## Hull Board of Selectmen Final Minutes April 14, 2021

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was held at 7:00 p.m. on April 14, 2021 via the GoToMeeting platform as an alternate means of access pursuant to an Order issued by the Governor of Massachusetts dated March 12, 2020 Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law.

Present: Jennifer Constable, Chairwoman; Greg Grey, Vice-Chair; Donna Pursel, Clerk; John Reilly, Member; Absent: Domenico Sestito, Member. Also present were Town Counsel James Lampke and Town Manager Philip Lemnios.

Before calling the Meeting to Order Constable led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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# Public Forum re: Latitude 42 Therapeutics LLC presentation regarding their application for a Host Community Agreement to operate a medical marijuana treatment center and cultivation facility at 120 Nantasket Avenue

Constable said that on Monday evening the Board was notified by Town Counsel of the proponent's intent to make a change to the application originally as submitted and reviewed for completeness by the Board and it is her understanding that the plan is to remove cultivation from the application. Due to this change they will not move forward with the Public Forum this evening. She said the Board is asking that the applicant submit a timely description of exactly what the changes are and how it impacts the remainder of the application. At this meeting she would like the proponent to inform the Board of the changes but noted that he will not be given an opportunity to discuss them.

The proponent, Sean Power, said that over the past year he and his partner, Jeffrey Shaheen, have listened to concerns of the community and worked on a business plan and have decided to eliminate the on-site cultivation of marijuana from their application. He said they are in preliminary discussions with Lampke as to how to effectuate that change and have the process move forward as quickly as possible. They are seeking guidance as to whether they should change the application or submit a new one.

Constable said they could not provide guidance at this point as they did not know how substantial the changes are. She said the Board could make room on its April 28<sup>th</sup> Agenda for a more detailed discussion provided that they receive an amended application by April 21<sup>st</sup> specifying the changes in the application so the Board would have time to review them before the 28<sup>th</sup>. Power said he thought his was fair.

Constable noted that there were quite a few members of the community on the call and said that once they receive the revisions they will post them on the Town's website for review. Constable also noted that on March 30<sup>th</sup> the Board had voted to extend by 60 days all dates on the Host Community Agreement but in light of the current change she would recommend that the Board extend this for an additional 60 days.

| Motion | Grey   | To extend the Board's review period on the Latitude 42 application for a Host Community Agreement for an additional 60 days beyond the 60 day extension approved by the Board on March 30, 2021 including but not limited to those dates relative to expert consultants, consultation with other Boards, agencies, officials and entities, discretionary meetings with the business and the Board's conclusion concerning the HCA and any other dates concerning the right to make further extensions |
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| Second | Pursel |   |
| Vote   | 3-0-1  | Grey – Aye Pursel – Aye Constable - Aye   |

\*Reilly recused himself from this vote for reasons that are on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

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#### REQUEST FOR APPROVAL

Michael Ashe, Michael Ashe dba Seaside Transport, 88 Edgewater Road re: Transfer of Livery License for New Vehicle (2021 Toyota Sienna)

Motion Grey To approve the Transfer of Livery License for Michael Ashe dba Seaside

Transport, 88 Edgewater Road to a new vehicle (2021 Toyota Sienna)

**Second** Reilly

Vote Unanimous Grey – Aye

Reilly – Aye Pursel – Aye Constable – Aye

### CORRESPONDENCE

Lemnios said they have received a letter from Sean Bannen informing them of his resignation from the Conservation Commission effective April 14, 2021. Constable noted that during recent interviews for the Conservation Commission they had interviewed a very qualified applicant, Katherine M. Jacintho, and asked if it would be appropriate to appoint her to fill the vacant seat.

Motion Reilly To accept the resignation of Sean E. Bannen from the Hull Conservation

Commission and to send a letter of appreciation for his years of service

**Second** Grey

**Vote** Unanimous Reilly – Aye

Grey – Aye Pursel – Aye Constable – Aye

**Motion** Grey To appoint Katherine M. Jacintho as a member of the Hull Conservation

Commission with a term to expire in 2024

**Second** Reilly

**Vote** Unanimous Grey – Aye

Reilly – Aye Pursel – Aye Constable – Aye

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## **UPDATES/NEW BUSINESS**

Constable said that the Town had received a letter from the Anti-Defamation League in reference to the rescheduling of the Annual Town Meeting to a Saturday, which they felt would prevent some residents from attending and casting their votes. The letter noted that the League had been contacted by a Hull resident who said that the meeting was scheduled on a Saturday due to the availability of custodial services, which Constable stated was completely inaccurate. She noted that the Town has a history of attempting to schedule events in a way that accommodates the religious and cultural beliefs and practices of its residents. Lampke said he had spoken with a representative from the regional ADL and informed them that the change was due to the pandemic and that the Town had attempted to schedule the meeting at a time that was disruptive to the least number of people. He said it did not appear that the ADL was aware of the reasons for the change. He expressed to the person he spoke with the Town's displeasure

with the letter and asked that a follow up letter be sent. Constable thanked Lampke for reaching out as she felt it was important for the Town to respond to this.

Constable said that she, Lemnios, and Town Planner Chris DiIorio had a meeting with Mass DOT last week to discuss the regional Corridor Study that was done for Hingham and Hull relating to George Washington Boulevard as well as some issues that have been raised by residents over the last few years. She feels it was a fairly successful meeting and the Town will be drafting a letter compiling the items that were discussed including taking care of the overgrowth on the sidewalk along GW Boulevard, necessary restriping on center lines, and signalization on GW Boulevard, particularly pedestrian signals. She said they will also be putting out a presentation of the Shared Streets and Spaces project that will be underway in the next couple of months which would expand outdoor seating areas but would really focus on improving pedestrian and bike safety.

Lemnios said that for the next meeting they have interviews lined up for candidates for various Town Committees and Boards and the following night there will be a meeting with engineers relating to the changes in roadway layout on the Atlantic Avenue project which is open to anyone who would like to attend. He noted that they are in the final phase of identifying payment schedules for this fiscal year and that planning for Town Meeting is moving forward.

Constable said that one of the questions that came up at the Chamber of Commerce was about the reopening of Town Hall. Lemnios said that based on where Hull and the State currently are they are thinking they might reopen in early June with certain restrictions in place such as only one person at the counter at a time. They are also having separate discussions with the Library and the Council on Aging because they may open a little differently than Town Hall. They are looking very closely at how they can work with the COA so they can continue their outreach programs as this population is at greater risk than the general population. The COA has continued to offer meals on wheels and was also able to get a grant from the State to cover taxi services as most elders did not want to ride on a van with other people. The Library has offered pickup service on the front porch

| On a motion by | Pursel, | seconded by | Grev. | , the Bo | oard voted | unanimousl | y b | v roll cal | l to adi | ourn. |
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| Record by Kathleen Fanning |  |
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#### **Documents**

The following documents were included in the members' packets or were presented during the meeting and are available in the Board of Selectmen's office upon request:

- Agenda and Added Agenda for Board of Selectmen Meeting on April 14, 2021
- Letter from Sean Bannen regarding his resignation from the Hull Conservation Commission
- Application for Transfer of Livery License for Seaside Transport