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# TOWN OF BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE SELECTBOARD

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Minutes Selectboard Monday, August 19, 2013

Selectboard members Darrell Philpot, John Carr, Susan Adams and Brendan Denehy were present along with Town Administrator Tad Putney.

Also present were Ann Somers, Loring Webster, Keith Thompson and Helen Ballou.

**Darrell** expressed condolences on behalf of the Selectboard to the Austin Family on the passing of Elizabeth (Kate) Austin. She was our oldest resident at 96.

#### Minutes

John moved, seconded by Sue to approve the public session minutes of August 5<sup>th</sup>. Voted yes 3-0; Brendan abstained.

Sue moved, seconded by John to approve the five sets of non public session minutes of August 5<sup>th</sup>. Voted yes 3-0; Brendan abstained.

#### Warrants

The Selectboard approved warrant # 34 in the amount of \$32,232.04 and payroll in the amount of \$43,466.84.

#### **Old Home Days**

**Darrell** announced that Old Home Days is this week: Thursday and Friday from 6 - 10 pm; Saturday all day and Sunday from 12 - 5 pm.

#### Town Hall - Daniels Academy Building

**Brendan** noted that on August 29, 1913 the Daniels Academy Building (Town Hall) was dedicated to public use. Thomas Dodge donated \$15,000 to build an academy for boys and girls, library and town offices in his wife Eliza's memory. The building cost \$17,000 to build. It was used as a school until 1967 and library until 1992. The land was donated by the Swett family.

#### **Town Hall Renovations**

Tad reported that the facilities committee met and recommended CMG for the renovations to the lower town hall. The cost was reduced to \$34,000 by reducing to one coat of paint, eliminating 2 new doors to the building inspector's area and removal of cameras in the old holding cells. Brendan moved, seconded by Sue to award the contract to CMG Building & Remodeling for the amount of \$34,000. Voted yes 4-0.

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#### CIP

Tad said he met with Dennis LaBombard to look at the town hall. He said there was no indication of structural issues. Dennis said it would cost about \$3,000 for a structural analysis to be done, but he did not think it was necessary. Tad said the town hall was last painted in 2006. The cost today would be about \$16,000 but could be done in two stages; \$7,500 for the front and back and about \$9,000 for the sides the following year. Brendan again said he would like to add \$5,000 in 2014 to evaluate the cemeteries and \$10,000 in 2015 for repair of head stones in the cemeteries. He said we have a moral obligation to take care of the head stones. Darrell said we need to find out what we are obligated to do for the care of the cemeteries. Keith said we're preparing for our 250<sup>th</sup> celebration and we should take care of our cemeteries. Tad said he checked with Terry Knowles at the Governor's Office who said perpetual care funds cannot be used unless the funds were given for that particular lot. Neither the principal nor any growth on the principal may be expended from the trust funds for general repairs.

# **2012 Audit**

The Selectboard reviewed the draft of the 2012 Audit. **Tad** said he and Rena had a telephone conference call with Mike Campo to review the audit. The things we need to address are a disaster recovery policy and written procedures on processing the payroll and paying our vendors. It was agreed that such written procedures will be completed by year end.

#### **Phones**

Tad analyzed the cost of phone service with our current provider EarthLink vs. FairPoint. He said the average monthly costs for EarthLink is \$715.98 and a 3-year contract with FairPoint for 22 phone lines is \$702.02. Tad said with FairPoint we will have a dedicated person in NH 24/7 and suggested we move our phone service to FairPoint. John moved, seconded by Sue to sign a 3-year contract for phone service with FairPoint. Voted yes 4-0.

#### Iron Works Lane

Tad reported that the Hollis Selectmen want to continue the present agreement for the next 3 years for the amount of \$1,815 annually. It was agreed Tad would talk to Hollis town administrator Troy Brown to see if a compromise can be reached.

#### TE Sidewalk Grant

Tad said the project has been advertised and bids are due by noon on August 30<sup>th</sup>. The DOT will need to review the bids. Another meeting may be needed to award the contract.

## **Chapel**

Another religious group has asked for space to hold weekly services and offered 1/3 of their receipts. **Sue** said we need to treat them the same as the other group. **Darrell** said it's a matter of scheduling and equity. **Tad** will contact them.

#### Legislative Bulletin

Tad said the main points from the bulletin are as follows: as of January 1, 2014 towns need to report the hours of any retirees still working to the NH Retirement System; towns can now establish contingency funds; warrants can be signed outside of meetings and burning of untreated wood at the

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transfer station will now be permitted on a permanent basis. **Darrell** said he feels there's a conflict with signing warrants outside of a meeting.

#### Pole License

The Selectboard signed the pole license for Captain Seaver Road.

# Safety Complex - Police Dept.

Tad said the open house for the police station will be Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 1 pm.

## **Propane Bids**

Tad said bids have been sent out to 12 companies for propane in town buildings.

# Mason Rd/Meetinghouse Hill Rd

Tad said he noticed that the state painted the double yellow lines on Mason Road and Meetinghouse Hill Road.

## Non Public Session

Darrell moved, seconded by John to go into non public session under RSA 91-A: 3 (e) litigation. Voted yes 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Minutes submitted by Rena Duncklee.

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| 1010 · General Checking Acc't |              |                                    |           |           |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44676        | Aflac                              | W#34-2013 | -453.30   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44677        | AFSCME Council 93                  | W#34-2013 | -128.90   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44678        | Benjamin Senter                    | W#34-2013 | -7.94     |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44679        | Bennett & Philip Chandler          | W#34-2013 | -4.04     |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44680        | Brigham Industries Inc             | W#34-2013 | -82.00    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44681        | Bulldog Fire Apparatus Inc         | W#34-2013 | -247.82   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44682        | Business Card                      | W#34-2013 | -845.37   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44683        | C L Farwell Construction LLC       | W#34-2013 | -9,882.00 |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44684        | Calvin Sandford                    | W#34-2013 | -63.86    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44685        | Cartridge World                    | W#34-2013 | -86.98    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44686        | Charles E Bunker                   | W#34-2013 | -209.00   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44687        | Chem Serve                         | W#34-2013 | -979.00   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44688        | CMG Building & Remodeling          | W#34-2013 | -3,400.00 |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44689        | D.C. Slocomb Co., LLC              | W#34-2013 | -425.00   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44690        | DeMoulas Supermarkets Inc          | W#34-2013 | -50.00    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44691        | Devine Millimet & Branch           | W#34-2013 | -2,700.15 |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44692        | Drescher & Dokmo                   | W#34-2013 | -3,752.65 |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44693        | Eastern Propane & Oil              | W#34-2013 | -396.27   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44694        | Francis Dougherty                  | W#34-2013 | -9.99     |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44695        | Gall's Inc                         | W#34-2013 | -474.23   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44696        | Granite State Concrete Co Inc      | W#34-2013 | -201.74   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44697        | Harvey Recycling of Fitchburg LLC  | W#34-2013 | -469.39   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44698        | ISG/INFRASYS                       | W#34-2013 | -45.00    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44699        | John Leslie Consulting             | W#34-2013 | -20.00    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44700        | Kinney Towing & Transportation Inc | W#34-2013 | -428.00   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44701        | LexisNexis                         | W#34-2013 | -50.00    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44702        | Maillet's Water Works              | W#34-2013 | -85.00    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44703        | Make A Wish Foundation of NH       | W#34-2013 | -100.00   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44704        | Massachusetts Dept. of Revenue     | W#34-2013 | -352.00   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44705        | MD's Trash Removal Inc             | W#34-2013 | -147.75   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44706        | Metropolitan Life                  | W#34-2013 | -1,475.00 |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44707        | NH Dept. of Health & Human Serv    | W#34-2013 | -502.00   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44708        | NH Superior Repair                 | W#34-2013 | -436.18   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44709        | Northeast Utilities A              | W#34-2013 | -300.00   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44710        | Olde Tyme Army Navy Inc            | W#34-2013 | -32.95    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44711        | Pitney Bowes - P                   | W#34-2013 | -24.99    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44712        | Rena Duncklee                      | W#34-2013 | -77.51    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44713        | Reserve Account                    | W#34-2013 | -400.00   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44714        | Sanel Auto Parts                   | W#34-2013 | -143.16   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44715        | Scott Knowles.                     | W#34-2013 | -240.00   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44716        | Staples Contract & Commercial      | W#34-2013 | -36.40    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44717        | State of NH-Criminal Records       | W#34-2013 | -25.00    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44718        | State of NH - DMV                  | W#34-2013 | -15.00    |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44719        | TDS Telecom                        | W#34-2013 | -145.86   |  |  |  |
| 8/19/2013                     | 44720        | The Telegraph                      | W#34-2013 | -133.20   |  |  |  |
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| 8/19/2013  | 44721      | United Site Services | W#34-2013 | -55.50    |
| 8/19/2013  | 44722      | Verizon Wireless     | W#34-2013 | -160.04   |
| 8/19/2013  | 44723      | Wesley N. Whittier   | W#34-2013 | -40.00    |
| 8/19/2013  | 44724      | WEX Bank             | W#34-2013 | -1,891.87 |
| Total 1010 | -32,232.04 |                      |           |           |
| TOTAL      | -32,232.04 |                      |           |           |

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