

**TOWN OF HAMILTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
JULY 11, 2013**

The Board of Selectmen met at Hamilton's downtown at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 11, 2013 with Marc Johnson, Jeff Hubbard, David Neill, Jennifer Scuteri, Scott Maddern present. Town Manager Michael Lombardo, Hamilton Development Corporation chair Brian Stein, Affordable Housing Trust representatives Fred Mills and Peter Britton, Housing Authority chair Leigh Keyser, HW Merchants representative Don Robinson, HW Garden Club chair Jean Fucillo, HW School Committee members Bill Dery and Barbara Lawrence, representatives of Enough Is Enough and residents Bob Gray, Shirley Gray, Jay Burnham, Bea Britton, Carin Kale, and Jack Hauck also present.

Call to order

Marc Johnson called the walk to order at 5:00 p.m.

Discussion: Areas to address downtown

Jeff Hubbard led the group around downtown Hamilton noting improvements that could be made, possibly by the DPW, HW Garden Club or volunteers including:

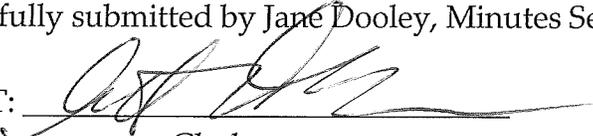
1. Repaint lines on public parking spaces near Mike's Auto and install sign on Bay Road to raise awareness of available spaces,
2. Add mulch or plantings in area near the railroad tracks in Depot Square,
3. Address weeds along railroad tracks,
4. Add second crosswalk across Bay Road,
5. Continue sidewalk in front of Mike's Auto to connect to Wenham sidewalk,
6. Ensure easement to public parking at 300 Main is left open for public access and use,
7. Replace banners on telephone poles in front of downtown businesses on Bay Road,

8. Straighten out crooked street signs,
9. Replace concrete sidewalk sections in front of Depot Square,
10. Replace deteriorated whiskey barrel planter in park area near the Community Package store,
11. Trim crabgrass at traffic islands containing flower boxes maintained by the HW Garden Club,
12. Remove overgrowth of weeds at intersection of Bay and Walnut Roads,
13. Trim crabgrass and weeds in front of Citgo station on Bay Road,
14. Discussion ensued about parking on Railroad Avenue and how the parking time varies from the left side to the right side and is enforced by the Hamilton Police Department,
15. Discussion addressed fall festival planned by HW Merchants Association and that location may not be on Railroad Avenue and it could strictly be a Wenham event,
16. Discussion ensued about \$16,000 of CPA funds that had been used to install trees on Railroad Avenue, and that HW Garden Club could possibly buy and install lights on the trees,
17. Install one-way sign on Railroad Avenue closer to Bay Road, and postmaster wants arrows directing traffic to the right painted on Railroad Avenue exiting the post office parking lot,
18. Paint planters at post office building that were donated by HW Garden Club, and
19. Owner of Timeless Interiors building is planning to rehabilitate the front of the structure.

The walk concluded at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Dooley, Minutes Secretary

ATTEST: _____


Clerk