

The Selectmen Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 6, 2014

Present: Chairman Rideout; Selectmen Darcy; Ebbighausen; Gallagher; Morel and TA Collins.

6:00 p.m. Chairman Rideout called the meeting to order.

Selectman Gallagher made a motion to sign Manifest of October 7, 2014 Selectman Ebbighausen second. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Gallagher made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of September 29, 2014, Public and Non-Public, Selectman Ebbighausen second. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Gallagher made a motion to sign Hinsdale Water Works Disconnection letter, Selectman Ebbighausen second. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to have the Chair sign Facility Rental Request for the Hinsdale Farmers Market to use the Town Hall upstairs main hall, November 23, 2014 from 8:15am to 2:30 pm, Selectman Gallagher second. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to transfer from the General Fund to the TIF Fund in the amount of \$21,585.37 which represents tax year 2013 captured funds, Selectman Morel second. Motion passes unanimously.

TA Collins gave the Selectmen Project Pay Increase for 2015-2016, for review. This is for budgetary purposes only and is subject to change when the Salary Study is completed. MRI will give a recommendation at that time for the Selectmen to take into consideration. Selectman Ebbighausen made a motion to approve the preliminary pay increase for 2015-2016 at 2.2%, Selectman Gallagher second. Motion passes unanimously.

Dennis Nadeau, Water and Sewer Superintendent, provided the Selectmen a clarifying letter, as requested by them last Monday, regarding Keith Owen's water abatement request. The meter was not broken during the 2nd quarter – it was reading fine the quarter prior and still is reading fine now, the usage of 47,000 is accurate. Selectman Gallagher made a motion to deny the water abatement request, Selectman Darcy second. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to grant Oak Hill Acres Cooperative a waiver for their water system replacement project installation of water lines, Selectman Gallagher second. Motion passes unanimously.

TA Collins informed the Selectmen that Dennis Nadeau has joined the Rural Water Board and is away at training in Washington State, at their expense.

TA Collins and the Selectmen had a discussion regarding the old soccer field and working with the School to have work done to the field. It was suggested to have a discussion with the School Board to have them pay for the cost of the materials and the Town employees would perform the work.

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There is a Budget meeting this Wednesday with the Selectmen, Budget Committee and the School Board, at 6:15 p.m. at the SAU building.

The Selectmen received a tentative budget schedule, for review. Budget packages and CIP packages have been distributed for review.

The public hearing for changes to the Water & Sewer Ordinance has been scheduled for 6:00 on the 20th of October.

Rescue Inc. contract will be increasing by 1% this coming fiscal year.

Selectman Morel mentioned there was probably not going to be a Planning Board Meeting in October.

Selectman Morel discussed fixing the threshold going into the Town Clerks Office, some of the cement has broken away, which could be creating a draft. TA Collins will look into getting the threshold fixed.

Selectman Ebbighausen has a Zoning Board Meeting next Tuesday at 6:30p.m.

Selectman Gallagher has a Conservation Commission meeting; he needs the paperwork to swear in Sarah Bomba.

Chairman Rideout had a Hinsdale Community Coalition meeting on the October 1, 2014. Hinsdale Community Coalition will be coming in tonight for discussion on their budget. They have been applying for grants but a lot of them will not be available until next year. They will be doing fundraising and volunteering to help continue to fund their programs.

TA Collins informed the Selectmen that Flu Shoots will be available on October 9th from 12:30p.m. to 1:30p.m.

The Tax Collector informed the Selectmen that the tax liens have dropped this year, the numbers of liens is lower than it has been in years. Once lien notice go out about half of them are paid off within a year. When the deeding process begins a lot of property owners will come in to pay their taxes owed.

6:30 p.m. Selectman Gallagher made a motion to enter into Non-Public under RSA 91:A-3, II, (d) – Reputation, second by Selectman Ebbighausen. The vote is as follows: Darcy – I; Ebbighausen - I; Gallagher – I; Morel – I; Rideout - I. Motion passes unanimously.

6:37 p.m. Selectmen returned to regular session.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to seal the Non-Public Meeting Minutes, Selectman Morel second. Motion passes unanimously.

6:37 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a motion to enter into Non-Public under RSA 91:A-3, II, (e) – Negotiations, second by Selectman Morel. The vote is as follows: Darcy – I; Ebbighausen - I; Gallagher – I; Morel – I; Rideout - I. Motion passes unanimously.

6:45 p.m. Selectmen returned to regular session.

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Selectman Darcy made a motion to seal the Non-Public Meeting Minutes, Selectman Gallagher second. Motion passes unanimously.

6:45 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a motion to enter into Non-Public under RSA 91:A-3, II, (a)– Personnel, second by Selectman Morel. The vote is as follows: Darcy – I; Ebbighausen - I; Gallagher – I; Morel – I; Rideout - I. Motion passes unanimously.

6:48 p.m. Selectmen returned to regular session.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to seal the Non-Public Meeting Minutes, Selectman Ebbighausen second. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to have TA Collins contact Bradley Lawrence to be employed to do the winter snow shoveling, at the Hinsdale Community Center, Library and Town Hall, on the days snow shoveling is not covered by the Town, at his regular pay rate, Selectman Gallagher second. Motion passes unanimously.

Selectman Gallagher made a motion to have the Chair sign a letter to Bob Duso, Selectman Ebbighausen second. Motion passes unanimously.

6:50 p.m. Hinsdale Community Coalition joined the Selectmen for discussion of their budget.

Ann Diorio gave the Selectmen a hand out of what has been spent in the past on Community Events.

Chili Cook Off:

- EDM Mailer - \$375.00
- Prizes - \$400.00
- Printing - \$325.00

Lawn Party:

- EDM Mailer - \$375.00
- Prizes - \$400.00
- Game Rental - \$400.00
- Printing - \$325.00
- Misc/Food - \$600.00

Bon Fire:

- Misc/Food - \$200.00

Health Fair:

- EDM Mailer - \$375.00
- Prizes - \$300.00
- Printing - \$325.00

Total: \$4,400.00

Middle School camp expenses busses and counselors:

- 6 trips average: \$500.00 per trip Friday's during summer program - \$3,000.00
- Two Counselors for 6 weeks: 30 days at \$9.50 per hour, 7 hours per day - \$3,990.00
- FICA - \$305.24
- Misc - \$100.00

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Total Expenses: \$11,795.24

The Hinsdale Community Coalition talked about some of the trips the Middle School Summer Program takes:

- Rye Beach
- Six Flags
- Boys and Girls Club in Brattleboro

These trips are educations as well as fun for the kids.

The Hinsdale Community Coalition mentioned they do receive some donations for their events.

- PTA
- C & S
- UNFI
- Shippee Automotive
- Individual Residents

The Selectmen and the Hinsdale Community Center Committee discussed increasing the budget to \$12,000.00 to help continue these programs. They discussed possibly making a Community Event item line in the Recreational budget.

The Hinsdale Community Center Committee also requested to increase the number of board members to 11, which would help get more ideas and input on community events.

Selectman Darcy made a motion to increase the number of board member to 11, with 2 alternates, Selectman Ebbighausen second. Motion passes unanimously.

The Selectmen and the Hinsdale Community Center Committee discussed how important they felt having these community events where to the families and children to the community.

The Selectmen will discuss the possible increase to budget at the budget meeting this Wednesday and will discuss how important the Selectmen feel it is to be able to continue these programs. The Middle School Summer Program gives the children activities to do in the summer time, connect with other children and have a fun learning experience as well.

7:10 p.m. The Selectmen continued regular session.

The Selectmen further discussed how important they felt having these community events were to the residents and adding an additional \$12,000.00 to the budget was well worth it.

The Selectmen discussed having the Ct. River Transit come meet with them with more information, regarding the bus service, to bring before the Budget Committee. The Selectmen discussed the possible impact not having the bus in town.

Chairman Rideout mentioned to the Selectmen that at the HCIDC meeting they discussed the infrastructure or lack thereof. The Selectmen discussed development to the TIF district and the possibility of increasing ridership on the bus.

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7:20 p.m. Selectman Darcy made a motion to adjourn, second by Gallagher. Motion passes unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
Alicia A. Marshall
Secretary

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