TOWN OF HULL ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Date of Meeting: 1/23/23 Meeting Start: 7:05pm Adjourn: 8:25pm

Member	Present	Absent	Other
David Clinton	Х		Phil Lemnios
Jay Polito	Х		
Dan Sullivan	Х		
Peter Larsen		Х	
Chad Wolfe		Х	
Bob Carney	Х		
Robyn Healey	Х		
Jason Frady	Х		
Pat Cormier	Х		
Steven Kiley		Exc.	
Paul Schneider		Exc.	

Exhibits Description	
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Town Manager Update:

The State Aid is expected to increase about 1-2% this year and will be announced on March 1.

The town budget will be presented to the Select Board on Feb. 15

An Assistant Town Manager position has been approved by the Select Board.

\$14,000 will be needed for the search process for a new TM. The Select Board will decide at their Feb.8 meeting which search firm they will hire.

Dave Clinton suggested a motion to take the \$14,000 from the Reserve Fund balance to pay for the search.

Robyn Healy seconded. The fund contained \$25,000 before the vote. The motion was unanimous.

In answer to a question from Dave Clinton, TM replied that the Select Board does not get involved in the hiring choice but does have the right to deny approval of a candidate. Dave Clinton requested a volunteer from the AB for appointment to the TM search committee and hopes to have said volunteer by our Feb. 8 meeting.

Dave Clinton handed out a proposed schedule for the AB season.

Dave asked the board to consider a replacement for himself as chair, if not this year, then definitely next year. He would have stepped down this year but considers the need for stability with a new TM coming on.

On that basis, Bob Carney offered a motion to reappoint the current slate with Dave Clinton as chair, Jay Polito as Vice Chair and Dan Sullivan as Clerk. Seconded by Dan Sullivan

Discussion ensued with Jason Frady offering himself as Vice Chair. Jay Polito acquiesced and endorsed the transfer of title to Jason. On a Substitute Motion by Robyn Healey with a second by Dan Sullivan, the substitute motion Passed with the following slate:

Dave Clinton Chair

Jason Frady Vice Chair

Dan Sullivan Clerk

Jason Frady reported on the final recommendations of the Best Educational School Facility Committee:

As of Sept.23 2023, all 3 buildings will be used but the 6th grade will remain at the Jacobs School.

On Sept. 2024, The Memorial School will no longer be used. Grades K-7 will be at the Jacobs School and 8-12 will be at the High School.

The Memorial School will be available for projected town needs as of July 2024.

The South Shore Collaborative will be housed in the Memorial School.

There will probably be a memorandum of understanding between the town and the school department that has the school department maintaining control of the building but not getting rent from the town.

There is an expected \$500,000 per year savings in utility costs to the schools with this consolidation.

The savings could be set aside to offset increases in special ed programs.

Motion to adjourn at 8:25 Dan Sullivan, seconded by Bob Carney. Unanimous vote.