

**MINUTES OF HAVERHILL SELECTBOARD REGULAR MEETING**  
**Monday November 8, 2010**  
**Draft Subject to Review, Correction and Approval at Following Meeting**

**Board Members Present:** Rick Ladd, Wayne Fortier, David Joslin, and Lynn Wheeler.  
Peter Heilemann was excused.

**Town Manager:** Glenn English

**Administrative Assistant/Finance Officer:** Jo Lacaillade

**Members of the Public Present:** Gerald Movelle, Dwight Abbott, Jeannie Robillard, Sherri Sargent, Brad Sargent, Barbara Dutile, Peter Conrad, Richard Rines, and Ed Ballam from the Journal Opinion.

**Call Meeting to Order:**

Chairman Fortier called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda:** Rick Ladd asked that a letter presented by Gerald Movelle to him before the start of the meeting be added to new business. David Joslin made a motion to approve the agenda as amended; the motion was seconded by Lynn Wheeler and carried unanimously.

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

Rick Ladd made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; the motion was seconded by David Joslin and carried unanimously.

**Public Hearings: None**

**Scheduled Public Appearance(s):**

- **Jeannie Robillard-Burch House Presentation:** Jeannie gave an overview of the services Burch House provides to the community and the number of clients from Haverhill that they have provided services too during the past year. After a brief discussion Lynn Wheeler made a motion to add a warrant article in the amount of \$2,840 to the 2011 warrant; the motion was seconded by David Joslin and carried unanimously.
- **Dwight Abbott, Modern Furniture-Request for abatement of interest:** Dwight Abbott explained that they are in the process of purchasing “The Way We Were” building and are asking for an abatement of the interest and penalties portion of the delinquent taxes. After a brief discussion and a review of the precedent set in September 2009 regarding transfers of this type Rick Ladd made a motion to abate interest and penalties in the amount of \$3,996.53 with the condition that the balance is paid within 15 days. The motion was seconded by Lynn Wheeler and carried unanimously.

**Town Manager’s Report:** TM English reported that the carpets in the building had been cleaned over the weekend and that the order for the dividers in the bathrooms would be finalized

in the next couple of days. Once received, an outside contractor would be sought to install the new fixtures.

### **Pending (Old) Business: None**

### **New Business:**

- **Recreation Director Position:** David Joslin stated that he had asked for this item to be added to the agenda. He stated that interim recreation director, Sherri Sargent, has been on the job for a couple of months and he thinks that she should be hired as the permanent full time director. Rick Ladd stated that he had asked many times in the past couple of months for a comprehensive review of the recreation department and a calendar outlining time needs to manage the existing and possible addition of programs. He also feels that the survey is a necessary tool to try to determine the direction of the program. There was a very lengthy discussion regarding the process that the Board is asking for regarding this review; the process that has been decided to fill the position and the time lines needed to accomplish these things. The Board stated that they were not ready to proceed with any final decisions regarding this program until the comprehensive review has been done, submitted for their review and discussed.
- **Request for use of Clifford Building:** Toys for Tots has requested use of an area of the Robert E. Clifford Memorial Building for collection and distribution of their program this year. Lynn Wheeler made a motion to allow that use with no fees charged for the 2010 Christmas season; the motion was seconded by Rick Ladd and carried unanimously.
- **Brooks Road (added at start of meeting):** Gerald Movelle had submitted a letter and spoke of the damage being done to Brooks Road from vehicle travel because the road is so wet right now. He is asking that the road be posted to prohibit vehicular traffic until the ground freezes or dries out. He stated that this had been done a few years ago when the road was in the same condition. Lynn Wheeler made a motion that contingent upon a onsite inspection by the Road Agent or the Town Manager if it was determined to be necessary the road would be closed to vehicular traffic as needed. The motion was seconded by Rick Ladd and carried unanimously.

**Commission/Committee Reports:** AA Lacaillade stated that Interim Recreation Director, Sherri Sargent, had passed along an email she had received from Jennifer Fowler, Recreation Commission member resigning from the Commission due to time constraints. David Joslin made a motion to accept her resignation. The motion was seconded by Rick Ladd and carried unanimously. The Board stated it was with regret that this resignation was accepted and hopes that when time allows in the future Jennifer would consider serving on the commission again.

### **Correspondence: None**

**Comments of the Public:** Barb Dutile voiced concern that there were two broken windows at the armory. TM English said that someone has been contracted to fix them. Barb further stated that this would be a recurring problem until some kind of barrier was placed over the glass to keep balls and such from hitting them. TM English said that it is not in the budget or plans to place any such barriers.

Rich Rines asked if anyone knew why the surveyors were working on Rt. 116. He said they told him it was a project that involved burying the power lines. The Selectboard advised him he would need to contact the State as that is a State road.

**Comments of the Town Manager/Administrative Assistant-Finance Officer:**  
**None**

**Comments of Selectboard Members:** Rick Ladd stated that the road to Bedell Bridge is currently closed but the State will be repairing it in the next week.

**Adjourn Meeting:** David Joslin made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Lynn Wheeler and carried unanimously. Chairman Fortier adjourned the meeting at 8:29 pm.

Minutes transcribed by Jo Lacaillade

Wayne Fortier reminded everyone that Thursday is Veterans Day and there will be a parade in Woodsville at 11:00 am and invited all to attend.