

TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Regular Minutes September 10, 2018

Call to order 7:00 pm – Draper Room

Selectman Wesley called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Selectman Thomas Wesley, Selectman Brian Keyes, Town Administrator Steven Sette, Executive Assistant Susan Brouwer, and Videographer Jeffrey Ellis. Selectman Arcudi was absent.

Chair Wesley began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Consent Items

- Approval of the August 13, 2018 Regular Minutes
 MSDV to approve regular minutes of August 13, 2018
 Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye
- 2. Vote to approve Warrants 19-09 and 19-09P as approved by Selectman Keyes MSDV to approve Warrants 19-09 and 19-09P as approved by Selectman Keyes Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes—Aye; Selectman Wesley—Aye

B. Appointments and Resignations

- Town Clerk request for Board to accept the list of Election Workers
 MSDV to accept the Town Clerk's recommendation for election workers as presented
 Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes—Aye; Selectman Wesley—Aye
- 2. Appointment of Leo Lyons as Tree Warden until May 14, 2019 Election Mr. Lyons was present and noted that he had been the Tree Warden up until Walter Swift was elected ten years ago. Mr. Lyons is looking forward to stepping into this role again. MSDV to appoint Leo Lyons as Tree Warden until May 14, 2019 Election Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye
- 3. Appointment of Matthew Berger as a Call Firefighter
 Chief Daige noted that Mr. Berger previously worked as a Call Firefighter/EMT for the
 Hopedale Fire Department but relocated to another Town, so he had to resign his position. Mr.
 Berger recently moved back to Town working as a full time Firefighter/Paramedic in Reading
 and inquired about rejoining the Town Fire Department as a Call Firefighter. Chief Daige had
 an open position stating that Mr. Berger was a competent employee, now a paramedic and is
 very qualified for the position. Chief Daige recommends appointment of Matthew Berger as a
 Call Firefighter.

MSDV to appoint Matthew Berger as a Call Firefighter Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye 4. Appointment of FY19 CMRPC Alternate

Selectman Keyes agreed to continue as the CMRPC alternate. It was noted a request was sent to the Planning Board for appoint of a Planning Board Delegate MSDV to appoint Selectman Keyes as the FY19 CMRPC Alternate

Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

C. 7:05 p.m. Public Hearing

1. 7:05 PM: National Grid – [Mike Fraser Engineer] Driftway Road Petition to install a new pole 10-5 and relocate Pole 10 approximately 10' to the southerly direction and add two anchors.

- a. Vote to Open Public Hearing
- b. Read Abutter's Notice
- c. Board Discussion with Engineer
- d. Vote to Close Public Hearing
- e Vote on new Pole 10-5 and relocation of Pole 10

Selectman Wesley read the Public Hearing Notice aloud. A motion to open the public hearing was made by Selectman Keyes; seconded by Selectman Wesley. The vote was unanimous. National Grid Engineer Mike Fraser was present and answered questions relating to the placement of the new pole 10-5 and the relocation of Pole 10 explaining the new pole is necessary to help support the weight of the wires and guide wires are necessary to support the weight of the new pole. Selectman Keyes made a motion to close the public hearing; seconded by Selectman Wesley. The vote was unanimous.

A vote was taken on the petition to install a new pole 10-5 and relocate Pole 10 approximately 10' to the southerly direction and add two anchors

MSDV to approve the installation of pole 10-5 and relocate Pole 10 approximately 10' to the southerly direction and add two anchors on Driftway Road

Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

D. New Business

- 1. Park Commission (Don Howes) Update on Activities and Pond Cleanup Don Howes Park Commission Chair gave an update on the treatment of weeds in the Hopedale Pond, noting weed treatment is in the second year and has been very successful. Mr. Howes also noted the Park placed dog waste stations along the outside of the parks and along the Parklands. The waste stations were all funded through donations. Mr. Howes mentioned the need for more funding referencing the increased costs of porta-john rentals and tree maintenance within the Parklands have increased. The Park Commission and Friends of Historic Hopedale are planning a haunted house on the tennis courts in October.
- 2. Acceptance of Donations for Dog Waste Stations for Parks (List of donors attached) Selectman Keyes read the list of donors for the dog waste stations aloud. Mr. Howes noted the that the Town Accountant has set up a Parks Department revolving account for funds to be deposited.

MSDV to accept Park Commission donations for dog waste stations to be placed along the Hopedale parks and parklands. Fund donations to be placed in a Parks revolving account. Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

3. Discussion on Memorial Day Committee

Selectman Wesley noted he would be interested in starting a Memorial Day Committee to help plan the Memorial Day Activities. Selectman Wesley noted the Memorial Day Parade has been an annual event and is recommending a committee be formed to fine tune the event. Participants in the annual parade include scouts, the high school band and chorus, police and fire, veterans, and local dignitaries.

Administrator Sette will send a press release asking interested parties to complete a Talent Bank form on the town's website.

4. Request from Friends of Historic Hopedale to hold a Spooktacular 5K on Saturday, October 2, 2018. Funds will be used to support many areas of Town

MSDV to approve the Friends of Historic Hopedale to hold a Spooktacular 5K on Saturday, October 2, 2018.

Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

 Discussion/Action on Requirements by Bond Counsel regarding maximum useful life of departmental equipment to be purchased as part of bond approved under Article 4 at the June 19, 2018 ATM

Administrator Sette noted at the May ATM voters approved a bond for capital items including equipment. Administrator Sette reached out to department heads to determine the useful life of the equipment that will be purchased with the bond. Bond Counsel advised the Board of Selectmen needs to vote the equipment as follows;

A motion was made by Selectman Keyes that the maximum useful life of the departmental equipment listed below to be financed with the proceeds of the \$1,025,000 borrowing authorized by the vote of the Town passed June 19, 2018 (Article 4), is hereby determined pursuant to GL. c.44, §7(1) to be as follows:

Purpose	Borrowing Amount	Maximum Useful Life
Road Equipment Fire Engine/Pumper	\$500,000 \$375,000	15-25 years 10-15 years
Police Cruisers Equipment Voting Machines	\$100,000 \$25,000	10-15 years 10-15 years
Lawn Mower	\$25,000	15-25 years

MSDV to approve the above listed equipment, bond amount and maximum useful life as presented

Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

E. Old Business

None

F. Public and Board Member Comments

1. Selectman Keyes noted the Firemen held a boot drive over the weekend and thanked all who participated. Also, mentioned the 911 Remembrance ceremony that will be held at 9 am tomorrow at Atria Draper weather permitting. Selectman Keyes also noted the efforts of the local Drug Task Force.

- 2. Selectman Wesley noted that he visited the new STEAM classroom at the Jr. High School that was created using grant funds. Selectman Wesley was quite impressed.
- G. Correspondence and Selectmen Informational Items
 - 1. Warrant 19-06, 19-07, 19-07P and 19-08 as approved by Selectmen Arcudi, Keyes and Wesley
 - 2. Verizon email dated August 13, 2018 regarding beIN Sports
- H. Requests for Future Agenda Items
- I. Administrator News

J.

K. Adjournment

With no further regular business before them, the Board of Selectmen adjourned their regular meeting at 8:49 p.m.

RCV- Selectman Arcudi-Absent; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

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Brian R. Keyes

Arcudi, III

Hopedale Board of Selectmen

*MSDV – Moved, Seconded, Discussed and Voted

**RCV- Roll Call Vote