

Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
May 26, 2021

Present: John P. Stohrer, Chairman; James C. Bailey III, Selectman; David J. Rogers, Selectman; Laura Buono, Town Administrator.

In Attendance: Scott Yeaton, John Segedy, Mary Morehouse-Rogers, Cynthia Mathews, Brian Bebe, Riche' Colcombe, Leigh Bosse, Dave Fullerton.

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

1. **NONPUBLIC SESSION**

Chairman Stohrer moved to go into nonpublic session at 6:02 p.m. under RSA 91A:3II (c) reputation. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A roll call vote was taken. Chairman Stohrer – yes; Selectman Rogers – yes; Selectman Bailey - yes. Motion passed unanimously.

In attendance: Chairman Stohrer, Selectman Bailey, Selectman Rogers, Town Administrator Laura Buono, David Roarick, James Rivadeneira, Sarah Edie.

Mr. Rivadeneira and Ms. Edie met with the Selectmen and Chief Roarick to discuss an incident that took place at their property.

Chairman Stohrer moved to come out of nonpublic session at 6:50 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Bailey. A roll call vote was taken. Chairman Stohrer – yes; Selectman Rogers – yes; Selectman Bailey - yes. Motion passed unanimously.

2. **OPEN SESSION**

Dave Fullerton – Mr. Fullerton feels the “Long-Term Projects” section of the Agenda should be eliminated especially considering the amount of time it takes for some of these projects to get completed.

John Segedy – Mr. Segedy urged the Selectmen to put the question of the Noise Ordinance to bed instead of moving it forward. He also suggested that with the Kemp Museum opening, and the Volvo Museum downtown along with the classic cars in town each week as well as the auto related events for the Fest & Fair, perhaps we should draw attention to these as a way to bring people to Hillsborough

Riche' Colcombe – Ms. Colcombe spoke on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce and said that the Chamber is on record as opposing the proposed Noise Ordinance and would like the Selectmen to consider taking it off the list of warrant articles. She also asked if the Town Attorney and NHMA's legal opinions are firm and if so, if the Noise Ordinance can be taken off the Long Term Project List. Chairman Stohrer said he didn't see why it couldn't be taken off the list. Ms. Colcombe asked where the Selectmen stood on the ordinance and Chairman Stohrer said it was still undecided. Ms. Colcombe also asked if the ropes and buoys will be put up at Manahan Beach as they were last year and was told that they will be.

Leigh Bosse – Mr. Bosse spoke on the proposed Noise Ordinance and said that it should be obvious to the Selectmen that 90% of the voters don't want the Ordinance.

Mary Morehouse-Rogers – Ms. Rogers disagreed with Mr. Bosse's 90% figure with regard to the amount of people who don't want the Ordinance.

Brian Bebe – Mr. Bebe noted that at one of the last meetings, Chief Roarick had a list of noise complaints for the last five years and the number of complaints was very low.

Cynthia Mathews – Ms. Mathews asked if there is a direct number of signatures it would take for the proposed Noise Ordinance to be kept off the ballot. It was explained to her that although by law, 25 registered voters can petition a warrant article to be placed on the warrant, there is no such provision to keep an article off of the warrant.

3. SCOTT YEATON RE: GRIMES FIELD

Scott Yeaton, Parks and Recreation, met with the Selectmen to discuss a storage container that HYAA has requested to place at Grimes Field. They currently use a storage facility which has recently come under new ownership and the cost for the unit has steadily gone up over the last year. Mr. Yeaton said that since they are trying to consolidate their gear and lower their cost, they would like to place a 20' Sea-Air-Land container at Grimes. He said he is proposing on the North side of the two structures the Town already has. HYAA will be responsible for all materials and labor to prepare the location and for the placement. Mr. Yeaton said the stipulations will be placed in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Town and HYAA and will include the placement of the container, color, physical appearance and maintenance. Selectman Rogers suggested that adequate liability insurance be added to that as well. Mr. Yeaton said we will be installing a second camera for that area as well. The Board had no issues with the proposal and Mr. Yeaton will finalize things with HYAA and Ms. Buono will draw up the MOU to be signed.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

Boston Post Cane – Ms. Buono asked the Board if they are available on Saturday, June 19th @ 11:00 a.m. to present the Boston Post Cane to Ms. Beard and they were. She said she will confirm that date and time with the family and will relay the location to the Selectmen at their next meeting.

Hazard Mitigation Committee – Ms. Buono asked the Board to appoint Chris Siege as the Water/Sewer Commissioner Representative; Marjorie Porter, State Rep.; and John Segedy as the Conservation Commission Representative to the Hazard Mitigation Committee. Chairman Stohrer moved to appoint the individuals as presented. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

Kemp Park Committee – Selectman Rogers said members of the Committee cleaned out the Cider House and the Hansen Cottage and they are ready and waiting for renovations. He said they have contacted 2 – 3 contractors and are waiting on pricing. Selectman Rogers said the Masons are also willing to fund the bandstand structure and they are talking to Reeds Ferry Sheds about pricing. Leigh Bosse mentioned that if they put the gazebo/bandstand where they plan, the little cottage needs to be moved closer to the garage.

Solid Waste Advisory Board – Ms. Buono reported that the Solid Waste Advisory Board (SWAB) had a very successful compost bin and bucket sale.

Historic District Commission – Chairman Stohrer said that Jay Emmert’s term on the HDC expired this year and that Mr. Emmert would like to continue to serve. Chairman Stohrer moved to reappoint Jay Emmert to a three-year term. Motion was seconded by Selectman Bailey. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

5. **MANIFEST MOTION**

Chairman Stohrer moved to authorize the Selectmen to sign manifests and order the Treasurer to sign Payroll Check numbers 016700 - 016734 a/k/a Vouchers 20, 20A & 21 in the amount of \$176,290.15 (includes 207 direct deposit stubs) and Accounts Payable Check numbers 025210– 025295 a/k/a Voucher #15 & 16 in the amount of \$457,328.28. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Chairman Stohrer moved to approve the Consent Agenda for May 26, 2021. Motion was seconded by Selectman Bailey. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

- Intent to Excavate – Map 7 Lot 71
- Water & Sewer Abatement Map 12 Lot 60-16 \$285.46
- PSNH dba Eversource Settlement Abatement \$68,493.66
- First Issue Tax Warrant in the amount of \$8,574,897.20
- Gravel Tax Levy Map 7 Lot 71 \$351.57
- Timber Tax Abatement Map 12 Lot 495 \$490.27
- Yield Taxes Assessed in the amount of \$490.27

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Stohrer moved to approve the Selectmen’s Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2021. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Stohrer moved to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Rogers. A vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously.

A true record.

Laura Buono
Town Administrator

Approved by:
Hillsborough Board of Selectmen

Date: _____

John P. Stohrer, Chairman

David J. Rogers, Selectman

James C. Bailey III, Selectman