

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
TOWN OF HAMPTON FALLS**

**MARCH 09, 2022 – 6:00 PM
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PRESENT: L. Gargiulo, Chairman; M. R. Lane, Vice Chairman; E. B. Beattie, Selectman
K. Anderson, Town Administrator; R. D. Webb, Town Secretary;

GUESTS: M. Kennedy, Senior Principal, VHB; A. Dittami, Chairman, Depot Road Subcommittee of Parks & Recreation Commission; L. Stan, Chairman, Parks and Recreation Commission; S. Porcelli, Tricentennial Committee

Chairman Gargiulo called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 6:00 PM.

Elections: Reorganization of the Board of Selectmen:

Chairman, of the 2022 Board of Selectmen:

MOTION: To appoint and elect Mark Lane as Chairman.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO

SECOND: E. BEATTIE

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Vice-Chairman, of the 2022 Board of Selectmen:

MOTION: To nominate and elect Edward Beattie as Vice-Chairman.

MOTION: M. LANE

SECOND: L. GARGIULO

2 IN FAVOR, 1 ABSTENTION, PASSES

M. Lane appreciated and accepted the appointment of Chairman and looked forward to another good year. He congratulated L. Gargiulo for winning the election yesterday, and keeping the Board of Selectmen together. M. Lane went on to say that there are a lot of good things that the Selectmen can do over the course of the next year.

OLD BUSINESS:

Financial Reports – General Fund Balance \$2,248,312

K. Anderson reported the General Fund Balance.

Executive: Accounts Payable/Payroll/Treasurer:

K. Anderson presented the Accounts Payable, Payroll, and Treasurer Warrants for the Selectmen's consideration.

Accounts Payable Warrants:

- #802 dated February 16, 2022 in the amount of \$7,879.96, and
- #803 dated February 23, 2022 in the amount of \$46,615.15 and
- #804 dated March 2, 2022 in the amount of \$31,862.18.

AP-Escrow Warrant:

- #02 dated February 23, 2022 in the amount of \$567.90.

MOTION: To approve Accounts Payable Warrant #802 dated February 16, 2022 in the amount of \$7,879.96; Accounts Payable Warrant #803 dated February 23, 2022 in the amount of

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\$46,615.15, Accounts Payable Warrant #804 dated March 2, 2022 in the amount of \$31,862.18, and AP-Escrow Warrant # 02 dated February 23, 2022 in the amount of \$567.90.

MOTION: E. BEATTIE

SECOND: L. GARGIULO

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Payroll Warrants:

- # 567 dated February 16, 2022 in the amount of \$33,397.31, and
- # 568 dated March 2, 2022 in the amount of \$31,552.86.

MOTION: To approve Payroll Warrant # 567 dated February 16, 2022 in the amount of \$33,397.31 and Payroll Warrant #568 dated March 2, 2022 in the amount of \$31,862.18

MOTION: E. BEATTIE

SECOND: L. GARGIULO

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Route 1 Corridor Study Presentation:

Martin Kennedy, Senior Principal, VHB, gave a presentation to the Board of Selectmen based on the draft report submitted previously, and received by the Town January 27, 2022. M. Kennedy acknowledged additional attendees Tobey Reynolds, Chief Project Manager NHDOT; Phil Blum, VHM; and Dave Walker, Rockingham Planning Commission. Please see the draft planning and appendix documents on the Town website at: www.hamptonfalls.org/highway-road-agent (located in the blue area upper left column: 01/27/2022 US Route 1 Draft Corridor Planning Study – 28 pgs & Appendix – 21 pgs) for details.

M. Lane spoke on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and appreciated the effort of the consultants for the work. He stated that he was not surprised by the results but said that it was worth investigating because now the Town understands the various options and their constraints if the Selectmen decide to do anything.

Depot Road Sub-Committee of Parks & Recreation Commission–Status Report:

Alex Dittami presented the report of the Depot Road Subcommittee of Parks and Recreation Commission (DRSPRC).

Specific requests from the DRSPRC:

A. Permission to proceed with two (2) grant applications to hire a consultant to do a comprehensive examination to address the environmental, historical, recreational and economic impact of the existing and potential uses of the Depot Landing Boat Launch area. One grant application is a storm-water management grant, due mid-March (for an amount of \$100K-\$125K), and the second grant application is for a coastal resiliency program, due beginning of July (for an amount up to \$100K).

M. Lane inquired with A. Dittami if the Town were awarded the grants, then who would complete the evaluation, and the response was that a consultant would be hired qualified in environmental, traffic and zoning issues to evaluate on the Town's behalf (not on the State's or Rails-to-Trails' behalf). There have been at least two-dozen studies done on the area with various recommendations.

L. Gargiulo inquired of the costs for preparing the grant application, and A. Dittami responded that the DRSPRC would prepare the grant applications as volunteers, so there would be no costs to the Town

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associated with the grant applications. A. Dittami further elaborated that the grant application is not extensive, as it is a two-page application. He additionally stated that the Board of Selectmen would not be obligated financially in any way to accept the grant, if awarded. K. Anderson added that the Board of Selectmen would be required to hold a Public Hearing to accept the grant award and public comments.

L. Gargiulo asked if a Storm Water Resiliency Study been done by the State, and A. Dittami responded that it has been studied by the State, by the SHEA Estuary Alliance, by UNH three different ways, and the purpose of the grant will be to distill all of those findings from various studies, focusing on the Town's perspective, present recommendations for consideration by the Board of Selectmen.

K. Anderson said that SHEA is applying for a new grant to look at economic impact based on sea-level-rise to individual towns, and will determine Hampton Falls' aggregate economic impacts.

M. Lane stated that he appreciates the time and effort of the DRSPR, and he is in support of the grant applications with the provision that the Board of Selectmen can review the grant applications and make decisions on whether to accept the grants at a later date.

E. Beattie said that there is a concerted effort by the State to eliminate dams, and he continued that the Town should go forward with the grant applications to identify what the Town could do at the Depot. E. Beattie also recommended that the DRSPR look at the newest versions of the tidal maps to identify the King Tide. Tidal zones in Hampton Falls have changed dramatically, as the DRSPR has acknowledged, due to climate change in the past twenty (20) years. M. Lane said that the use of the grants will give the Town information about tidal issues and sea-level-rise and help determine the most pressing issues upon which to focus.

A. Dittami discussed the subject of Rails-to-Trails projects generally, and said that typical residual issues of trail development can be maintenance and patrolling the trails after they are built, which typically become the town's responsibility. For those reasons it is important to make sure that whatever is decided to do fits into the town, without residual issues. The Town also has the ability to expand on the Rails-to-Trails to incorporate the downtown area and the scenic bikeways around town, to take advantage of potential economic impacts that may be identified through the findings of the grants.

MOTION: To move forward with two (2) grant applications, as proposed, to hire a consultant to do a comprehensive examination to address the environmental, historical, recreational, and economic impact of the existing and potential uses of the Depot Landing Boat Launch area.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO

SECOND: E. BEATTIE

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Specific requests from the DRSPRC:

B. Authority to represent the Town with the NH Seacoast Greenway Alliance

Larry Smith and Alex Dittami attended a presentation on the Rails-to-Trails program titled "Analysis of Road Crossings and Access Potential" and they have been invited to represent and coordinate actions on behalf of the Town, subject to the guidance and permissions from the Board of Selectmen.

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The Rails-to-Trails program has outlined areas in Hampton Falls where they would like to establish “Trail Heads” (parking areas to access trail) and it is important to be involved in their discussions. Both M. Lane and L. Gargiulo said that they were in support of the DRSPRC working with the Rails-to-Trails.

MOTION: To allow the DRSPRC to work with the Rails-to-Trails to gather information and present it back to the Board of Selectmen, with the explicit understanding that the DRSPR is not to make any decisions regarding the Rails-to-Trails.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO

SECOND: E. BEATTIE

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Specific requests from the DRSPRC:

C. Approval of permission to proceed with new parking and use regulations for the Depot Landing.

- 1) Approval of concept plan and parking and access plan;
- 2) Approval of proposed regulations and immediate actions

E.Beattie asked if the property has been surveyed, and A. Dittami responded that it has been recently surveyed, with markers left behind, but that no one knows who has done the survey work. L.Stan, Chairman of Parks and Recreation, said that she has sent emails asking if anyone knew who was surveying the Town property at the Depot Landing: was it Until, was it Rail-to-Trails, was it a private interest, and she has not received an informative response. E. Beattie recalled the work that Unitil received approval last year for replacing some utility poles in the marsh, with a staging area off of Brimmer Lane, but he does not believe that the current surveying work is related to that approved work. He further stated that he thought the Conservation Commission should be made aware of this issue, and look at it, as it is within their purview. A. Dittami responded that there is a member of the DRSPRC who is a Conservation Commission member, and that person planned to bring the surveying issue to the attention of the Conservation Commission.

There was a discussion about all aspects of installing signage at the Depot, in terms of number of signs, locations, purpose of signage, etc. L. Gargiulo raised the point that if signs are installed, then it creates the expectation that the signs will be enforced. A. Dittami responded saying that the Police Department would continue to enforce the area, as they have always done. L. Gargiulo followed-up saying that parking enforcement is different from the current type of enforcement at the site, and has anybody asked the Police Department if they are going to be able to enforce new parking rules at the Depot. E. Beattie recalled Police Chief Dirsra telling the Board of Selectmen at an earlier meeting on this subject, that the Police would have a hard time policing the area of the Depot. L. Gargiulo asked how the Police could enforce the resident-only parking, and A. Dittami responded that Parking and Traffic citations are within the Police officers’ discretion, and, additionally, the DRSPRC is proposing utilizing stickers issued by the Town Clerk (much like the Dump stickers) that would be located on the vehicle’s windshield to help identify resident parking. L. Gargiulo pointed out that there a few steps associated with that, that the DRSPRC proposed the Town Clerk would distribute the stickers, and he followed-up with the question, has the DRSPRC asked the Town Clerk about issuing the stickers, and A. Dittami responded no. L. Gargiulo said that these are the elements that are going to have to be solved, like who is going to pay for the stickers, is the Town going to track the individual stickers, are there going to be numbered stickers. A. Dittami responded that no, they are not proposing to number the stickers, and there is not that much detail in the proposal. He was looking for a concept-level decision to either proceed with development of

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a plan of execution, or to not do it at all. L. Stan said that she has checked with other towns to see how they handle resident stickers, and they are distributed either in the tax bills or with car registrations.

A.Dittami said that there is a certain amount of self-policing involved and if signs were installed it would add an action that the Town has taken to represent that the property belongs to the Town, for the benefit of the residents. M. Lane understands the implication of installing signs at the Depot to proclaim the land as Town-owned. He also stated that he understands that there can be loose enforcement at trail heads, for instance in other locations where a payment for parking may or may not be paid dependent on the visitor's belief in the frequency of enforcement. Some of the concerns are that there are still some questions to be answered, such as the stickers, and also the costs. He addressed L. Stan saying that the costs of the signs were something that the Recreation Commission had previously discussed.

E.Beattie said that the parking and signage issue is bigger than the Depot location, and occurs at Marsh Lane and at Raspberry Farm, as he receives complaints from people on those subjects for those locations. He is in support of going through the formal scenario of executing the request for the Depot by the DRSPRC, in addition to looking at installing signage in other areas of Town to look at the issue town-wide, and to purchase and install the same/similar signage in all locations. E. Beattie said that the Selectmen can ascertain how to pay for the signs, and the Road Agent may be able to have them made in fairly short order, once decisions are made. He further requested A. Dittami to detail how to get this proposal done, identify the resources that would be needed, submit the information to K. Anderson, for R. Hilliard to contact the sign vendor for pricing, and then come back to the next Selectmen's meeting, so the Selectmen can determine how the signs can be funded and so that the signs can subsequently be ordered.

E.Beattie asked A. Dittami how the thirteen (13) parking spaces are being designated at the Depot, and the response was that there will not be parking space delineation/no parking stripes. A. Dittami asked for approval of the proposed Rules and Regulations because that defines the content for the signs. Additionally, he said that he would obtain the opinions of the Town Clerk and the Police for the next Selectmen's meeting to detail the implementation. M. Lane agreed to table the discussion of implementation for another meeting. E. Beattie said that the Rules and Regulations should be the same for all locations, for purposes of consistency. K. Anderson clarified the list of eleven (11) proposed rules and regulations, with the note that rule #10 would only be appropriate for the Depot location, as it prohibits vessels in excess of 26-feet, and should not be included on signage for the Raspberry Farm and/or Marsh Lane. M. Lane agreed that it made sense to address issues across town and to be consistent with the signage.

A.Dittami said that to achieve a consistent look at all town-owned parks, the signage at Governor Weare Park also needs to be redone, and it would be great to have all signage at those locations in the same format and style. E. Beattie responded that that would be a longer-term fix than outlining what cars and people can do. He said that he is in favor of celebrating the places and buildings and that's why people come to town.

E.Beattie agreed with an earlier comment of L. Gargiulo's that the Town may need to establish an ordinance to implement enforcement issues at the Depot. All three Selectmen were in agreement with the proposed rules as written.

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MOTION: To approve the proposed Rules and Regulations for the Depot Road Landing, as proposed by the DRSPRC, and listed as rules numbered 1 through 11, in the status report to the Board of Selectmen 03/09/2022.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO

SECOND: E. BEATTIE

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L. Gargiulo commented that he did not think that it made sense to mail every resident a sticker, and A. Dittami responded that what DRSPRC had discussed was only issuing stickers to those who requested them. A. Dittami said that one sticker could serve for the Dump, the Raspberry Farm and the Depot, and L. Gargiulo responded that then the stickers would need to be numbered, and someone would have to track it, and there would have to be a database, and who has access to it, etc. K. Anderson commented that currently the Town Clerk issues numbered Dump Stickers that residents pay \$30 for three-years to obtain. E. Beattie said that “we” can figure out the stickers.

L. Stan appreciated all of the work the DRSPRC has done and offered a round of applause.

OTHER SELECTMEN’S OLD BUSINESS: There was no Other Selectmen’s Old Business.

OLD BUSINESS PUBLIC COMMENT: Bev Mutrie, Brown Road, said that there were old stickers used for Conservation Open Space that were oval shaped, and may still be available, or perhaps any new stickers should be modeled in a similar style.

Consent Agenda:

1. Monthly Financial Reports of Bookkeeper, Treasurer, and Tax Collector:

There is no monthly financial report from the Bookkeeper due to some complications with reconciling the January accounts. As a result of transferring funds between two banks and journal entries to adjust starting balances the Bookkeeper and the Treasurer have been working hard to reconcile. Expenditure reports will be issued for January and February as a combined report within the next week or so. K. Anderson said that they are considering a payroll service, combined with a QuickBooks Pro software program, as a more user-friendly, less expensive, and more efficient solution. The Bookkeeper has reached out to similar towns that use the program for their format to set-up accounts. The Town has already paid for this calendar year with the existing company, and the Town will utilize the rest of the year to download files from the current software to develop historical records for reference moving forward. L. Gargiulo asked if this was a web-based system, and the response was that it is cloud-based. He asked if this solution will address the server problem discussed another time, and the response was no, because the Avitar software used by the Building Dept., Assessor, Town Clerk and Tax Collector is not cloud-based; however, its benefit is the communication between departments.

M. Lane stated that he was fully in support of a payroll company because it will save time, while eliminating some risk, and provide tax filing, etc. K. Anderson added that a payroll service is also a great benefit to employees to be able to look-up inquiries regarding their benefits. K. Anderson stated that she would move forward with the change as proposed as an internal improvement that is cloud-based.

2. Ride to End ALZ New England, Permit for Charity Bicycling Ride,

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June 4, 2022, 7:00 AM to 12:00 PM noon.

This is an annual ride that goes through Hampton Falls, primarily on State Roads, but does require the permit for Town roads.

MOTION: To permit the Ride to End Alzheimer's on June 4, 2022 between the hours of 7AM-Noon.

MOTION: E. BEATTIE

SECOND: L. GARGIULO

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NEW BUSINESS:

E.Beattie reported that there are solar companies who are door-knocking in town for business, who have not registered with the Police Department, so he wants to inform Police Chief Dirsra of this fact to make him aware. M. Lane said that Fox Pest will be next.

Executive: Annual Appointment of Board, Committee, and Staff:

Appointments of staff have been adjusted to read "until another is appointed in your stead" to eliminate the need to re-appoint staff each year. E. Beattie stated that he would like to review the list of appointments in Non-Public Session, as he has another issue for which he was planning to request the Non-Public Session anyway, so he would like to defer discussion of this item to that time. M. Lane agreed.

Zoning Board – John DeLeire; Patricia Young

Conservation Commission – James Kibler; Paul Melanson; MaryAnn Hill

Firefighters – Bryce Parker, Jeremy Waterman, Daniel Calderwood, Alex Ghersi, Walter Moulton, Ralph Martinese, Jeremy Poder, Kristen Haughton

Heritage Commission – Phil Chura

Highway Safety Committee -Jeremy Poder, Robert Regan

Joint Loss Management – Mark Sikorski, Karen Anderson

Police Officer – P/T- Neal Casale, Brad VonHaden, Bruce Preston, Barry Newcomb

Recreation Committee – Phil Chura, Pam Fitzgerald

Solid Waste Committee – Ken Nydam

Tricentennial – Judy Haskel, Glenn Johnson, Ward Dilmore, Linda Keene, Gisela Manna

Executive: Frying Pan Lane Fund Allocation:

K. Anderson reported that the Town received the 2022 allocation from the NH Charitable Trust – Frying Pan Lane Fund in the amount of \$52,883.61. With the upcoming Tricentennial she recommended that it may be appropriate for the Board of Selectmen to delay making any specific allocations until after the Tricentennial events, in order to ensure that there are sufficient funds available to cover expenses. No motion is needed if the allocations are not made at this time – individual requests can be approved as appropriate.

Current funds remaining, based on 2021 allocations:

Library - \$7,250 allocated - \$850.00 remaining

Recreation - \$5,000 allocated - \$3,125 remaining

Tricentennial - \$33,091 allocated - \$20,130 remaining

Historical Society - \$5,000 allocated - \$5,000 remaining

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Town Clerk – Records Preservation - \$5,000 allocated - \$85.00 remaining

M. Lane said that he wanted time to think about potential projects, in terms of the criteria of the Frying Pan Lane Fund and so he was in support of deferring decisions on allocation of these monies at this time. E. Beattie reminded the Selectmen of how they handled this last year, by asking Department Heads if there were projects for which they have not budgeted that would benefit the whole Town, that may fit the criteria of the fund. M. Lane said that, in light of the discussion earlier in the evening about signage and parking at Raspberry Farm, perhaps there is a project in increasing the size of the parking lot, in that location, as a potential project.

Executive: Veterans Credits:

Applications for Veterans Credits have been reviewed and applicants qualify.

MOTION: To approve the Veterans Credit for Donald Towler, Map 7 Lot 68-15 and Victor Ricardo, Map 8 Lot 47.

MOTION: E. BEATTIE

SECOND: L. GARGIULO

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Executive: Elderly Exemption:

Application for Elderly Exemption for Victor Ricardo, Map 7 Lot 68. Applicant qualifies based on assets and income with all documents verified.

MOTION: To approve the Elderly Exemption Victor Ricardo, Map 8 Lot 47.

MOTION: E. BEATTIE

SECOND: L. GARGIULO

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Executive: Solar Exemptions:

Applications have been received and reviewed for Solar Exemptions for Map 5/ Lot 53-6 and Map 2/ Lot 85. The properties qualify for the exemption. The approval of these Solar Exemptions will have no impact on the 2022 assessed value of the Town as they are new systems installed after April 1, 2021 and have not been added to the tax base.

MOTION: To approve the Solar Exemptions for Map 5/ Lot 53-6 and Map 2/ Lot 85.

MOTION: E. BEATTIE

SECOND: L. GARGIULO

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Executive: Abatement:

This abatement is for a trailer that had been located at Wakeda that burned in October, 2021. The tax bill was issued based on the fact that it existed on April 1, 2021 and was issued to the person registered with Wakeda, Michael Williams. Mr. Williams has notified us that he was not the legal owner of the unit. The cost of any legal actions to try and recover the taxes from the legal owner will far exceed the amount due. (This is the unit that burned without anyone's knowledge that the Fire Department responded to after the fact.)

MOTION: To abate \$215.00 plus all interest and costs that have accrued for Map 6-39-A-26 billed to Michael Williams.

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**MOTION: E. BEATTIE
SECOND: L. GARGIULO
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Financial Administration: Replacement of Town Server:

K. Anderson reported that the server for the town office has not been reliable lately and Stellar Networks, the Town's IT contractor, has recommended replacement with an increased storage capacity. The replacement costs would be \$4,427.87 along with installation and migration costs of \$2,250.00. K. Anderson priced the quoted equipment through Dell Direct and the cost Stellar is providing is approximately \$75 less. The increased server capacity will provide the space for the building records that Abby Tonry has been scanning and preparing for on-line access as well. M. Lane asked how old the current server is, and the response was seven (7) years old. M. Lane asked how is data currently backed-up, and the response was that it is backed-up to the cloud on an hourly basis continuously, at a cost of \$99 monthly.

MOTION: To authorize the purchase of a new server in the amount of \$4,427.87 plus installation, and to authorize the expense to come from the Town Communication Fund.

**MOTION: L. GARGIULO
SECOND: E. BEATTIE
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Planning: Invitation to attend April 26th Planning Board meeting -Presentation of Seacoast Transportation Corridor Vulnerability Assessment by Dave Walker, Assistant Director of Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC). The Board of Selectmen are invited to attend the Planning Board meeting on April 26th to view the presentation by Dave Walker of RPC. The presentation has been previously seen by Andy Brubaker (RPC Commissioner), who said that it is very good, and that it is approximately 20 minutes in duration. This presentation will be the first item on the agenda starting at 7:00 PM.

Highways: Authority to Proceed to Bidding – Drainage work on Glenwood / Crestview / Woodlawn:

K. Anderson described that Jones & Beach Engineers have prepared the bid documents for the proposed Drainage Improvements Plan on Woodlawn/ Crestview /Glenwood and they are requesting permission to proceed with sending out the RFPs. This project is located on the list of the Road Agent projects for the \$250,000 annual appropriation. L. Gargiulo asked if any of this proposed project would be eligible under any grants. K. Anderson responded that grant money is available for culverts with fish passages. L. Gargiulo and E. Beattie both said that this should qualify. K. Anderson said that the paperwork has not yet been released for that grant, but that she would follow-up.

MOTION: To authorize Jones and Beach Engineers to proceed with the bid process for the Drainage Improvements Plan for the Glenwood/ Crestview/ Woodlawn project.

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Highways: Authority to Proceed with the Culvert Rehabilitation Permitting for the 70 Drinkwater Road Culvert:

K. Anderson described that Jones & Beach Engineers have prepared a proposal to complete the engineering and permit services for the Culvert Rehabilitation Permitting for the 70 Drinkwater Road Culvert in the amount of \$11,500. The estimate that the Road Agent had made earlier was \$30,000, so this is a much better number. And if there is a connection to a river or stream and if there are fish in that culvert, then the culvert project may be eligible for the grant program mentioned earlier as well.

MOTION: To approve the proposal from Jones & Beach Engineers for Culvert Rehabilitation Permitting for the 70 Drinkwater Road Culvert in the amount of \$11,500 and to authorize Jones and Beach Engineers to act on the Town's behalf.

MOTION: E. BEATTIE

SECOND: L. GARGIULO

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Tricentennial Events:

E.Beattie presented the proposal of holding a couple of Trolley Tours during the Tricentennial for two (2) Historic Site Tours, one on August 1st from 9:30 to 12:30, and one on August 4th from 3:30 to 6:30 for a total of \$1,398. E. Beattie explained that it was important to reserve this event with payment in order to hold the date and lock it into the Tricentennial schedule. Both M. Lane and L. Gargiulo were in support of this proposed expenditure to be paid from the Frying Pan Lane fund.

MOTION: To reserve the Trolley for two (2) Historic Site Tours 08/01 (9:30 to 12:30) and 08/04 (3:30 to 6:30) as requested for the Tricentennial, in the amount of \$1,398 to be paid from the Frying Pan Lane fund.

MOTION: M. LANE

SECOND: L. GARGIULO

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S. Porcelli, Taylor River Rd, Tricentennial Committee offered to make a full presentation to the Board of Selectmen at their next meeting in two weeks. That presentation will consist of the proposed schedule of events for the Tricentennial celebration July 31, 2022, through August 6, 2022 including the proposed timing of events and proposed costs. The Tricentennial Committee plans to bring some requested approvals forward, for consideration by the Selectmen; requested authorizations from the Board of Selectmen to proceed with booking specific events and requested payments to secure certain events.

Other Selectmen's New Business: None.

NEW BUSINESS PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

Monthly Reports – Selectmen's Representative Reports:

Planning Board, Library Trustees, Tricentennial Committee – E. Beattie: E. Beattie reported that the Planning Board is currently reviewing Unital's annual Scenic Road Alteration permit for maintenance and hazardous tree removal along specific Scenic Roads in Hampton Falls. The Planning Board will be conducting a Site Walk March 15th to examine the trees proposed for removal on Unital's Hazardous Trees list, and then the Planning Board will be reconvening at their regular meeting March 22 when Unital's application will be continued. E. Beattie wants people to know that Unital is going to be in town

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trimming and cutting, and they are restricted by the Planning Board through the Zoning Ordinance because of the Scenic Roads in terms of how much and the dimensions of what can be cut/trimmed.

E.Beattie reported that the Library Trustees have been discussing a walkway, but he did not attend the meeting as he was out of state and the meeting was held at 3:00pm. He said that he sent an email to the Library Trustees saying that if the Trustees had anything to bring before the Board of Selectmen to let them know.

E.Beattie informed the Board of Selectmen that the Tricentennial Committee had a long meeting Monday night completing the schedule of events, and that they may have deferred three or four things but most were unanimous. There are some cost factors which will be brought to the Board of Selectmen in two weeks for consideration and approval.

Parks & Recreation, LAS School Board, Rt. 1 Corridor Advisory Committee – M. Lane: M. Lane informed the Board of Selectmen that he did not have much to report regarding the Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) because the PRC has not met recently, except what he previously reported about events planned for Summer 2022.

The School update from M. Lane was that there was not much to report other than the two new Board members (winners) from the prior day's election, Renee Palm (new School Board member) and Barbara Goodwin (won re-election to the School Board). The other news item for Lincoln Akerman School was the plan to go "mask optional" effective Monday.

M. Lane stated that he did not need to make comments regarding the Route 1 Corridor Advisory Committee because of the thorough presentation by the consultants earlier in the meeting.

Heritage Commission, Conservation Commission – L. Gargiulo: L. Gargiulo reported that both meetings of the Heritage Commission and the Conservation Commission were held yesterday, and that he was not in attendance.

Board of Selectmen Committee assignments were determined to stay the same as in 2021 as follows:

Board/Commissions /Committees	2022
Library Trustees	Edward B. Beattie
Planning Board	Edward B. Beattie
School Board	Mark R. Lane
Tricentennial Committee	Edward B. Beattie
Heritage Commission	Lou Gargiulo
Conservation Commission	Lou Gargiulo
Parks & Recreation Commission	Mark R. Lane

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: February 16, 2022

MOTION: To approve the minutes of February 16, 2022 as written.

MOTION: E. BEATTIE

Mark R. Lane, Chairman — Edward B. Beattie, Vice-Chairman — Lou Gargiulo, Selectman

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TOWN HALL**

FINAL

**SECOND: L. GARGIULO
UNANIMOUS**

Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made at 7:55 PM by E. Beattie and seconded by L. Gargiulo.

Specific Statutory Reason cited as foundation for the nonpublic session:

RSA 91-A:3, II (a) Personnel: *The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a public meeting, and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.*

Roll Call vote to enter nonpublic session:	Mark R. Lane, Chairman	Y
	Edward B. Beattie, Vice Chairman	Y
	Louis Gargiulo, Selectman	Y

Entered nonpublic session at 8:05 p.m.

Review of personnel matter.

Motion to leave nonpublic session and return to public session by L. Gargiulo, seconded by E. Beattie.

Motion: PASSED

Public session reconvened at 9:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 9:31 p.m.

MOTION: L. GARGIULO

SECOND: E. BEATTIE

UNANIMOUS

These minutes prepared by Rachel D. Webb, Town Secretary; Town of Hampton Falls, NH.

Next Selectmen's Meeting Wednesday, March 23, 2022 6:00 PM