



TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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Board of Selectmen
Sandra Biagetti, Chairwoman
Robert P. Burns
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Town Coordinator
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Board of Selectmen Minutes
May 18, 2015

The regular Meeting of the Board and Selectmen was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Biagetti in the Draper Room of Town Hall.

Present: Chair Sandra Biagetti, Selectman Robert Burns, Selectman Thomas A. Wesley, Town Coordinator Steven Sette, Executive Assistant Susan Brouwer, members of the public, and Videographer Jeffrey Ellis.

1. Reorganization of board

a) **Coordinator Sette requested nominations from the board for Chair**

Selectman Burns made a motion to nominate Sandra Biagetti as Board of Selectmen Chair. MSDV Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye; Selectwoman Biagetti-Aye

b) **Coordinator close nominations for Chair**

Coordinator Sette asked if there were any other nominations for Chair, hearing none, a motion was made by Selectman Burns, seconded by Selectman Wesley to close nominations. MSDV Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye; Selectwoman Biagetti-Aye

c) **Coordinator request motion for Chair**

Coordinator Sette asked for a motion to appoint Sandra Biagetti as Board of Selectmen Chair. A motion was made by Selectman Burns, seconded by Selectman Wesley to appoint Sandra Biagetti as Board of Selectmen Chair. MSDV Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye; Selectwoman Biagetti-Aye

Coordinator Sette then turned the meeting over to Chair Biagetti.

2. Consent Items

a) **Approval of Regular Minutes of April 21, 2015**

MSDV to approve regular minutes of April 21, 2015
Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

b) **Approval of Regular Minutes May 4, 2015**

MSDV to approve regular minutes of May 4, 2015
Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

3. Correspondence

None

4. Appointments and Resignations

a) Resignation of Veterans' Agent Robin L. Fletcher effective June 30, 2015

Chair Biagetti read a letter of resignation from Robin Fletcher who is resigning as the Hopedale Veterans' Agent effective July 1, 2015. Ms. Biagetti said she is appreciative of Mr. Fletcher service to the town and that he will be greatly missed.

Coordinator Sette advised that he spoke with Robin and Mr. Patrick Morris who is seeking to be appointed as the new Veterans' Agent beginning July 1. Steve stated that Robin will work with Mr. Morris in taking over the myriad of tasks associated with the position.

MSDV to accept the resignation of Veterans' Agent Robin L. Fletcher effective June 30, 2015
Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

5. New Business

a) Eagle Scout Proclamation – Andrew Louis Allain – Eagle Scout Ceremony 2:00 pm on Saturday, May 30, 2015 at Union Church

Chair Biagetti read the Board of Selectmen's Eagle Scout Proclamation to Andrew Louis Allain. Ms. Biagetti stated it is quite a feat and accomplishment and offered to go to the ceremony and present the Proclamation to Andrew which will be held on Saturday May 30, 2015 at 2:00 pm at the Union Church.

MSDV to sign and present an Eagle Scout Proclamation to Andrew Louis Allain on Saturday May 30, 2015 at 2:00 pm at the Union Church and ordering May 30, 2015 as Andrew Louis Allain Day in Hopedale.
Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

b) Hopedale Country Club - Change of Manager Application from Lisa Caldeira to Craig Coombes

Attorney Joseph Antonellis was present and representing the Hopedale Country Club on the new manager "Change of Manager" ABCC application. Attorney Antonellis reviewed Mr. Coombes qualifications and prior experience stating the Hopedale Country Club Board of Director's did a search and chose Mr. Coombes to serve as the new manager. Attorney Antonellis stated that Mr. Coombes was the best fit for the club having all the necessary certifications to serve as manager of the licenses issued to Hopedale Country Club. Chair Biagetti ask the board if they had any questions of Mr. Coombes. The board did not have any questions. Ms. Biagetti asked Executive Assistant Susan Brouwer to come forward and asked if the application was complete. Ms. Brouwer stated the application was not complete; she is waiting for an updated passport and CORI. Attorney Antonellis handed Ms. Brouwer the items stating these are the only items that are needed in order to submit the application to the ABCC.

Selectman Burns made a motion to submit the Change of Manager application to the ABCC naming Craig Coombes as the new manager of the Hopedale Country Club seconded by Selectman Wesley/
Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

c) Hopedale Country Club - Amendment to Lease Agreement

The Chair recognized Attorney David Pagnini who was present and representing the Water & Sewer Commissioners' on an amendment to the lease agreement between the Town of Hopedale and the Hopedale Country Club. Attorney Pagnini advised that both the Water Commissioners and the Hopedale Country Club Board of Directors agree to the provisions and exclusions outlined in the lease amendment.

MSDV to approve and sign the Hopedale Country Club - Amendment to Lease Agreement allowing said changes to be recorded at the Worcester Registry of Deeds by the Water & Sewer Commissioners'.
Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

Attorney David Pagnini presented, witnessed and notarized the amended lease agreement to both boards for signature and stated he would return a recorded copy to the Board of Selectmen for their record.

6. Board of Selectmen Meeting Decorum

Coordinator Sette provided a packet of information on Robert's Rules of Order to the board members for their review and information. Steve recommended that the Board of Selectmen adopt Robert's Rules of Order as a policy for all town boards and committees in an effort to keep all boards and committees with the same level of decorum and in keeping meetings orderly and without interruption. Selectman Wesley also shared a "Robert Rules Cheat Sheet" outlining procedures in handling and managing board meetings. Mr. Burns recommended the board take the information under advisement and for this item to be discussed at a future meeting.

7. Old Business

None

8. Other topics not reasonably anticipated by Chair 48 hours before meeting

9. Coordinator News

Coordinator Sette wants to remind the residents of Hopedale of two important items. The Annual Town Meeting has twenty-three articles and urges residents to attend so the town can continue to do its work. The Memorial Day Parade steps off promptly from the Jr. Sr. High School parking lot at 8:30 a.m. on Monday May 25.

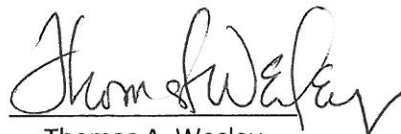
- a) **May 19, 2015 Annual Town Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Jr. Sr. High School Auditorium**
- b) **Memorial Day Parade 8:30 a.m. – Jr. Sr. High School**

Selectman Wesley stated that Representative Fernandes will march. A letter from Senator Fattman will be read as he cannot be at parade. Mr. Wesley said it is the first time in many years that the Hopedale parade will have state representation. Rep. Fernandes may not be able to attend all the locations as he has another parade to attend.

10. Adjournment

With no further business before them at 7:43 p.m. the board adjourned.
Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye


Sandra Biagetti, Chair


Thomas A. Wesley


Robert P. Burns

Hopedale Board of Selectmen
***Moved, Seconded, Discussed and Voted ** Roll Call Vote**