

**TOWN OF HAMILTON  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
DECEMBER 16, 2009**

The Board of Selectmen met at the Hamilton Town Hall at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 16, 2009 with David Carey, William Bowler and Jennifer Scuteri present. Police Chief Russell Stevens, DPW Director John Tomasz and Town Administrator Candace Wheeler also present.

**Appointment of Student Police Officers**

David Carey entertained a motion to approve Police Chief Russell Stevens' recommendation to bring on board Police Reserve Officers Andrew Neill and Joseph Achadinha as Student Officers. William Bowler so moved. Jennifer Scuteri seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**Sign Chapter 90 Reimbursement Request**

The Selectmen had to sign an additional form for Chapter 90 reimbursement since the Massachusetts Highway Department became part of the Department of Transportation.

Discussion on Woodbury Street pathway being nearly finished, drainage problem being addressed on Bridge Street near Gordon Conwell Theological Seminary, discussion of whether to change policy on snow removal from the streets – no actions taken, and discussion of Winthrop Street Bridge work which is now completed.

**Appoint Town Manager Search Committee**

Carey entertained a motion to appoint the following individuals to the Town Manager Search Committee: Carin Kale, Bob Bullivant, Peter Clark, William Boesch, Alexa McCloughan, Anne Minois, Chuck Rogal and Laurie Wilson. Bowler so moved. Scuteri seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**Sign Liquor Certification for ABCC**

Carey entertained a motion to sign the following documents to support an annual liquor license renewal for 2010 with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts: a renewal certification for 2010, contact information for 2010, estimated resident population and 10

applications approved and signed by the Board of Selectmen. Bowler so moved. Scuteri seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**Sign Class II licenses**

Carey entertained a motion to approve and sign a Class II license for Gateway Motors, LLC dba Mike's Auto Repair. Bowler so moved. Scuteri seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

Carey entertained a motion to approve and sign a Class II license for A&M Motors at 203 Highland Street. Bowler so moved. Scuteri seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**Sign Special State Election Warrant for January 19, 2010**

Carey entertained a motion to approve and sign the Special State Election Warrant for January 19, 2010 (Senatorial election). Bowler so moved. Scuteri seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**Accept Council on Aging Gift – Proceeds from Christmas Fair**

Carey entertained a motion to accept an \$875 donation to be placed in the Hamilton Council on Aging gift fund. Bowler so moved. Scuteri seconded the motion. VOTE: Unanimous.

**Discuss development/growth issues raised at Planning Board meeting**

Discussion was on immediate need to bring more revenue to Hamilton. Selectmen were interested in the Planning Board revisiting the Planned Alternative Development (PAD) mixed use by-law and bringing it to Town Meeting. This by-law would require a 2/3rds vote to pass. The public needs to be educated on the details of the by-law for it to be approved. The Planning Board thought it could be ready for ATM in May 2011. The Board had hoped it could be done sooner. Carey agreed to speak with Planning Board Chairman David Santomenna.

Also discussed is whether or not the density requirements of the senior housing by-law should be revised to encourage interest from developers. In addition, the downtown parking and building height requirements are thought to be too restrictive for development to occur in the area.

The Board expressed interest in learning what the Economic Development Committee is working on especially in regard to the Hansbury property that is for sale on Willow Street.

In regard to the schools and whether or not the cost share between Hamilton and Wenham is fair, Board members agreed that these concerns should be brought before the regional School Committee.

Carey entertained a motion to go into executive session at 5:06 p.m. not to return to open session to discuss union negotiations and litigation strategy. Bowler so moved. Scuteri seconded the motion. The roll call vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by Jane Dooley, Minutes Secretary

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk