



## TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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**Board of Selectmen**  
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**Town Coordinator**  
Steven A. Sette

### Board of Selectmen Minutes January 21, 2014

Chairman Burns opened the Regular Meeting of the Board and Selectmen at 7:02 p.m. in the Draper room of the Town Hall and moved into the agenda. Present: Chairman Robert Burns; Selectwoman Janet Orff Jacaruso; Selectwoman Sandra Biagetti; Town Coordinator Steven Sette, Police Chief Mark Giovanella and members of the public, the Town Coordinator assumed the responsibilities of the videographer for this meeting.

#### **MSDV to approve the regular and executive session minutes of December 16, 2013 and the regular minutes of January 6, 2014.**

Chairman Burns-Aye; Selectwoman Jacaruso-Aye; Selectwoman Biagetti-Aye

#### **Chairman Burns moved to correspondence on the agenda.**

Discussion occurred regarding a request from Mr. David Kerr for official recognition for his son Andrew T. Kerr on his achievement of the rank of Eagle Scout, the Board asked that this be placed on the February 3<sup>rd</sup> agenda for official action with Selectwoman Biagetti offering to present the recognition on behalf of the Board.

#### **Chairman Burns moved to appointments and resignations on the agenda.**

**Resignation**-None.

**Appointments**- Chief Giovanella asked that the Board appoint 3 candidates as Part Time Public Safety Dispatchers; he offered the names of Jacqueline Lapierre, Garry Raddi and Paul Gingras as candidates for appointment.

#### **MSDV to approve the appointments as recommended by Chief Giovanella.**

Chairman Burns-Aye; Selectwoman Jacaruso-Aye; Selectwoman Biagetti-Aye. The appointees were not present due to the weather and would be notified that they needed to be sworn in by Town Clerk Janet Jacaruso.

#### **Chairman Burns moved to new business on the agenda.**

The Hopedale Unitarian Parish was seeking a Two Day Special Liquor License for the Boar's Head Festival on January 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>; no objections to granting the license were heard.

#### **MSDV to approve the Two Day Special License for the Hopedale Unitarian Church.**

Chairman Burns-Aye; Selectwoman Jacaruso-Aye; Selectwoman Biagetti-Aye

The Friends of the Hopedale Library were seeking a Special One Day Liquor License for a Wine and Chocolate Tasting to be held at the Bancroft Library on Thursday February 6<sup>th</sup>; no objections to this license were heard.

**MSDV to approve the One Day Special License for the Friends of the Hopedale Library.**

Chairman Burns-Aye; Selectwoman Jacaruso; Selectwoman Biagetti-Aye.

Chief Giovannella referenced his letter outlining concerns regarding parking on both sides of Plain Street during hockey games as an impediment to the flow of traffic and safety concerns for patrons trying to cross the roadway. The Chief was seeking approval for **No Parking** signs to be placed in front of the rink on the south side of the roadway to prevent parking from Hartford Avenue to Condon Way and a **No Parking** from here to corner be posted on the north side of the roadway near Hartford Avenue. Mr. Paul Abbondanza from the Kingdom Hall Church located across the street from the ice rink asked to be heard on the matter as there are times that services at the church are affected by the traffic and parking sometimes interferes with church members being able to access the church parking lot, he was in favor of these signs being erected.

**MSDV to approve the placement of No Parking signs as suggested by Chief Giovannella in the area of the Blackstone Valley Ice Rink.**

Chairman Burns-Aye; Selectwoman Jacaruso-Aye; Selectwoman Biagetti-Aye.

Town Coordinator asked the Board to open a Warrant for a Special Town Meeting to be held on February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Coordinator Sette asked that the warrant be closed at the February 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and posted on February 4<sup>th</sup>.

**MSDV to approve the opening of the Warrant for the February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 Town Meeting.**

Chairman Burns-Aye; Selectwoman Jacaruso-Aye Selectwoman Biagetti-Aye

Item E Hopedale Historic Commission proposal for Interpretive Signs was tabled at this time.

**Chairman Burns then moved to Coordinator News** - None

With no further business before them at 7:25 p.m., a motion to allow this board to now enter into Executive Session, not to reconvene in regular session, under G.L. c.30A, s 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation, and that the reason for this Executive Session is because the Chair has declared that discussing this matter in an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Town; and I as Chairman so declare; not to reconvene but to adjourn directly upon conclusion of the closed discussion.

**MSDV to enter into executive session, not to return to open session meeting, and not reconvene.**

RCV\*\*; Chairman Burns-Aye; Selectwoman Jacaruso-Aye; Selectwoman-Aye

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Robert P. Burns, Chairman

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Janet Orff Jacaruso

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Sandra Biagetti

**Hopedale Board of Selectmen**

\*Moved, Seconded, Discussed and Voted \*\* Roll Call Vote