



## TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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**Board of Selectmen**  
Sandra Biagetti, Chair  
Robert P. Burns  
Thomas A. Wesley

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Board of Selectmen  
Regular Session Minutes  
**June 1, 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, Executive Assistant Susan Brouwer, members of the public, and Videographer Jeffrey Ellis.

### Consent Items

**a) Approval of Regular Minutes May 18, 2015**

MSDV to approve regular minutes of May 18, 2015

Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

### Correspondence

### Appointments and Resignations

**a) Appointment of Renee Polechronis Assessor's/Building Department Clerk**

MSDV to approve appointment of Renee Polechronis Assessor's/Building Department Clerk.

Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

Also in attendance were Assessors Donald Howes and Lisa Alberto and Building Commissioner Robert Speroni who were also in favor of Ms. Polechronis' appointment.

### New Business

**a) Fran Marcoux – Request for TIF on Proposed Building Plain Street Industrial Park**

MSDV to passover Fran Marcoux request for TIF on a proposed building located in Plain Street Industrial Park. If the applicant shows up the board will address the matter at that time otherwise the item will be placed on the next meeting agenda.

Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

**b) Discussion on setting FMLA/Paternal Leave/SNLP Policy**

The Board of Selectmen reviewed sample policies from Town of Lakeville and Peabody, Chair Biagetti suggested having Executive Assistant Brouwer draft policies of each for the board to review and discuss at the meeting of June 15.

**c) Review and Discussion of Talent Bank Form Board/Committee Recruitment**

Executive Assistant Susan Brouwer provided an excel spreadsheet listing current and former town boards/committees. The board prioritized the list of boards/committees with a high or low priority status. Boards/committees given a higher priority status will be discussed at the first meeting in July. Boards/committees include; Capital Program, Finance Committee, Personnel. Ms. Brouwer

will request committee chairs with a lower status to come before the board so the board can gather information and a decision on whether to continue these boards/committees. These include; Cemetery, CMRPC, CPO, Council on Aging, Cultural Council, Development and Industrial Commission, Economic Development & Industrial Corporation, and Parking Fines Clerk.

The Board also reviewed the list of former committees. Ms. Brouwer advised that she was unable to determine whether these boards were an ad-hoc or whether these committees still even exist. Susan stated she was unable to locate anything in the Town Code or bylaws. Boards and committees on this list include; Cable Advisory Committee, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), Draper Re-Use Committee, Historic District Committee, 125 Committee, Parade Marshall, Red Shop Committee, Town Hall Renovation and Town Hall Committee. The board advised they will discuss these boards/committees at a later meeting.

**d) Resident Brian Burke requesting for permission by BOS to attend Town & City Clerks Summer Conference June 10-12**

Mr. Burke who was present stated that he has an interest in volunteering and learning about the Town Clerk's office and gaining knowledge about the office operates. Mr. Burke stated in an effort to learn more about the position of the Town Clerk, he would like the Board of Selectmen to give permission for him to attend the educational Town and City Clerks Summer Conference on June 10-12 at his sole expense. Selectman Burns stated the Board of Selectmen need to decide what how they are going to proceed with the current position; continue with the two interim town clerks or hold a special election, noting the concern is cost in holding a special election. Ms. Biagetti stated because the position is an elected position and other residents have shown an interest in the office, the board wouldn't want to appear to be giving someone an unfair advantage in learning the role beforehand. The board took no action on Mr. Burke's request.

**Old Business**

**a) Adoption of format for Board of Selectmen Meetings**

The Board discussed the adoption of Robert's Rules of Order and changing the agenda format by adding "public comment on agenda items". This will allow the public an opportunity to discuss items listed on the agenda. The board would like to add "public comment and requests for future agenda items" after old business. This will give the public an opportunity to make requests for items to be placed on future agendas. In addition, the board would like to recite the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of every meeting.

Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

**Other topics not reasonably anticipated by Chair 48 hours before meeting**

**Coordinator News**

None

**Adjournment**

Chair Biagetti recognized Selectman Burns who made the following motion; I am requesting a motion to allow this board to now enter into Executive Session and not to reconvene in regular session, under M.G.L. c.30A, s 21(a) Reason (3): to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining, because an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the Town.

RCV Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

**Executive Session**

- a) Discuss creation of full time Deputy Fire Chief position

**The regular session of the Board of Selectmen adjourned at 8:39 p.m.**

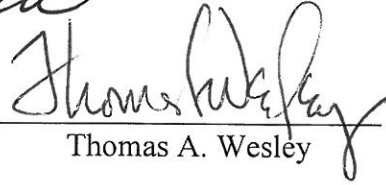
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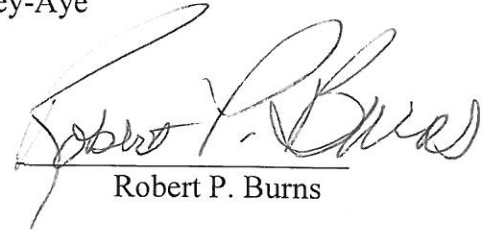
RCV Chair Biagetti-Aye; Selectman Burns-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye



Sandra Biagetti, Chair



Thomas A. Wesley



Robert P. Burns

**Hopedale Board of Selectmen**

**\*Moved, Seconded, Discussed and Voted**

**\*\* Roll Call Vote**