

HUDSON, NH BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the August 28, 2018 Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER - by Chairman Coutu the meeting of August 28, 2018 at 7:03 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room at Town Hall.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - led by Dave Yates.
3. ATTENDANCE

Board of Selectmen: Roger Coutu, David Morin, Marilyn McGrath, Angela Routsis, Normand Martin

Staff/Others: Steve Malizia, Town Administrator; Donna Graham, Executive Assistant; Dave Yates, Recreation Director; Chief Jason Lavoie; Finance Director Kathy Carpentier

4. PUBLIC INPUT

Chairman Coutu asked does anyone in the audience wish to address the Board on any issue which the Board has control of at this time. Seeing none.

5. RECOGNITIONS, NOMINATIONS & APPOINTMENTS

- A. Resignation of Joyce Cloutier as a Supervisor of the Checklist

Chairman Coutu explained the resignation letter signed by Joyce Cloutier. She is a Checklist Supervisor. She served in that position for 30 plus years. She has decided it is time for her to move on and open up a position for somebody else to volunteer. I want to thank Joyce for her many years of service. I've known Joyce not only as a Checklist Supervisor but as a friend and as someone who was a co-worker at Sam's Club. Joyce we're going to miss you. I'll accept a motion.

Motion by Selectman McGrath, seconded by Selectman Morin, to accept Joyce Cloutier's resignation as a Supervisor of the Checklist and recognize her as volunteering on the Recreation Commission with the Board's thanks and appreciation.

Selectman McGrath commented Joyce Cloutier not only served as a Checklist Supervisor but she also served years ago with her husband on the Recreation Commission and spent an enormous amount of time dedicating their efforts to the town. She should be recognized for that as well.

Chairman Coutu thanked Selectman McGrath for bringing that to our attention. Donna please make a note when we send out a letter her service to the town on the Recreation Commission.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0.

6. CONSENT ITEMS

Chairman Coutu asked does any Board member wish to remove any item for separate consideration. Seeing none.

Motion by Selectman Martin, seconded by Selectman Routsis, to approve consent items A, B, C, D, E and F as noted or appropriate, carried 5-0.

- A. Assessing Items

- 1) Current Use Lien Release: Map 124, Lot 81 - 49 Senter Farm Road, w/recommendation to approve
- 2) Current Use Lien Release: Map 116, Lot 93 - 39 Senter Farm Road, w/recommendation to approve

B. Water/Sewer Items - None

C. Licenses & Permits & Policies - None

D. Donations

- 1) \$100 from Elizabeth Falcone to be deposited into the Fire Department's donation account
- 2) \$5,000 from Digital Credit Union to be deposited into the Fire Department's donation account
- 3) \$735.54 from Lifetouch National School Studios to be deposited into the Recreation Department donation account

E. Acceptance of Minutes

- 1) Minutes of the August 14, 2018 Meeting

F. Calendar

08/29 7:00 Conservation Cmsn - Buxton CD Meeting Room
08/30 7:00 ZBA Workshop - Buxton CD Meeting Room
09/03 LABOR DAY - TOWN HALL CLOSED
09/04 7:00 Board of Selectmen - BOS Meeting Room
09/05 7:00 Budget Cte - Buxton CD Meeting Room
09/06 6:30 Recreation Cte - BOS Meeting Room
09/06 7:00 Benson Park Cte - Cable Access Center
09/10 7:00 Conservation Cmsn - Buxton CD Meeting Room
09/10 7:00 Cable Utility Cte - Cable Access Center
09/10 7:00 Board of Selectmen - BOS Meeting Room

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Votes taken after Nonpublic Session on August 14, 2018

- 1) *Motion by Selectman McGrath, seconded by Selectman Martin, to hire Tracy Goodwyn for the position of Administrative Aide in the Zoning and Code Enforcement Department at Step 1, \$17.02 per hour, of the Town of Hudson Support Staff AFSCME Local 1801 Union Contract, effective September 2, 2018, carried 4-1. Selectman Coutu in opposition.*
- 2) *Motion to adjourn at 10:21 p.m. by Selectman Routsis, seconded by Selectman Martin, carried 5-0.*

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Hearing - Donation of a 12x12 storage shed valued at \$4,874 plus an additional \$949.99 to purchase a three-row bleacher both for Freedom Field II

Chairman Coutu recognized Town Administrator Steve Malizia.

Steve Malizia stated due to the amount of the shed, you are required to have a public hearing before you accept it. This donation is being made generously from the Friends of Hudson NH Fields. As you know, they were an organization that was promoting additional field space for the town. They have graciously offered to donate a shed for storage and cash for the purchase of some bleachers so when folks are attending sporting events there will be a place to sit.

Chairman Coutu opened the public hearing at 7:07 p.m. If there is anyone in the audience who wishes to address the Board on this matter at this time please step forward, state your name, and address for the record. Seeing none, we will close the public hearing at 7:08 p.m.

Motion by Selectman Routsis, seconded by Selectman Martin, to accept from the Friends of Hudson NH Fields a donated 12 x 12 storage shed valued at \$4,874 and an additional \$949.99 to purchase a three-row bleacher for Freedom Field II with the Board's thanks and appreciation.

Chairman Coutu thanked the Friends of Hudson NH Fields. They raised some money and we're very grateful for their consideration and their donation.

Vote: Motion carried 5-0.

B. Recommendation to Reject the Jette Field Replacement Lights Bid

Chairman Coutu recognized Recreation Director Dave Yates.

Good evening. Dave Yates explained as part of this year's budget, we allocated \$36,500 for the Jette Field lights. We did go out to bid and after receiving a bid for 300 watt LED replacement lights we were given further information that these lights would not be enough wattage to light the field and requirements of what we need for 30 foot candles for the infield and 20 foot candles for the outfield. At this point, I'd like to reject these bids and we'll do a little more homework and go out and accept different bids for a higher wattage of lights.

Chairman Coutu asked was not any research done on this because this is going to cost us more money now to advertise. Did we have somebody go out and look at this, and consult with, and tell us what we needed? Mr. Yates said we did. This was a recommendation of a local electrician last year and this is what he recommended. Again he's not a lighting specialist. We did consult a lighting specialist in that they told us that the 300 watts would not fit the bill. Since then, we have done tests at the field and we know what we need. To put the 300 watts in at this point, we would be asking for trouble and safety issues. We have more knowledge than we did at last year. Chairman Coutu stated we should have had the knowledge prior to going out to bid. I don't like the fact that we have to go out, re-advertise, and spend more money. We should have done it right the first time. Any other comments? If not, I'll entertain a motion.

Motion by Selectman Routsis, seconded by Selectman McGrath, to reject the two bids received and to instruct the Recreation Director to update the RFP with the required lighting needed and go out to bid again, carried 5-0.

C. Request to go out for Bid for Permanent Basketball Structures at the Community Center

Chairman Coutu recognized Recreation Director Dave Yates.

Dave Yates stated at the May 22nd meeting, the Board gave me permission to go out and hire a certified structural engineer to measure and inspect the existing roof structure at the Community Center. I did give you a copy of the report. Basically the report says that they feel that the roof can uphold the load of 1,000 pounds of what the basketball hoops would be. However, they felt that to build the eaves up more it would distribute the weight more evenly and would have less problems down the road. I did go out and get a request from Ripaldi Construction services to put these additional supports in for the amount of \$2,400. If this is approved tonight after they complete the work, they will send pictures to the engineer to make sure that this is what they want and that this structure will hold the basketball hoops.

Chairman Coutu stated we're talking about supports for the basketball hoops. Steve Malizia said from the ceiling joist correct at the Community Center. So they'll be suspended from the ceiling. Chairman Coutu asked is there not a company that specializes in doing exactly that. Mr. Yates said there's companies that will come in and attach to the existing rafters. So the existing rafters are there. What the \$2,400 job will do is the weight will be distributed over a bigger area and not just one small area. Then at that point once that's in, then the companies will come in and go through the ceiling and attach to the new structure.

Chairman Coutu asked is Peter going to do that work. Dave Yates said yes. Chairman Coutu asked is this what he's recommending on the third from the last page. Is that the type of structure he's going to build for each side? Mr. Yates directed the Board to page 6 of your report. He is going to get in touch with the engineer. Chairman Coutu asked that's what Peter is recommending. Mr. Yates agreed.

Steve Malizia noted that's \$2,400. Then he wants permission to go out to bid after. If you agree with the project, we're going to spend that piece, then he's going to go out to bid to actually get the hoops and get them installed. That total project will probably be somewhere around \$15,000. He's got \$16,700 in his rec. donation account. If you want to proceed, he's looking for permission to proceed.

Chairman Coutu indicated I trust Mr. Ripaldi.

Selectman Morin said I know we've had this conversation before so I apologize. Why do we have to go with the nets in the ceiling again? Dave Yates thought it's the ease of when we have all these different activities rolling out the 1,000 pound hoops all the time. To protect the new floor, we feel that the cushiness of the new floor, these will dig into it. It will go right up in the ceiling. We won't have to worry about the events and it will be ease of setup and storage. Right now the big hoops are in the back room taking up a lot of room.

Selectman Morin said I understand that. My question now is because I don't remember that but you probably told me that if we're concerned about the nets being rolled out damaging the floor, what's going to happen when we put tables and chairs and things to that nature voting and all that on? Mr. Yates said it was not a problem. They are a lot less weight than these basketball structures plus we put mats down now. For voting the floor will be fully protected. Its mats are designed to cover the full floor and they're actually down now for voting in a couple of weeks. They're going to cover the floor and protect it.

Selectman McGrath asked the sketch that's on the very back page, did you provide that to the people that will be providing the nets to make sure that they agree that that would provide the structural integrity. Dave Yates stated we had a couple of contractors come in and look. One of them recommended - now of course we have to go out to bid - but one of them did recommend that we do the structural report and then they would go based on the structure report. The engineers - the one that recommended distribute the weight. It would hold a lot more weight than 1,000 pounds. Selectman McGrath stated everybody is in agreement, the people that would be providing the basketball nets as well as..Mr. Yates said more support is better for them. I think they're just covering their behinds by saying go out and get this engineer report.

Selectman Routsis wanted to thank you Dave for going out and doing this because I know I've called you quite a few times about it. I also just want to mention again that if we move forward with this and once everything is done, there is always the possibility of being able to resell those other nets that we have. Mr. Yates noted I was just looking in the catalog today. They're selling now for about \$8,000 brand new. We've had these about ten years. I think we paid about \$6,000 at the time. Hopefully we could - Chairman Coutu said we can split the difference we'll get \$7,000. Mr. Yates was hopeful that we can go on Local Government Center and advertise there and hopefully some other rec. department will purchase them and offset the costs.

Motion by Selectman Routsis, seconded by Selectman McGrath, to proceed with the installation of the basketball nets at the Community Center with the funds to come from the Recreation Donation Account, carried 5-0.

D. Bid Recommendation - Police Department - 3 Police Sport Utility Interceptors

Chairman Coutu recognized Chief Jason Lavoie.

Good evening everyone. Chief Lavoie said again this year annually we've been on a replacement cycle going back to the late 1980s and the replacement cycle has worked well not only for the department but also for the taxpayers. We're currently in the process of trading in a few vehicles. This year was a bid that we advertised Sunday, July 15th, in the Nashua Telegraph. We also did some direct bidding for a total of

six dealerships throughout New Hampshire and Massachusetts we sent direct bid requests to. In order to follow along in accordance with the Town Ordinance, we only received three bids. The bids were opened up by the Town Clerk. Present were a couple of our officers and the low bid in this process came out to Marcotte Ford Municipal out of Holyoke, Massachusetts. I'm seeking the Board's permission to move forward with the Board's permission to move forward with the purchase of these vehicles.

Chairman Coutu asked Chief is it more beneficial for us for \$1,000 to buy in the State of New Hampshire just for the cost of bringing the vehicles down to Holyoke, MA, for service if they should need any. I just would like to hear your response to that. Chief Lavoie said we don't need to bring them to Holyoke, MA, for service. They're Fords. We can bring them over to the Ford dealership for warranty work. Things not covered under warranty, we utilize and every couple of years we check send out paperwork to different town garages for things like oil changes, brakes, etc. just to keep good price points and do some validation with that. If it's not covered under warranty, it's being serviced by a local mechanic. That mechanic will tell us if it's warranty work that needs to be done at which point we bring it over, in this case, to a Ford dealership if I didn't confuse you.

Selectman Morin asked is this going to be just patrol units and you're not going to do another - I don't want to call it a "ghost car" but are you going to make one of them so you have two of those. Chief Lavoie said no. Right now our plan unless we decide to make another. We are seeing positive results with the quiet graphics or the ghost graphics. It has been beneficial. It's very possible that we may add a second one to the fleet. I will not go with all vehicles like that or even probably not even 50/50. We are open to doing a second vehicle with the ghost graphics and then I'll be coming back for one more vehicle purchase. There's one more vehicle that needs to be replaced. We're still well within our budget parameters so I'll be back again one more time for the purchase of one more vehicle.

Motion by Selectman Martin, seconded by Selectman Morin, to award the bid for three (3) Police Sport Utility Interceptor Vehicles at the net bid price of \$72,511.50 to the lowest bidder, Marcotte Ford Sales, Inc., as recommended by the Police Chief and the Finance Director, carried 5-0.

Chief Lavoie asked for one more minute. I just wanted to take a moment to thank - I was receiving a number of text messages, Facebook requests from the greater Hudson community about the department doing a lip sync challenge and participating in that. We had made the decision to do it and what we thought that we would do is we would work with the Alvirne High School video members as well as the HCTV. We said to the young adults you guys put together the program that you want us to do and we'll work with you on it. Really a credit to the Alvirne students as well as the staff at the PD that participated in it. We had hoped to involve more community. As you know, we're pretty big on community and that's why we didn't want to do it ourselves. We wanted to work with the high school. We tried to get the seniors to participate in some of the videos. They were a little bashful or camera shy. We were hoping to do our last shoot at Old Home Days utilizing the Saturday night crowds and involving the community for the last segment but due to the cancellation and rain, we weren't able to do that. I was just amazed, however, that we released the video last evening and already we've had approximately 210,000 views. I think that is just incredible. I'd like to thank everyone that participated in it.

Chairman Coutu indicated it must be the lawn mower that road through in one of the scenes. Chief Lavoie said Mr. Daigle did a fantastic job. It took him 10 takes. Chairman Coutu was in stitches watching that thing this morning. Chief Lavoie noted the flash dancing was good too. Thank you.

E. Fiscal Year 2018 Yearend Results

Chairman Coutu recognized Finance Director Kathy Carpentier.

Good evening. Kathy Carpentier indicated some of this might be reading off for the audience at home but Fiscal Year 2018 ended on June 30, 2018. The field audit work has been completed. The town ended in a fiscally strong position. The FY18 budget to be spent from the town general fund was \$28.7 million and we're under budget by \$19,456 which is less than half a percent. Pretty much right on target. Within that \$450,000 of accrued time, payouts were done so I did not need to go to the capital reserve fund as I asked

you in June if I needed to get some reimbursements so we did not tap into the capital reserve fund and we still returned \$20,000. That's pretty good. A credit to the department heads and the Board of Selectmen.

On the other side of the ledger, Ms. Carpentier indicated is the revenue. The revenue exceeded the estimated revenue by \$1.6 million. That's largely due to motor vehicle permits and in excess to budget of \$729,000 and interest on investments in excess of \$154,000. Those are the two big drivers which equals an unassigned fund balance of \$6.3 million which is 8.9 percent again leaving us very fiscally strong. Even after paying for \$2.1 million for the fire station as budgeted and we used \$600,000 to offset the tax rate last year. I think that the town did a great job on the town side. If you have any questions, I'd be more than happy to answer them.

F. Recommendation to Revise Estimated Revenues for FY19

Chairman Coutu recognized Finance Director Kathy Carpentier.

Kathy Carpentier explained as of July 1st we just started Fiscal 19. In October we will sit down with the Department of Revenue after all the reports are submitted to the Department of Revenue and set the tax rate. So I will be back to you as I usually am in late September early October to set a tax rate. The Department of Revenue has a September 1st deadline to estimated revenues. If you want to change revenues up or down, now is the time to do it. You can always change what you're going to use to offset the tax rate one last time if you wanted to change your \$600,000 budgeted. These are actual estimated revenues.

Ms. Carpentier said I have a list in front of you of six items that I thought could go up in the amount of \$308,000 which would save the tax rate on the town side about ten cents per thousand. I did check with the Town Clerk/Tax Collector with motor vehicles. She was okay with the increases on the first two interest on property taxes and motor vehicle. I did discuss this with the Town Administrator. If you'd like, I could put the form in and increase the revenues by the \$308,000 which would take the tax rate down by an anticipated ten cents.

Chairman Coutu stated the only concern I have Ms. Carpentier - I went through these - is the police outside details. The reason why I'm concerned is that there's been a couple of situations with companies coming into town and doing work on Lowell Road and blocking one lane. In one instance not too long ago going south, just beyond Valentino's it was almost impossible to get through at noon time. I don't know what it was like at 5 if they were still out there. They had no police detail. I just want to make sure that we're enforcing the detail. Why are we so comfortable with outside details increasing by \$20,000 this year?

Kathy Carpentier explained because in 2017 it was \$113,000 and in 2018 it's \$168,000. We only have a budget of \$100,000 so I just took the nominal increase of \$20,000. As far as enforcing, that would be outside my jurisdiction. Chairman Coutu thought you'd go out there and enforce it for us. Ms. Carpentier did know unless the Police Chief has an issue that's it's not mandated. If it's on Lowell Road, the Police Chief could mandate it but I don't think every project is mandated for a police detail. We have seen a lot of the bigger vendors using it.

Chairman Coutu thought when we agreed to do police details and we talked about the rates and what not and we went along with it, we had said that main corridors it would be enforced. Steve Malizia stated it's up to the Police Chief. There's no language to enforce this other than the Police Chief has that discretion. Chairman Coutu said maybe we should write the language. If this Board would wish to do so, I think its unsafe venue on major roads - major roads we know which roads those are. There aren't just the three major State corridors. There are two or three others that when they're out there and they're climbing poles and there's just a truck and no police officer doing patrolling, that endangers that employee and it's not safe for vehicular traffic.

Selectman Morin said my question would be I agree with the Chairman because we have a police detail on David Drive which is a residential street and you get how many vehicles there. On Lowell Road, we don't have a police detail so how is that determined? Do you know? Mr. Malizia stated on David Drive the vendor requested it. On Lowell Road, they may not have requested it. What we're saying is the Chief could dictate

it if in his opinion or his staff's opinion there's a safety issue. If somebody alerts, or he determines, or we find out that there's an issue, he on those corridors could sit there and say you need a detail. He doesn't mandate it any other street or road. If they pay for it, we'll give it to them. If you're willing to consider that, you may want to consult with the Chief. Kathy Carpentier said I'd be more than happy to at least tell him that we brought up the conversation and your concerns. Chairman Coutu noted I'll talk to him about it. I'm not afraid to talk to him about it.

Chairman Coutu asked if there was any other discussion. Seeing none.

Motion by Selectman McGrath, seconded by Selectman Morin, to approve the Revised Estimated Revenues for Fiscal Year 2019 in the amount of \$18,117,428 as recommended by the Finance Director, carried 5-0

G. Fiscal Year 2020 Board of Selectmen Budget Schedule

Chairman Coutu recognized Finance Director Kathy Carpentier.

Kathy Carpentier stated with Susan Kaempf's in your office help, we just pretty much take last year and copy it for this year. Unless you have any glaring issues, I believe that you already agreed to the main three nights that you'd need to review the departments but then there's some statutorily mandated dates that are also on here. As far as the committee's and department heads haven't see the list yet, if you approve it we'll make sure that there's no conflicts and if we had to we would move them around. Pretty much the bottom is mandated and the top is a little more flexible.

In reviewing any of this, Chairman Coutu is there anything that jumped out at any Board member. I just want to look. I saw a Thursday. Thursday is difficult for me but this is a just a procedural. It's not something we would attend. It's we're going to be submitting the budget on the Thursday.

Steve Malizia explained this is the attending schedule. These are the nights you'll be here. The other schedule is a State dictated deadline schedule. You will notice on here there are two Thursdays. The key dates are the 16th, 18th, and the 25th. Those are the key dates where you'll do most of your deliberating. Chairman Coutu indicated I can't make Thursday. Mr. Malizia said you start having problems with Wednesday because of Planning Board. Your regular Tuesday meeting. You just start having other conflicts with other boards.

Kathy Carpentier thought these were in when you're making your meetings for the whole year these were the three dates that were picked. Chairman Coutu asked if we could move Thursdays back to Wednesday. Is that a possibility? Ms. Carpentier stated I would have to see.

Selectman Martin said the Wednesday sessions that the Planning Board does for the Law Lecture Series are coming up. I think it wouldn't hurt us if we did those Wednesdays. I have to go.

Ms. Carpentier asked when does the Planning Board usually meets. Is it the first and fourth or second and fourth? Donna Graham answered the second and fourth and the third if necessary.

Chairman Coutu said if they're going to a lecture law series, they won't even be in the building. Steve Malizia indicated it's not so much the room, it's the members that might or might not attend various other events. If there's a Planning Board meeting, you have representatives on it. That's the conflict that we're talking about. If there's a Law Lecture, they don't have to go to that. Selectman Martin noted October 3rd an October 10th. They don't coincide with these dates. Chairman Coutu said I won't be here for 2 of the 3. Selectman Martin indicated we can move the dates. What's wrong with moving them to Tuesdays? Chairman Coutu noted that's Selectmen's meetings unless you want to have them right after the meeting. That's a pretty long night. If you look at Thursday the 18th, we have an awful lot of - we can go through quite a few of them pretty quickly. Who's going to be doing the presentation for the Public Works? Mr. Malizia indicated Mr. Forrence and I.

Chairman Coutu said it's out in October. We'll see what we can do. We're not making any motion on it anyway, right? Ms. Carpentier said we're not but I kind of needed to tell people. You have concerns so you're the only Selectman that has concerns. Chairman Coutu agreed. If the other Selectmen to keep it just the way it is, I'll...Kathy Carpentier said I'll try to find other dates. Chairman Coutu noted it's not up to me. It's up to the Board. I'm just one person.

Selectman Morin said if we can find another date that will suit everybody, we'll do another date. It wouldn't be the same without you.

Steve Malizia asked what about Mondays is that typically a more better day for you. Chairman Coutu said that works great for me. Selectman Morin said Monday is good too. Selectman Martin said I'm good for Mondays. Selectman McGrath said I'm good for any day. My schedule is open for Board of Selectmen duties.

Kathy Carpentier confirmed so you're going to move the 18th back to the 15th and the 25th back to the 22nd. I'll reprint this tomorrow and send it out. Chairman Coutu asked do you want to see the department heads before we do it because they don't have a say. Ms. Carpentier indicated if they can't make that night, they can move to a different night. That's the say they have or they send their delegates.

Motion by Selectman McGrath, seconded by Selectman Routsis, to accept the FY2020 Board of Selectmen Budget Schedule as modified, carried 5-0.

H. Sale of Town Property - 5 Riverview Street

Chairman Coutu recognized Town Administrator Steve Malizia.

Steve Malizia explained this is a very modest piece of land located on Riverview Street. It was acquired in 1998 by tax deed. I've run it through the departments. Nobody has a need for it. One of the abutters has expressed an interest in procuring it. Typically with a property like this giving the modest value and the location of it, I would recommend we do a sealed bid if we'd like to dispose of it. Typically a bid package gets prepared, mailed to abutters, and advertised for our acceptance of sealed bids. Bids would come in. They'd get reviewed. The Board would have the ability to accept or reject any bid. There would be language that stated that. It appears that the property is .069 acres and has no value to the Town of Hudson.

Chairman Coutu didn't think it has any value to anybody except the immediate abutter. I looked at it. Mr. Malizia stated quite probably but, again, that's the process you would go through. You're not going to hire a realtor.

Selectman Martin asked is that something we have to go through that process. Steve Malizia indicated you have one of three choices: sealed bid, public auction, or a realtor. This is probably going to be the cheapest way to do it.

Motion by Selectman Martin, seconded by Selectman Routsis, to approve the sale of tax deeded property located at 5 Riverview Street by sealed bid, carried 5-0.

9. OTHER BUSINESS/REMARKS BY THE SELECTMEN

Selectman McGrath - I don't have anything other than to wish everyone a happy Labor Day weekend. It's the end of the summer. School is beginning and traffic patterns are certainly going to change.

Selectman Routsis - I just want to wish everyone or hope everyone had a great first day of school today. Be careful when you're out there. As much as we think we're going to see kids on the road in the summer, we're going to see them more during the school year, especially the morning and afternoons when they're coming to and from school. I did want to thank everyone for their participation in the lip sync challenge. It was great to see the different grouping of people in it along with Alvirne assisted with the video.

Selectman Martin - Thank you Mr. Chairman. I have not a lot to report. Just a reminder that we have a Budget Committee meeting next Wednesday. So that will be the first time we've met in a couple of months.

One other thing, I made a copy of something out of general read that's a concern to me. I know it's probably going to come to us eventually but it's of concern to me. I don't know how many people have looked at the general read but the restroom facility at Benson Park bids came in. They're extensively higher than the funding we currently have. It's of concern to me as to what we're going to do and what charge we should put to the Benson Park Committee as to what they're going to recommend to us. I didn't want to bring dollar amounts out. I just wanted to let you know that I saw that and it's very concerning to me.

Chairman Coutu was sure they're going to work it out and they'll come back with a recommendation to us.

Steve Malizia said my understanding is from speaking to Mr. Empey that that will be the expected action at their next meeting. I believe its next week. They'll have a conversation and/or a recommendation as to how to proceed to this Board. We had a 20 minute conversation today.

Chairman Coutu stated we'll review what they put before us and we'll either agree or modify and amend. Mr. Malizia said you will have a discussion I'm sure. Chairman Coutu stated I can tell you right now we're not going to spend more than what the taxpayer's approved.

Selectman Martin wished everybody a happy Labor Day weekend. Thank you very much.

Selectman Morin - If it wasn't for the lip sync challenge, I went away last week I'd have nothing. They did an excellent job. It was really good to watch. I was there when they were filming it. They did a great job and appreciated it. It's good for the town and wish everybody a good Labor Day also. Thank you.

Selectman Coutu - I don't have much other than to wish everyone a very safe Labor Day. Please be careful with your alcohol consumption. Drink modestly and responsibly. For those of you who set off fireworks on Labor Day, it's illegal to set off fireworks in the Town of Hudson. Just a word of caution.

As was alluded to by previous speakers on the Board, school is in session. Please drive very carefully. There are children from all sections of the town attending school. They will be out waiting for school buses. Children react and act impulsively sometimes and they may drop a ball and run out in the streets. Drive slowly and be very careful.

Chairman Coutu asked Mr. Malizia the only other thing that I would like to recommend to all department heads because I know you'll probably have a meeting with them tomorrow morning of late I've been reading accident reports in the general read. I find there's very little information. We don't have the volume of information we used to get in the past. I don't know who the driver is. I don't know any of the specifics of the accidents and it seems to me in the past year we've had more municipal vehicle accidents than we've had in the past. A lot of municipalities when they reach that point want to report from every department head as to what the cost of these accidents to the town. A lot of it I know is covered by insurance but I'd like to know if our rates are going to go up as a result of some of these accidents. I'd like to know who the drivers of the vehicles are. I would like to know if any one department and the two would be the voluminous in terms of driving would be Fire and Police. Are there one or two persons who are responsible for most of the accidents or is this just spread out. I would like to have some sort of a report as to what is causing these accidents. I know that when I read a Fire Department report, I see that perhaps a truck was at the scene and upon backing out they hit a wall and scratched the side of the fire truck. That's pretty conclusive for me. It tells me what happened. There's a couple of them up there I have no idea who drove the vehicle. I have no idea what the damage was. What other vehicle, if any, were hit. Did they hit private property? I just would like those to be a little more informative for us.

Steve Malizia explained when we report our accidents, they need to include more data. That's a report to the insurance company. When they report it, you want more data. Chairman Coutu agreed. I think it would be helpful to all of us. I would like to know if there's any one, or two, or three people that have been involved in more than one or two accidents. If so, who were they? Maybe report that to you and this Board might want to see that information. Fair enough.

10. NONPUBLIC SESSION

Motion by Selectman Martin, seconded by Selectman Morin, to enter nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (a) The dismissal, promotion, or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him or her, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted;

(c) Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine, or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant; and

(d) Consideration of the acquisition, sale, or lease of real or personal property which, if discussed in public, would likely benefit a party or parties whose interests are adverse to those of the general community, carried 5-0 by roll call

Chairman Coutu entered Nonpublic Session at 7:55 p.m., thus ending the televised portion of the meeting. Any votes taken upon entering open session will be listed on the Board's next agenda. The public is asked to leave the room.

Chairman Coutu entered open session at 9:27 p.m.

Motion by Selectman Martin, seconded by Selectman Morin, to promote Tim Greenwood to the position of Equipment Operator I, Grade XII, Step 7, at \$27.98 per hour effective September 2, 2018, carried 5-0.

Motion by Selectman Martin, seconded by Selectman Morin, to convert the part time position of IT Technician II to a full time IT Technician II at a rate of \$28.10 per hour effective September 2, 2018, failed 1 - 4 by roll call. Selectman Martin in favor.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:29 p.m. by Selectman Martin, seconded by Selectman Routsis, carried 5-0.

Recorded by HCTV and transcribed by Donna Graham, Executive Assistant.

Roger E. Coutu, Chairman

David S. Morin, Vice-Chairman

Marilyn E. McGrath, Selectman

Angela Routsis, Selectman

Normand G. Martin, Selectman