

**TOWN OF HOPKINTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Date: May 1-4, 2006
Middle School (Room 254)
MINUTES**

MAY 1, 2006

Public Meeting Opened/Move into Executive Session

Members Present: F. Eric Sonnett, Chairman; Leonard A. Holden, Vice Chairman; Ronald M. Clark (arrived at 6:45 p.m.); Mary C. Pratt; Muriel E. Kramer

Others Present: Attorney Laurence Faiman, Town Counsel (arrived at 6:30 p.m.); Theodore D. Kozak, Executive Secretary (arrived at 6:35 p.m.), and Geri Holland, Executive Assistant.

6:15 p.m. Mr. Sonnett, Chairman, opened the public session.

Legal Assistance request: Land Use Study Committee

Mr. Sonnett said that the Land Use Study Committee requests legal assistance from a law firm whose expertise is in bankruptcy to protect the Town's 61A right in the ongoing bankruptcy case involving Weston Nurseries. He said that Town Counsel would recommend a law firm.

Vote: Mr. Sonnet entertained a motion to approve the Land Use Study Committee's request for up to 25 hours of legal assistance from a law firm whose expertise is in bankruptcy and to approve a rate of up to \$300 per hour. **So moved Mrs. Kramer. Second Mrs. Pratt. Unanimously voted.**

Annual Town Meeting warrant: Article 11 (53E ½ Account)

Mr. Sonnett said that the Board should vote to support Article 11 (53E ½ account) on the Annual Town Meeting warrant.

Vote: Mr. Sonnett entertained a motion to support Article 11 on the Annual Town meeting warrant. **So moved Mrs. Kramer. Second Mrs. Pratt. Unanimously voted.**

Vote: Mr. Sonnett entertained a motion to move into executive session for the purpose to discuss litigation. **So moved Mr. Holden. Second Mrs. Kramer.** The roll call votes follow: **Mr. Sonnett: yes; Mrs. Pratt: yes; Mrs. Kramer: yes. Unanimously voted.**

Meeting re-open public session for the purpose to continue the meeting at the ATM

6:45 p.m. The Board re-convened the meeting at the 2006 Annual Town meeting in the Middle School's auditorium that commences at 7:00 p.m.

MAY 2, 2006

Members Present: F. Eric Sonnett, Chairman; Leonard A. Holden, Vice Chairman; Ronald M. Clark; Mary C. Pratt; Muriel E. Kramer

Others Present: Attorney Laurence Faiman, Town Counsel (arrived at 6:30 p.m.); Stuart Cowart, Chairman of the Appropriation Committee; Theodore D. Kozak, Executive Secretary, and Geri Holland, Executive Assistant.

6:05 p.m. Vote: Mr. Sonnett re-opened the meeting and entertained a motion to move into executive session for the purpose to discuss litigation and then move back into public session for the purpose to continue the public meeting at the Annual Town meeting in the Middle School auditorium. **So moved Mr. Clark. Second Mr. Holden. The roll call votes follow: Mr. Sonnett: yes; Mr. Holden: yes; Mr. Clark: yes; Mrs. Pratt: yes; Mrs. Kramer: yes. Unanimously voted.**

6:45 p.m. The Board re-convened the meeting at the 2006 Annual Town meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School's auditorium.

MAY 3, 2006

Members Present: F. Eric Sonnett, Chairman; Leonard A. Holden, Vice Chairman; Ronald M. Clark; Mary C. Pratt; Muriel E. Kramer

Others Present: Attorney Theodore D. Kozak, Executive Secretary, and Geri Holland, Executive Assistant.

6:10 p.m. Vote: Mr. Sonnett re-convened the meeting in the Middle School's Room 254, and entertained a motion to approve to sign Police Chief Irvin's and Fire Chief Daugherty's five (5) year contracts. **So moved Mrs. Kramer. Second Mr. Clark. Unanimously voted.**

As there was no new business, the Board re-convened the meeting at the Annual Town Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Middle School auditorium.

MAY 4, 2006

Members Present: F. Eric Sonnett, Chairman; Leonard A. Holden, Vice Chairman; Ronald M. Clark

Others Present: Theodore D. Kozak, Executive Secretary, and Geri Holland, Executive Assistant.

6:35 p.m. The Board re-convened the public meeting in the Middle School's Room 254. As there was no new business, members of the Board re-convened the meeting at the Annual Town Meeting in the Middle School Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

The Annual Town meeting was adjourned at 12:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Geri Holland
Executive Assistant

Date Approved: 5/9/06