

Minutes of the October 12, 2023, Hingham Town Council Meeting

The October 2023 Hingham Town Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Thomas Peterson on October 12, 2023, at 7:30 am. Present at the meeting were Thomas Peterson, Sandi Peterson, Dave George, Roger Haas, Dillon Lipp, Dan Horinek, also patrons Ray Lipp and Zack Rathbun. September minutes were reviewed. The treasurer's report was covered. Dillon made a motion to approve both minutes and treasurer report, Roger seconded, and motion carried.

HEARING OF PATRONS:

Zack proposed to the council what he would like to do with his property (JOHNSON-PETERSON FIRST ADDN, S03, T32 N, R10 E, BLOCK 006, Lot 005). He would like to add dirt and gravel on the south side of his Quonset to build it up to keep moisture out, this would mean sloping it toward the lot that belongs to the Town of Hingham. He would also like to put an entrance on the west side of the Quonset so that it is easy to drive his trucks and equipment through. He will add gravel on the road leading to his property. As he is making the changes to the property, he will make sure that all boundary t-posts stay in place and any extra dirt from the work will be in the corner of his property that the council can use, if needed. A motion was made for Zack to do his work by Dan, seconded by Dave, and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lagoon Operator – tabled. Refuse Board- tabled. Gravel/grader - ongoing. Rules and regulations – on going. Revisiting the town ordinances- ongoing. Resolution stating that any vacant property must continue to pay the monthly water and sewer fee or pay for shut off/reconnection fee- ongoing. Street sign replacements- ongoing. Arborist-Sandi informed that Tree Service Pros in Great Falls, has not replied and she will try them again. Pumphouse at the Park-Council will meet tomorrow morning between 8:30 and 9 to make plans for the new pumphouse. Maybe prebuild it and put it into place next spring.

NEW BUSINESS:

Thomas talked about the BRIC grant from FEMA. We received an email stating some things they needed, and that Julea at Bear Paw is working on getting answers. Thomas let the council know that the park has been winterized and the sprinklers will be blown out on Friday. The trees have been planted and now we need to keep an eye on the moisture. Wilbur Ellis has allowed us to use their water truck to water the trees and now we will back off watering. It was noted that if these trees do good maybe we can add more next year. We revisited the need to keep the weeds on the outside of the Lagoons under control. We will address this next spring.

DELINQUENCIES/NOTICE TO DISCONNECT: NA

MAYOR'S REPORT: Thomas talked about the leak on the corner of 5th Ave and 4th St. It has been taken care of. Thomas also talked about standing water by HCWD. Should it have a culvert or build it up? Dillon suggested culvert. Sandi will get prices.

Claims for September- #6118-6127 were read. Dillon made a motion to accept the claims, Dan seconded the motion, motion carried. Next meeting is November 9, 2023 @7:30pm. Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Roger seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Mayor

Clerk