

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2012

Present: Vice Chairmen Darcy; Selectmen Ebbighausen; Selectmen Rideout; Selectmen Schill; TA Collins. Chairmen Smith was absent.

6:00 p.m. Vice Chairmen Darcy called meeting to order.

Vice Chairmen Darcy read an invitation to the Selectmen and their families to the Hinsdale Community Dance on May 5, 2012 at 6:30 to 10:00 p.m. held at the Town Hall, Main Upper Stairs Hall.

Selectmen Ebbighausen made a motion to accept the public minutes and non-public minutes of April 9, 2012, second by Selectmen Schill. Discussion – Selectman Rideout is concerned that the Selectmen agreed to temporarily hire an Assistant to Town Clerk while in house staff would be trained as a deputy in the case of the Town Clerk's absence. The Town Clerk needs to have a deputy and the town should not be creating a part-time position as a Town Clerk's Assistant.

Selectmen Ebbighausen stated this does not have to do with the acceptance of the minutes and under the circumstances, the Board can vote to rescind their decision.

Vice Chairman Darcy called for a vote. Acceptance of the minutes passed unanimously.

Selectmen Rideout made a motion to rescind their decision of temporarily hiring an Assistant to the Town Clerk since the contingency of training someone in house for a deputy is not being met, Second by Ebbighausen. Discussion – Selectman Schill stated since the Assistant was to begin training on Tuesday, if she is not contacted prior, the town would reimburse her for her mileage. Vice Chairman Darcy stated, until there is someone being trained as deputy, they will not take up the motion of hiring someone temporarily as an assistant.

Vice Chairman Darcy called for a vote. The motion to rescind their decision of temporarily hiring an Assistant to the Town Clerk passed unanimously.

Selectman Ebbighausen requested a letter be drafted to the Town Clerk regarding their decision is prepared for next Monday.

Selectmen Schill made a motion to accept the manifest of April 16, 2012, Selectmen Ebbighausen second. Motion passed unanimously.

Selectmen Schill made a motion to abate a \$97.50 water charge to Sarah Tarbell, property located at 60 Montiero Drive, because it was a previous balance prior to ownership, Selectmen Rideout second. Motion passed unanimously.

Selectmen Ebbighausen made a motion to abate a \$15.18 tax charge to Kyle Hickey, property located at 118 Oxbow Road, because was charged interest in error, Selectmen Schill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Selectmen Ebbighausen made a motion to sign a Land Use Change Tax for Vaughn Taylor and Michelle Spurling-Taylor on 141 Middle Oxbow Road, Selectmen Schill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Selectmen Ebbighausen made a motion to sign a driveway permit for Timothy Nichols on Middle Oxbow Road, Selectmen Schill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Selectmen Schill made a motion to sign Intent to Excavate for Wayne C. Corse, on property located on Meeting House Road, Selectmen Ebbighausen second. Motion passed unanimously.

Selectmen Schill made a motion to approve a Veteran's Tax Exemption/Tax Credit, file number 41612, Selectmen Ebbighausen second. Motion passed unanimously.

Selectmen Ebbighausen made a motion to approve an Open Container/ Alcohol permit for Hinsdale High School Reunion of Class of 1962, being held at the Community Center on July 14, 2012, from 2:00 p.m. 8:00 Selectmen Schill second. Motion passed unanimously.

TA Collins let the Selectmen know that the Legislative Policy Process for the NHMA Municipal Advocacy Committee is beginning. Selectmen are welcome to submit policy proposal form by May 4, 2012.

TA Collins discussed HB 592 which passed and changed the demographics of Hinsdale delegates from Winchester and Chesterfield to Chesterfield, Westmoreland, Walpole and Hinsdale. Vice-Chair Darcy pointed out Cheshire County lost 1 delegate, instead of 14, we will have 13.

6:30 p.m. Vice Chairmen Darcy opened Public Hearing

6:40 p.m. Selectmen Ebbighausen made a motion to close the Public Hearing, Selectmen Schill second. Motion passed unanimously.

A member of the public was concerned with the trash on Route 63. She is constantly picking it up. Vice Chairmen Darcy informed the public about Green Up day on April 21, 2012, as a temporary solution. Bags for Green Day will be available for volunteers at the Community Center, from 8 a.m. to 10 am. Bags will be picked up and can be dropped off at the Transfer Station until 4 p.m. TA Collins is going to contact the High School to see if there is a community service program and if so, would they be interested in helping out. Also look into if any other programs or business would be interested in helping out. The Selectmen will work on a solution.

Committees – nothing new

Selectmen Rideout wanted to comment about the approval of the additional equipment needed for the Police Department, he wanted to make sure funds not used comes back to the tax payers. Vice Chairmen Darcy agreed.

6:50 p.m. Selectmen Ebbighausen made a motion for Non-Public Meeting
Non-Public 91A- 32A
Darcy I, Ebbighausen I, Rideout I, Ebbighausen I

6:55 p.m. Selectmen Ebbighausen made a motion to seal Non-Public Minutes, Selectmen Schill second. Motion passed unanimously.

7:00 p.m. Vice Chairmen Darcy welcomed Peter Tennant and the Police Department Building Team regarding the Future Police Department. Members present Peter Zavorotny; Michael Bomba; Joseph Conroy; Chris Roberts.

Chairman Darcy recommended Jeanna Major, School Board Member, be appointed to the Board. Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to appoint Jeanna to the Building Team, second by Rideout. Motion passes.

Peter Zavorotny wanted to open discussion regarding negative comments about the proposed location of the police department. He realizes there is an economic benefit to the location, but feels the committee should pursue revisiting other locations, such as the Boy Scout Park and the Tempstat Building (Tri-State Firearms).

Architect, Peter Tenant, commented the school site is the preferred site because of minimal site work. The Tempstat Building should be researched and investigated. Items to take into consideration is the cost of the building; renovations that will be needed; and the installation of an elevator. Other areas of consideration is the size of the building – 15,000 square feet; utility costs to operate from the building; and future maintenance – roof; heat; etc.

The Selectmen discussed the need to have answers prepared for the 2013 Town Meeting of the reasons for site choice. All avenues should be investigated and pros and cons of the various sites need to be pointed out.

The Building Team will meet next week at the Tempstat Building on Thursday, April 26, 2012. TA Collins will contact Bob Harcke to make arrangements. After the tour, if there is still time, the Building Team will look at the Boy Scout Park site.

Chris Roberts mention an innovative initiative using Power Purchase Agreements (PPA) for Green Energy incentives for municipal buildings.

7:55 p.m. the Building Team was excused.

Peter Zavorotny spoke with the Selectmen regarding the shed by the Pavilion, if they would supply the materials, then we was more than happy to repair it.

TA Collins mentioned that the bus service would be running in Hinsdale sometime after July. The Jar Grant approved for five trips, six days a week, Monday – Saturday, last trip around 6:30 p.m. Possible bus stops will be at Thicket Hill, T-Bird, Down Town, Wal-Mart and Rolling Hills. There will be no bus shelters required.

Vice Chairmen Darcy discussed about starting the process regarding the Mason Building and will have an updated next meeting.

Selectmen Schill asked the Selectmen to begin thinking about setting goals as individuals for discussion at the next meeting.

8:00 p.m. Selectmen Ebbighausen made a motion to adjourn, Selectmen Schill second. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alicia Marshall
Secretary