP was chosen along with

the Boys and Girls Club of Lisbon and each charity was given \_ of the money raised from flower sales, raffles, employees paying to dress down on Fridays etc. The money will be used for scholarships or other needed items for the HARP program. The Selectboard was very appreciative of this donation.

**Correspondence: None**

**Comments of the Public:**

Richard Rines voiced concerns about a property on Route 25 in Pike that has a tall brick smoke stack that is crumbling and could pose a hazard to people and cars. TM English said that a hazardous and dilapidated building can be addressed by the Town. The owner of the property will be contacted if the building is determined to fall into this category.

Richard Rines was also concerned over information he had heard regarding some State of New Hampshire paving projects on Interstate 93 in the Lincoln area this summer that will reroute truck traffic on Route 116 where he lives. Since the Selectboard does not have any information regarding this issue Chairman Ladd will check into it in his role as Representative Ladd and get back to Mr. Rines.

Harold Brown advised the Board that he is circulating a petition for a Special Town Meeting to repeal the Life Safety Code that was adopted by the Town several years ago. He plans to present the petition to the Board at their next meeting.

Ed Ballam said that he understood that the Business Park realtor was going to be in attendance at this meeting. TM English stated that she was unable to make it and has asked to be allowed to come to the first meeting in May. The Board said that they strongly encouraged her to make it to the April 26<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Comments of the Town Manager/Administrative Assistant-Finance Officer:**

AA Lacaillade reviewed with the Board information she had provided them regarding Employee Health Insurance Plan changes scheduled for July 1, 2010. As all information provided was as discussed previously as part of the budget process the Board was in concurrence with the changes outlined and a presentation to the employees will be scheduled.

**Comments of Selectboard Members:**

Wayne Fortier asked if all Board members have reviewed the information regarding a proclamation for Silver Star recipients that was forwarded to them. After a brief discussion the Board decided to pursue this further and it will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

**Adjourn Meeting:** David Joslin made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Lynn Wheeler. Chairman Ladd adjourned the meeting at 7:25 pm.

Minutes transcribed by Jo Lacaillade