

**TOWN OF WALPOLE  
MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD  
JANUARY 5, 2012**

Selectboard Present: Whitney Aldrich (Chair); Jamie Teague, Sheldon Sawyer

Mr. Aldrich called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM in the Walpole Town Hall with seven people present in the audience.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS:**

**BILL DAHER:** Mr. Daher had some questions relative to the assessment on his property and Current Use. He does not feel that it is assessed properly therefore asked what the procedure is to have it checked again. Mr. Sawyer explained that he would have to submit an Abatement form for the assessment; it has to be returned to the office by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. Mrs. Clough noted that they will go back to the 2011 property taxes. If Mr. Daher makes a decision to add acreage to his Current Use land he will have to complete a Current Use application for that.

**HOLLY GOWDY:** Mrs. Gowdy advised that March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012, is one of the dates on their Farmers Market schedule but it is also Town Meeting day. They are trying to find another location for that day. On Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> they are going to feature fiber so they will have knitters. She asked if a vendor could bring in a bunny in a cage. There was a consensus of the Selectboard to approve this request provided they have something under the cage to protect the floor. When they are able to move their Farmers Market outside to the Common they are going to try a time change from 3:00-to-6:00 pm to 3:30-to-6:30 PM as people have told them that they cannot get there until 3:30 so they were encouraged to change the hours.

**RECESS SELECTBOARD MEETING:**

Mrs. Teague moved to recess the Selectboard meeting. The Selectboard will enter into a Hooper Trustees meeting. Seconded by Mr. Sawyer. With all in favor, the motion was approved. The time was 7:51 PM.

**HOOPER TRUSTEES MEETING**

Mr. Aldrich called this Hooper Trustees meeting to order at 7:54 PM.

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION:**

Mrs. Teague moved to enter into a Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II to discuss ( d) Acquisition, Sale or Lease of Real or Personal Property. Mr. Sawyer seconded the motion and, on a roll call vote with all in favor, the motion was approved.

The regular meeting resumed at 8:39 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mrs. Teague moved to adjourn this Hooper Trustees Meeting. The Hooper Trustees will resume their meeting as Selectboard members. The Minutes will be sealed. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

**SELECTBOARD MEETING (Continued)**

Mr. Aldrich resumed the regular Selectboard meeting at 8:41 PM.

**HOOPER STUDY COMMITTEE:** Mrs. Peggy Pschirrer, Chair of the Hooper Study Committee, reported that they have met three times. She distributed a copy of the Agenda for the next meeting on Monday. At this meeting they will be putting together questions to ask Attorney Hockensmith during the January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting when he will be present. She asked all committee members to read his correspondence on taxation and that includes reading the cases. In February they will talk about the Hooper Institute and she would like to schedule that meeting there. During the December meetings they discussed finances. Mrs. Pschirrer feels that the Trustees of The Hooper Trust should have a spending policy and a budget. In March they will study golf courses.

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION:**

Mrs. Teague moved to enter into a Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II to discuss (a) Personnel. Mr. Sawyer seconded the motion and, on a roll call vote with all in favor, the motion was approved. The time was 8:57 PM.

The regular meeting resumed at 9:14 PM. No announcements were made.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

Mr. Sawyer moved to approve the Accounts Payable check register and manifest in the amount of \$27,787.00. Seconded by Mrs. Teague. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

**PAYROLL:**

Mr. Sawyer moved to approve the payroll voucher for the week ending December 31, 2011, for checks dated January 6, 2012, for gross wages in the amount of \$17,676.43. Seconded by Mrs. Teague. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

Mrs. Teague moved to approve the electronic fund transfer for the 941 Employer Taxes for Withholding, MEDI and FICA taxes in the amount of \$4,043.81. Seconded by Mr. Sawyer. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

**SELECTBOARD MEETING:**

**SELECTBOARD MEETING – December 22, 2011:** Mr. Sawyer moved to approve the Minutes of the December 22, 2011, Selectboard meeting as printed. Seconded by Mr. Aldrich. With Mr. Sawyer and Mr. Aldrich in favor, the minutes were approved. Mrs. Teague abstained as she was not present.

**SELECTBOARD NON-PUBLIC SESSION – December 22, 2011:** Mr. Sawyer moved to approve the Minutes of the December 22, 2011, Selectboard Non-Public Session as printed. The Minutes will remain sealed. Seconded by Mr. Aldrich. With Mr. Sawyer and Mr. Aldrich in favor, the minutes were approved. Mrs. Teague abstained as she was not present.

**SELECTBOARD MEETING – December 29, 2011:** Mrs. Teague moved to approve the Minutes of the December 29, 2011, Selectboard meeting as printed. Seconded by Mr. Aldrich. With Mrs. Teague and Mr. Aldrich in favor, the minutes were approved. Mr. Sawyer abstained as he was not present.

**SELECTBOARD NON-PUBLIC SESSION – December 29, 2011:** Mrs. Teague moved to approve the Minutes of the Selectboard Non-Public Session of December 29, 2011, as printed. The Minutes will remain sealed. Seconded by Mr. Aldrich. With Mrs. Teague and Mr. Aldrich in favor, the minutes were approved. Mr. Sawyer abstained as he was not present.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

The Selectboard received and reviewed the Minutes of the following meetings:

- North Walpole Village District Board of Commissioners – January 3, 2012; and
- Zoning Board of Adjustment – December 21, 2011.

**ABATEMENTS:**

**WATER & SEWER ABATEMENT: Hubbard Homestead, LLC., 16 Old North Main Street, Map & Lot # 012-030-000:** Mr. Sawyer moved to grant the Abatement for Water in the amount of \$63.00 and Sewer in the amount of \$36.00 for Hubbard Homestead, LLC. There has been no usage since September. Seconded by Mrs. Teague. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**CEMETERY DEED – Scadova, Blackjack Crossing, Lot # D-417:** Mrs. Teague moved to approve the Cemetery Deed for Lot # D417 for David and Rose Scadova. Seconded by Mr. Sawyer. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

**CONCERTS ON THE GREEN:** Mrs. Teague moved to approve the time change for the Summer Concerts to 6:30 to 8:00 PM as requested by the Savings Bank of Walpole. Seconded by Mr. Sawyer. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENT:** Mrs. Teague moved to appoint Mike Thomas Tallett as a police officer in the Town of Walpole. Seconded by Mr. Sawyer. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

**TOWN HALL BUILDING:** Mrs. Clough had an inquiry from someone who would like to use the Town Hall to train her dog during these winter months. The Selectboard was not in favor of this use for the Town Hall.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**COMPENSATION TIME:** The Selectboard acknowledged receipt of the response from the Local Government Center on the accruing of compensation time.

**ATTORNEY CORRESPONDENCE:** The Selectboard received a letter from Attorney Hockensmith regarding the collection of an unpaid water bill.

Mr. Sawyer moved to write off the bill for an unpaid water bill issued for usage between September 1, 2006 and January 29, 2007, as it is uncollectible. Seconded by Mrs. Teague. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

**RECESS SELECTBOARD MEETING:**

Mrs. Teague moved to recess this Selectboard meeting. The Selectboard will enter into a meeting as the Hooper Trustees. Seconded by Mr. Sawyer. With all in favor, the motion was approved. The time was 9:47 PM.

**HOOPER TRUSTEES MEETING**

Mr. Aldrich called this Hooper Trustees meeting to order.

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION:**

Mrs. Teague moved to enter into a Non-Public Session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II to discuss (d) Acquisition, Sale or Lease of Real or Personal Property. Mr. Sawyer seconded the motion and, on a roll call vote with all in favor, the motion was approved.

The regular meeting resumed at 9:58 PM.

**HOOPER GOLF CLUB ASSOCIATION LEASE:** Mr. Sawyer moved to make some changes in the proposed lease and then the Selectboard will sign the lease and send it to the Hooper Golf Club Association. Seconded by Mrs. Teague. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mrs. Teague moved to adjourn this Hooper Trustees meeting. The Hooper Trustees will return to the Selectboard meeting. Seconded by Mr. Sawyer. With all in favor, the motion was approved.

**SELECTBOARD MEETING (Continued)**

Mr. Aldrich called this recessed Selectboard meeting to order.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mrs. Teague moved to adjourn this meeting. Seconded by Mr. Sawyer. With all in favor, the motion was approved. The time was 10:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Regina Borden, Recording Secretary

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Whitney R. Aldrich, Chair

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Jamie J. Teague

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Sheldon S. Sawyer

(**Note:** These are unapproved Minutes. Corrections, if necessary, will be found in the Minutes of the January 12, 2012, Selectboard meeting.)