

Board of Selectmen Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, October 15, 2019 6:15 PM

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

<u>Item1:</u> Correspondence (1) Historic Bridges of Henniker, NH Brochure

Consent Agenda

Item2: Consent Agenda

Public Forum #1

New Business

Item3: Chief Matthew French - Pinning Ceremony of Officer Jake Bois

<u>Item4:</u> Highway Superintendent Leo Aucoin

- Eversource (Main Street Ice Cream Shop)

- Purchase of trackless double trip plow

- Road construction update

<u>Item5:</u> Lisa Hustis - Henniker Historic District Commission

Old Business

<u>Item6:</u> Review of public minutes of October 1, 2019

Item7: Review of non-public minutes of October 1, 2019

Other Business

Public Forum #2

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Non-Public

Item8: Non-public RSA 91-A:3 II (e)

<u>Adjourn</u>

Notice posted on: October 11, 2019

Next Routine Meeting: November 5, 2019

Items for the next agenda, with completed backup, must be in the Selectmen's Office no later than 12:00 noon on October 31, 2019

Henniker's unique legacy

of preserving historic bridges began with the Great New England Hurricane of September 1938, the region's most destructive storm of the 20th century. New Hampshire Highway Department replaced forty-nine town bridges and eleven state bridges destroyed by the storm including the 18th century stone double-arch bridge at Henniker's heart.





It completely collapsed, its foundations weakened by the 1936 Flood that destroyed the Leatherboard Bridge (now Ramsdell Road Bridge) just downstream. The state designed a plain concrete arch replacement bridge, but Henniker voters, seeing their heritage at stake, approved funds to replicate the landmark in stone.

Sixty years later the Town saved Patterson Hill Road Bridge, a rare surviving Pratt Truss. Patented by Thomas Pratt in 1844, its the first scientifically designed truss and one of the most widely used types in the world.

A sign at the intersection of Western and Patterson Hill roads provides more information on Henniker's historic bridges.

John William Storrs

Bridge Engineer & Public Servant
Extraordinaire

In 1915, John Storrs (1858-1942) designed Henniker's Patterson Hill Bridge and five other bridges for the city of Concord including Pembroke Bridge that was stored and reused for Henniker's Western Avenue Bridge in



1933. After 13 years as a bridge engineer with the Boston & Maine Railroad, he was appointed state highway engineer in 1903 and helped develop the state highway system. From 1905 to 1925 Storrs ran a consulting engineering practice in Concord and designed over 100 bridges in New Hampshire. He was appointed Engineer of the Public Service Commission in 1911, Commissioner in 1918 and Chairman from 1928 to 1930. A native of Concord, Storrs served as mayor for five consecutive terms between 1933 and 1942, dying in office at age 83, the country's oldest mayor.

This publication was prepared to help mitigate adverse effects to historic resources resulting from the replacement of Henniker's Western Avenue Bridge, completed 2017. It was required by the project Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Henniker, the NH Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration and the NH State Historic Preservation Office, and produced by Henniker Historical Society and Historic Documentation Company, Inc. with funding from the Town of Henniker, NH Department of Transportation and the Federal Highway Administration.

Historic Bridges of Henniker, New Hampshire



Rebuilding Henniker's 18th-century double stone arch bridge in 1938. Photo courtesy Henniker Historical Society.

Henniker's Legacy Preserved and Replicated Historic Highway Bridges

Edna Dean Proctor Bridge
1780/1939
Patterson Hill Bridge
1915/1999
Western Avenue Bridge
1933/2017
Ramsdell Road Bridge
1937/2008
New England College Bridge
1972



Western Avenue Bridge

Built by NH Highway Dept. in 1933 to bypass Patterson Hill Road Bridge, the two spans were salvaged from Pembroke Bridge in Concord, a Pratt Truss bridge designed by John W. Storrs and built in 1915. Closed due to advanced deterioration in 2009, engineers unsucessfully sought ways to restore the historic bridge.



Although more expensive than other replacement options, a Warren Truss of the historic low or "pony" type without overhead bracing and compatible with the historic setting was erected in 2018.

Patterson Hill Road Bridge

Designed by John W. Storrs, the state's preeminent bridge engineer of the early 20th century, this 113' Pratt Truss was erected by Groton Bridge Co. in 1915. By 1933 it was obsolete for bigger, heavier

vehicles and bypassed by the Western Avenue Bridge. Although slated for removal, demolition funds were directed elsewhere and it survived another 65 years until 1999 when Henniker voted to save and restore the historic bridge, now the oldest Storrs' truss in service and one of the few remaining examples in the state.



New England College Bridge

To commemorate its 25th year, this innovative college built an authentic covered bridge to join athletic fields and the campus on either side of the Contoocook River. Covered bridge builder Milton Graton and son Arnold completed the 124'-span Town Lattice Truss in 1972 using historic materials and methods. It was listed on the NH State Register of Historic Places in 2002 for exceptional craftsmanship and for spearheading the revival of traditional covered bridge construction in NH.



Named in honor of Henniker's renown poet and benefactor, this reinforced concrete bridge with stone facing was built in 1939 to replace the original stone arch bridge built in 1780 and



destroyed in the 1938 Hurricane. With funds from the Proctor Family Trust, stone from the collapsed bridge was salvaged and applied over the concrete to duplicate the appearance of the old bridge.

Old Weare Rd



Ramsdell Road Bridge
This riveted Warren

Truss, built 1937, replaced an iron truss destroyed by the 1936 flood. Several identical bridges were built in NH with federal flood disaster funds. Lower Falls Covered Bridge preceded the iron bridge – it burned in 1900. The

Town of Henniker, with the Federal Highway Admin. and NH Dept. of Transportation, rehabilitated the National Register eligible bridge in 2008 to modern standards. Photo at right shows the bridge and old "Leatherboard" factory in 1942.

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Board of Selectmen Consent Agenda October 15, 2019

Consent Agenda

1. PA 28 Inventory Penalty Warrant		
Board of Selectmen Approval:		
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Selectmen's Meeting.	ect to change until 4.50 pm the day of a	i scrieduled

HENNIKER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Memo

To: Russ Roy, Finance Director

From: Chief Matthew French

Date: October 1, 2019

Russ,

As you know the Board of Selectman approved the hiring of Jake Bois as a full time officer at the September 17 meeting. I would like to request to have a formal pinning ceremony the October 15th meeting. Bois will have his uniforms by then and will be pinned by his wife Debbie.

If you have any questions please contact me.

Thank you.

Option B – Eversource 3 phase pole placement



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TRACKLESS VEHICLES DOUBLE TRIP PLOW



Winter can take a toll on sidewalks creating uneven surfaces which makes plowing snow difficult. The Double Trip Sidewalk Plow was built for municipalities that have a significant number of toe trips resulting in constant plow tripping. The double trip system trips the mouldboard 35° and the cutting edge 40° which protects both the plow and the MT from damage when obstacles are encountered.

Plow Tripping:

The dual action trip system provides a smoother trip than conventional trip-edge plows and does not require the operator to stop or slow down for the mouldboard and cutting edge to return to the proper position.

General Info

Blade Angling: 30° left or right

Cutting Edge: 1/2" x 6" hardened steel

Skid shoes: 2 adjustable

Cylinders: 2 single acting

Mouldboard trip springs: 2

Cutting edge trip springs: 2



NEW HAMPSHIRE

554 Maple Street Hopkinton, NH 03229

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received by that date.				
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ORDER DATE	10/03/2019	CUSTOMER PO	79328KAULBACH	
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DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS:				

REQUESTED SHIP DATE 10/03/2019

SOLD TO: TOWN OF HENNIKER CHP 18 DEPOT HILL RD HENNIKER NH 03242-7368 SHIP TO: TOWN OF HENNIKER CHT RAMSDALE RD HENNIKER NH 03242

DESCRIBT	ION/REMARKS

Trackless 5' Double Trip Plow with Angle Plow Attaching Kit

Trackless 5 Position Folding Power Angle V Plow Complete

1 Year Warranty

Respectfully Submitted, Michael Kaulbach michaelkaulbach@hpfairfield.com 603-722-8106

ITEM NUMBER	BRANCH	DESCRIPTION	PICK SLIP#/ LOT/SERIAL	QUANTITY SHIPPED	LIST PRICE	DISC %	EXTENDED AMOUNT
SIDEWALKHPF	9958	TRACKLESS DOUBLE TRIP PLOW		1	6,680.00	0	6,680.00
SIDEWALKHPF	9958	TRACKLESS V PLOW		1 1	6.860.00	0	6.860.00

Authorized Signature:	
Print Name and Title: _	
Date:	
PO#	_

R	NET DUE	CASH DISC.	IF PAID BY	SUB-TOTAL	13,540.00
E	13,540.00	0.00	11/02/2019	FREIGHT & HANDLING	0.00
A				SALES TAX	0.00
R				TOTAL(USD)	13,540.00
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To: Henniker Board of Selectmen

From: Henniker Historic District Commission October 10, 2019

Locations of Concern: Town Hall and Community Park

Request and Comments:

- 1. Henniker Town Hall entrance be brought in line with Historic character.
- 2. Improve exterior lighting and door hardware to reflect character of the building.
- 3. Move signage
- 4. Recommend selectman not grant approval for an added utility pole at Community Park

Previous steps taken:

- 1. A. Henniker Historic District Commission has researched the front appearance character of the town hall during the past several months. The commission has consulted with Town Historian Martha Taylor, Parks Dept, town administration, and contractors.
 - B. HHDC, after consideration voted unanimously to recommend improvements to the front of Town Hall to the board of selectmen.
- 2. HHDC reviewed the proposal for a new utility pole at community park and after careful consideration the commission recommends the Board of Selectmen NOT grant permission for Eversource to install said pole

Recommended Actions:

- 1. Remove trash container, flower barrels, and cigarettes container from front of Town Hall entrance.
- 2. A. Install two onion style lanterns on either side of the doorway.
 - B. Move flags 18" up from present location.
 - C. Replace outside door hardware with black handles or period hardware.
- 3. A. Move Town Hall sign with hours to front lawn with LED light.
 - B. Move Handicap Parking sign yo the north corner of building.
- 4. Paint arch above Palladian window in trim paint as per historic picture.
- 5. Recommend Selectmen reject approval of utility pole in front of community park
 The guide wire will cause a trip and fall risk. The commission reviewed, discussed, and
 voted at its last meeting to NOT approve of the installation which will not be in character
 with the community park.

Respectfully Submitted

Lisa Hustis Chair Henniker Historic District Commission























Town of Henniker
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, October 1, 2019
Henniker Town Hall

Members Present: Chairman, Kris Blomback; Vice Chair Tia Hooper; Selectman Peter

Flynn; Selectman Scott Osgood; Selectman Leon Parker

Town Administrator: Russ Roy

Recording Secretary: Kelly McCutcheon

Guests: Matthew French, Dean Tirrell, Dina Pinnell, Stef Costello, Leo Aucoin,

Mark McMurphy, Jennifer McCourt, Joan O'Connor, Bill Marko, Lori

Marko, Jim Morse

Item 1: Consent Agenda

Vice Chair Hooper moved to approve the consent agenda. Selectman Parker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Forum #1
No public comment

Item 2: Award Fuel Bid

Russ recommended accepting the 1 bud from Ayer and Goss with heating oil at 2.449 and propane at 1.399.

Selectman Flynn moved to award the fuel bid to Ayer and Goss for the heating season into summer 2020. Selectman Parker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Item 3: Consideration of Appointment of Dina Pinnell to Energy Committee

Selectman Flynn stated Dina is very qualified based on her experience and recommends the board approve her appointment to the Energy Committee for a 3-year term.

Selectman Flynn moved to appoint Dina Pinnell for a 3-year term to the Energy Committee. Selectman Parker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Item 4: Hazardous Mitigation Plan update 2019 can be viewed by clicking here

Stef Costello stated there are over 300 pages in the update report available online and the purpose was to identify hazards before they occur and to produce the required update every 5 years as required by FEMA to be eligible for funding. Stef also thanked everyone who was involved and helped put the report together.

Mark McMurphy stated the overall goal is mitigating risk from natural hazards and other disasters such as a hazardous material accident on 202. New assets include waste water data base to mitigate pipe breakage. A couple priorities include larger egress for sub division, increasing evacuation levels in flood areas, maintenance plan to keep ditch and catch basins clear, as well as a pedestrian study. The down town area is risky to walk even with the sidewalks.

Police Chief Matt French stated one of his recommendations would be for the Hazard Mitigation Committee to meet quarterly to stay up to date and suggested the plan be reviewed each year.

Vice Chair Hooper asked what the next step is. Stef stated it will be submitted to Homeland Security and FEMA for approval and would get APA status, where there will be another public adoption of the plan to sign off for final approval and sent to Homeland Security and FEMA and will be good for 5 years. Stef agreed with Police Chief French in that the Hazardous Mitigation Committee should meet quarterly or at minimum semi annually in order to stay on top on new hazards.

Vice Chair Hooper moved to have Stef Costello submit the Hazardous Mitigation Plan to Homeland Security and FEMA as required by law and to bring forth any changes as needed. Selectman Parker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Item 5: Leo Aucoin, Highway Supervisor

- The guard rail put up on River Road over a year ago saved 4 young peoples' lives today by keeping them from going over the edge. The rail is being repaired ASAP.
- Quaker Street Road Project: The road is complete (culverts, gravel, tie ins) and town council stated once the Board accepts the road as built it will allow the road to be open, and the town engineer stated everything looked good.

Selectmen Parker moved to approve Quaker Street Road as built. Selectman Flynn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

- Western Ave to Cote Hill and town line should have a bid listing put out now with a close date of late December and a preconstruction meeting in November for the upcoming 2020 season. Leo hopes the early bid will attract a broader selection of contractors.

Vice Chair Hooper moved to approve to send the RFP (request for proposal) to be written by Mike Vignale for Cote Hill to the Town line. Selectman Parker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

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- Hall Ave and Prospect St. are complete in terms of the side walk, with the final coat to be applied in the spring. The TAP grant program does require a vote for the time extension.

Vice Chair Hooper moved to approve the extension for TAP grant project 40440 to extend until October 30, 2019. Selectman Parker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

-Time extension on Western Ave.: All the drainage is near complete; the box culvert is still under construction and will be delivered November 2nd. At this time Edmunds and GMI are going to reclaim the road next week and put down the base and start the sidewalks. They will open the road again to install the box culvert and, in the spring, the final overly will be added. The project will be mostly completed this fall.

Selectman Parker moved to approve the time extension until November 20, 2019. Selectman Flynn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

-Eversource Pole Placement on Main Street: In order for the proposed Ice Cream Parlor to run their 3-phase equipment a new pole will need to be installed at the end of the Community Park driveway with guidewire in small grass strip and wire would be strung down then back across the street. Eversource asked for Leo's permission and Leo is asking the Board to vote on the matter since he does not believe he has the authority to make the decision.

Selectman Flynn stated there are pros and cons, one incentive being long term businesses that are investing in that area since there have not been very successful store fonts before, and if is not going to cost the tax payers that would be another incentive. However, a lot of time has been spent making Community Park look nice and the pole may deter from the esthetic of the park. Chair Blomback is also torn but is in favor of economic development.

It is asked if it could be run underground. Leo stated regardless if it is possible to go underground a pole still needs to be set. Chair Blomback asked if Daniel's has 3-phase power and Leo responded he does not know. Selectman Flynn asked what would happen if the Board does not approve the pole. It is assumed the shop owner will not be able to run their 3-phase equipment and will have to purchase 2-phase power equipment which is not as efficient. Chair Blomback asked when the Ice Cream Shop is to open. It is unknown.

Selectman Flynn moved to postpone the discussion until the next meeting. Vice Chair Hooper seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Selectman Osgood stated it is mostly the esthetic but would be good for business, and the rest of the board agreed esthetics was a concern and are not saying no, but need time to review.

Item 6: Interim Town Administrator Report

The tax rate analysis for this year is 1.22 from 1.86 last year and the drop was due to increased revenues. The school will be notified about their dip in valuation.

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The LED lighting project is waiting on contract signatures.

Transfer Station man hours going back to 2009 greater compared to current man hours now and should be considered in the coming budget process. Vice Chair Hooper stated the positions this year reflect the positions last year. Russ stated there were more man hours. Vice Chair Hooper acknowledge the loss of one of the Transfer station employees who ran the swap shop and stated total hours cannot be looked at on their own, the actual number of employees and if they are full time or part time impacts the total hours and equates to the same man power. Chait Blomback asked if the dip is from losing an employee, Russ stated that is what the data looks like.

Item 7: Select Board Reports

Selectman Parker went to VIR infrastructure panel discussion.

Selectman Flynn attended the Energy Committee meeting.

Chair Blomback stated the Economic Development Committee is putting together a road show along with 2 or 3 public outreaches for RSA tax incentives.

Vice Chair Hooper had no report.

Selectman Osgood was asked to testify at a hearing regarding tiny houses. There are a fair number of towns that have adopted minimum house sizes to enforce codes, and there are codes for tiny homes with foundations, but not tiny homes on wheels. Tiny homes are assessed based on what people are willing to pay for them.

Item 8: Review of public minutes of September 17, 2019

Vice Chair Hooper moved to approve with submitted edits. Selectman Parker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Item 9: Review of non-public minutes of September 17, 2019

Chair Blomback moved to approve item 11 non-public minutes as presented. Vice Chair Hooper seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Vice Chair Hooper moved to approve item 12 non-public minutes as presented. Selectman Parker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Vice Chair Hooper moved to approve item 13 non-public minutes as presented. Selectman Osgood seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Forum #2

Fire Chief Jim Morse informed the public that Sunday October 6th from noon-4 the fire house is hosting an open house that is open to the public. There will demonstrations and food. Open to the public and everyone is invited.

Vice Chair Hooper stated Henniker Police department is doing coffee with a cop starting tomorrow at 7am at Dunkin Donuts.

Bill Marko pondered the issue of 3-phase power and hopes board would not prevent an entrepreneur from moving forward since the board talks about economic development and how import it is, and stated one more pole would not impact downtown. Vice Chair Hooper stated there has to be another 3-phase building down town. Chair Blomback did not wish to speak for the board but stated he does not believe the board is against it. Selectman Flynn thanks Bill for his input. Bill stated for some businesses it would be a huge benefit to have, and by putting it in for one business should bring in more businesses.

Chair Blomback moved to enter into non-public. Vice Chair Hooper seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Item 10: Non-public RSA 91-A:3 II (b)

Chair Blomback moved to exit non-public. Selectman Flynn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Chair Blomback moved to adjourn. Selectman Flynn seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjourn at 8:30.