

HOPKINTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – January 6, 2020  
BUSINESS AGENDA

Town Hall, 1 Town House Road, Hopkinton, RI 02833

**7:00 P.M.** Call to Order – Moment of silent meditation and a salute to the Flag.

**HEARINGS MOTION TO SIT AS A LICENSING BOARD**

**1. CAMPGROUND LICENSE RENEWALS**

Open a hearing on the renewal of the following campground licenses:

Frontier Camper Park, LLC– Scott W. Thompson, 180A Maxson Hill Road, Ashaway, RI licensed for 225 Campsites & Safari Sites.

Applicant or representative present.  
All fees paid and notices posted.

Greenwood Hill Campground Association, Inc. – Jeffrey P. Aldrich, 13 Newberry Lane, Hope Valley, RI licensed for 80 Campsites & Safari Sites.

Applicant or representative present.  
All fees paid and notices posted.

Holly Tree Campground, Inc. – Marie Patrizzo, 109 Ashaway Road, Ashaway, RI licensed for 158 Campsites & Safari Sites.

Applicant or representative present.  
All fees paid and notices posted.

Whispering Pines Campground – Cameron May/WP Management Group, LLC, 41 Saw Mill Road, Hope Valley, RI licensed for 213 Campsites & Safari Sites.

Applicant or representative present.  
All fees paid and notices posted.

Ashaway Pines RV Resort, LLC – Jennifer Smith, License Coordinator, 225 Ashaway Road licensed for 260 Campsites. There are no Safari Sites.

Applicant or representative present.  
All fees paid and notices posted.

Discussion.

Motion and vote whether to grant renewal to each license subject to all state and town regulations being met and all town taxes current prior to issue.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN AS LICENSING BOARD AND RECONVENE AS COUNCIL**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Approve Town Council Meeting Minutes of December 16, 2019; Executive Session Minutes of December 16, 2019; Special Town Council Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2019; Executive Session Minutes of December 2, 2019; Accept the November 25, 2019 transcript as the record of the hearing re: Centrica Business Systems/James & Karen Cherenzia Comprehensive Plan Amendment/Zoning Ordinance Amendment; Set February 18, 2020 as the second Town Council Meeting in February due to the President's Day Holiday; Approve request of National Grid & Verizon for a joint pole on Skunk Hill Road; Approve \$72.76 from Town Council Contingency line item #5065-001 for sympathy flower arrangement; Approve abatement resulting from 2019 motor vehicle tax value change submitted by the Tax Assessor; Approve refund due to an overpayment on 2019 M.V. tax submitted by the Tax Collector.

## **MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

## **COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT**

- Attendance at 12/27/19 wake service for Superintendent Barry Ricci

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Discuss and consider a Motion to Remove from the Table the ongoing public hearing suspended on October 28, 2019 on the petition for amendments to the Hopkinton Zoning Ordinance and Hopkinton Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map filed by Atlantic Solar, LLC, 260 West Exchange Street, Providence, Rhode Island, 02903 and Atlantic Control Systems, Inc., 318 Dry Bridge Road, North Kingstown, Rhode Island 02865, the land owner for property located at 0 Main Street identified as Plat 7, Lot 32, Plat 10, Lot 87, and Plat 11, Lot 35, an RFR-80 zone, and, if appropriate, to set a date, time and location for the resumption of the public hearing, as requested by the applicants' Attorney Robert Craven, Esq.
2. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to send a letter to Centrica Business Systems re: the status of the Zone Amendment & Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Amendment petitions for the four remaining properties – requested by Councilor Davis:
  - a. Michael & Donna Church, 10 Grantville Extension; AP 15, Lot 11A.
  - b. Ronnie & Kay Bonnie Sposato, 40 Maxson Hill Road; AP 4, Lot 38.
  - c. Maitland Fothergill, 10A Crandall Lane; AP 2, Lot 001.
  - d. Fated Farmer, 0 Wich Way; AP 7, Lot 20.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Discuss, consider and possibly vote on the reappointment of Margaret Steele, Esq. as Municipal Court Judge for a term of two years to November 2021.
2. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to adopt the Resolution in Support of Fully Funded E-911 Statewide and Municipal Services requested by Councilor Capalbo - see attached.
3. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to reappoint Scott Ahern as Tree Warden for a one-year term to January 2021.

## **BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES**

1. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to accept Sylvia Stanley's resignation from the Chariho School Committee.
2. Discuss, consider and possibly vote to authorize the Town Clerk to advertise the vacancy on the Chariho School Committee.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

## **ADJOURN**

If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation by any person, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 377-7777 (V) or 377-7773 (TDD) at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting.

Posting Details: Town Hall, Police Station, Hopkinton Website, Secretary of State Website.

Posting date: January 2, 2020

### **TOWN OF HOPKINTON, RI RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FULLY FUNDED E-911 STATEWIDE AND MUNICIPAL SERVICES**

**Whereas**, E-911's mission is intended to provide 24 hour effective and efficient emergency communication services in the interest of public good; and

**Whereas**, Even with some of the best Fire, Rescue and Ambulance Corps in the State, the response times in rural areas may be 10 to 15 minutes – a response time that is a product of distance and antiquated equipment alone; and

**Whereas**, The revenue source chosen to completely fund the State of RI Enhanced 911 is first remitted to the State of Rhode Island by the phone carriers from surcharges collected from everyone's individual phone bill; and

**Whereas**, Since 2002, the State of Rhode Island has co-mingled in general revenue on average 55% of fees collected but not dedicated to E-911 services. E-911 services consist of staffing, training, operations, equipment and technology that help with the operation of delivering E-911 services; and

**Whereas**, At present, our E-911 system has no GPS tracking for cell phones for voice and text messaging services, no Emergency Medical Dispatch (a process that puts a trained nurse practitioner or physician's assistant on the line to provide emergency medical instruction), is not in line with mandated municipal equipment upgrades from surcharges and does not have a full range of services needed to communicate with all Rhode Islanders who may find themselves in highly stressed emergency crises; and

**Whereas**, At present, municipality dispatch centers use equipment that is electronically antiquated and not in keeping with modern efficiencies causing upgrades to be borne by municipal tax payers or by having the Police/Fire dispatch centers search for funds by writing grants.

**Now Therefore, be it resolved;** that we, the members of the Hopkinton Town Council, support fully funded E-911 statewide and municipal services; and

**Be it further resolved;** that the members of the Hopkinton Town Council urge the Governor to convene the E-911 Commission to oversee the resolution of any inadequacies in the E-911 system; and

**Finally, be it further resolved;** that the Hopkinton Town Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to all State of Rhode Island City and Town Councils respectfully requesting that they too adopt a similar resolution in support of the Town of Hopkinton in their request to update staffing, training, operations, equipment and technology for 911 Emergency Services. This and other resolutions will be sent to the Governor and other State and grassroots agencies requesting their support.

The **RESOLUTION** shall take effect upon passage.