

**Board of Selectman Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 24, 2011**

Chairman Bruce Bowler, Tom Grella, Dwight Brew were present. Also present were Town Administrator Jim O'Mara and minute taker Chris Woodbury.

Call to Order

Mr. Bowler called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of allegiance was lead by Caroline Quinn.

Citizen's Forum

Administrative Business

Approval of minutes for October 11, 2011

Mr. Brew moved to Mr. Grella seconded table minutes Vote: unanimous

Approval of Accounts Payable Register in the amount of \$345,552.00 for the period October 13th through October 18th

Mr. Grella moved to Mr. Brew seconded pending view and audit Vote: unanimous

Approval of Payroll Register in the amount of \$165,589.14 for pay date October 20, 2011 as well as severance and final buyout of an employee.

Mr. Brew moved to Mr. Grella seconded Vote: unanimous

Mr. O'Mara recommended a Meeting deliberative session on Thursday February 9th, 2011.

Mr. Brew moved to Mr. Grella seconded Vote: unanimous

Town Administrator Report

Determine date of deliberative session

Action Items

40 Award retired cruiser bid
41 Mr. O'Mara discussed the highest bid shown on the cruiser bid opening,
42 which was Chicago Motors Inc.

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44 **Mr. Brew moved to Mr. Grella seconded to accept the bid Vote:**
45 **unanimous**

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47 Mr. O'Mara listed the other bidders listed on the document such as Bay
48 Ridge Motors Inc, William Doucette's Auto Sales, Jersey One Auto Sales,
49 and Grace Quality Used Cars Inc.

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52 **Approve**

53 ~Approve antiques on the green on September 15, 2012

54 **Mr. Grella moved to Mr. Brew seconded Vote: unanimous**

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56 ~Approve application for charitable solicitation – Nashua pastoral care
57 center

58 Mr. O'Mara asked board to authorized and approve chair execute doc

59 **Mr. Brew moved to Mr. Grella seconded Vote: unanimous**

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61 Authorized board members to sign the provided document

62 **Mr. Brew moved to Mr. Grella seconded Vote: unanimous**

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64 ~PSNH pole license

65 Execute 3 documents

66 **Mr. Grella moved to Mr. Brew seconded Vote: unanimous**

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68 ~Accept anonymous PMEC donation

69 The board was asked to accept and extent for road signs using the \$800
70 in unanticipated revenue.

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72 **Mr. Brew moved to Mr. Grella seconded Vote: unanimous**

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74 Mr. Bowler was thankful.

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76 ~Approve use of the commons Friday June 8th 2012 for Wilkins school
77 history week

78 3rd grade students

79 **Mr. Grella moved to Mr. Brew seconded Vote: unanimous**

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81 Mr. O'Mara stated the request for Donna S. Waterman to the position of
82 Executive Assistant.

83 **Mr. Brew moved to Mr. Grella seconded to appoint Donna S.**

84 **Waterman to the position of Executive Assistant Vote unanimous**

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86 Mr. Bowler announced the tax time due date is December 1st.

87 In the 2010 valuation it states that property value went down

88 approximately \$310,000. Due to the recent decrease in property values

89 since the last town wide valuation update performed in April 2006,

90 Property tax assessments have been reduced to bring them more in line

91 with the market as of April 2011. The 2011 tax rate issued by the NH

92 Department of Revenue Administration has been adjusted accordingly.

93 The new tax rate is 25.37. for comparison purposes, if the 2010

94 valuations were used to calculate the tax rate the tax rate would have

95 been 21.31, which is an increase of 4%.

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Old Business

98 Mr. Grella announced that Kerry Smith is visiting from Oxford, Georgia.

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New Business

101 Mr. Grella discussed the Mack Hill upgrade. The job is going along very
102 well and will meet deadline. Work will start today and continue with a
103 final coat by the end of this week or beginning of next week. This may
104 be completed in two weeks. The only draw back is that vehicles seem to
105 pick up speed. Citizens please respect the residences and watch you
106 speed.

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108 Mr. Brew attended the library trustees meeting and felt that things came
109 up later and felt if things came up earlier they may have gotten done
110 better. The date for the next meeting is Thursday, this is ahead of the
111 typically one.

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113 Mr. O'Mara discussed that last week there was a meeting. He is
114 interested in hearing form the heads and then breaking off to the ways
115 and means team. He thought it would be nice to have the board hear it
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Mr. Bowler and Mr. Brew discussed the meetings for the department heads being a great idea, so that the heads can present to the board and then go off to the other meetings such as the ways and means team in order to receive advice and to retrieve answers to there questions.

Mr. O'Mara stated that this meeting will occur Tuesday November 1st to discuss the entire budget that will meet goals. Compressed time limits will be in order so that everything can be discussed. It is anticipated that on November 1 there will be more presentations and then the department heads can retrieve more details and come back to review.

Mr. Bowler and Mr. O' Mara discussed how there should not be more than 2 meeting in order to complete this goal, but this in turn may make the meetings a bit lengthy. If the department heads come prepared with gross numbers the discussion will be able to go into the other numbers and may use the 7th in order to bring the information back and this should be quick and to the point.

Mr. Bowler discussed the last Wednesday night rt101 widening meeting that was well attended. Bruce would like draft of the plans for the three bridges that are listed for 2018, 2019, and 2020. This year had \$150 million for a budget and it is anticipated for a \$110 million budget for next year, this 30 year plan just regressed. This may not be realistic, the dates need to thought about, and the bond passed in march for the bridge bond is focused on preventative work this sounds like what has been done in the town for the past few years. The section of 101 is what the meeting was about, this is not just a Bedford issue and it was stated that this is a regional issue. This road is fairly busy and many should be supportive when the draft is presented. Hopefully this will get approved, the numbers were not given, there will need to be attention paid to the state funding for this road because if this is not granted then none of the towns will get funded as well. As helpful as the meeting was it was a bit discouraging.

The next Board meeting is next Tuesday, November 1st in order to discuss the end of the budget, this may be longer and will start at 6:30pm.

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Non – Public Session NH RSA 91-A:3 II (a)

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Non public 7:25pm

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Mr. Bowler moved to Mr. Brew seconded Mr. Brew yes, Mr. O'Mara

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yes, Mr. Grella yes, Mr. Bowler yes

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Adjourn

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Bowler motion to adjourn grella seconded vote unan. 7:12pm

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Non-Public Session NH RSA 91-A:3 II (b)

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Mr. Brew motioned to enter into non-public session pursuant to NH RSA 91-A:3 II (b) at

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6:15 pm. Mr. Grella seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Mr. Brew – yes; Mr. Bowler –

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yes; Mr. Grella – yes.

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The Board entered non-public session pursuant to NH RSA 91-A:3 II (b). Selectmen

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present: Bruce Bowler, Thomas Grella, and Dwight Brew. Also present was Town

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Administrator Jim O'Mara.

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The Board of Selectmen and the Town Administrator discussed the hiring of a public

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employee.

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At ~~X:XX~~pm the Board exited non-public session.

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Chairman Bowler indicated that no motions were made and no votes were taken while in

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non-public session.

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