

Hull Board of Selectmen  
Final Minutes  
August 4, 2021

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at Hull Town Hall, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts

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

Before opening the meeting Constable led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**Minutes for Approval**

<b>Motion</b>	Sestito	To approve the Minutes of the Board of Selectmen meetings on June 9, 2021 and June 23, 2021 with corrections as noted by Constable. The June 9, 2021 minutes will be corrected to state that John Reilly's term as the Board of Selectmen's representative to the Plymouth County Advisory Board will end on June 30, 2022, and the June 23, 2021 minutes will be corrected to state that Constable asked Lemnios to give an update on the American Rescue Plan, not the Harbor Plan.
<b>Second Vote</b>	Grey Unanimous	

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**Interviews for No Place for Hate Committee**

Constable said that the following applicants will be considered for openings on the Committee: Rhoda Kanet, Laurie Girdharry, Steven Greenberg, Pam Wolfe, Lynn Mazzeo, Paula Nesoff, Celia Nolan, Deborah Bayer, Valerie Carlson, Heidi Clermont, and Gabriel Ben-Yosef. She noted that most of the applicants were present at the meeting and thanked them for their interest in this Committee.

Nine of the eleven applicants were present and each spoke briefly about their interest in No Place for Hate. Each of the candidates said that they feel Hull is an open and welcoming community and expressed a desire to be part of a group that works to support and increase that openness. There was a strong commitment in each of the applicants to the concepts of inclusion, diversity, and racial and social justice. Rhoda Kanet, who had helped start the Committee in 2000, said she is pleased at the level of interest that currently exists in this Committee. Another founding member, Pam Wolfe, said that she would like to hear from the Board of Selectmen as to their vision for the Town and this Committee and said that the country currently needs a commitment to greater diversity and inclusion.

Constable said she wanted to thank Rhoda Kanet, Pam Wolfe and Jim Lampke in particular for starting and continuing this effort over the past 20 years. She said that all the candidates bring commitment and enthusiasm. She agreed with Wolfe that this is the right time for the Board to determine what their values are in terms of diversity and said it is important for them to hear the committee's assessment of the needs of the Town and where they should focus their efforts. This would allow them to give the committee more informed feedback.

Constable said four members would be appointed to a one year term, four members to a two-year term, and three members to a three-year term. She noted that when they confirmed this as a Town committee they had limited non-residents to two and at this time Gabriel Ben-Yosef is the only non-resident.

<b>Motion</b>	Sestito	To appoint Rhoda Kanet, Pam Wolfe, and Celia Nolan to three-year terms on the No Place for Hate Committee
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<b>Second Vote</b>	Grey Unanimous	
<b>Motion</b>	Sestito	To appoint Laurie Girdharry, Steven Greenberg, Paula Nesoff and Valerie Carlson to two-year terms on the No Place for Hate Committee
<b>Second Vote</b>	Grey Unanimous	
<b>Motion</b>	Sestito	To appoint Lynn Mazzeo, Deborah Bayer, Heidi Clermont and Gabriel Ben-Yosef to one-year terms on the No Place for Hate Committee
<b>Second Vote</b>	Grey Unanimous	

Lemnios noted that the one-year term would expire on June 30, 2022, the two-year term on June 30, 2023, and the three-year term on June 30, 2024. He also explained that they would need to see the Town Clerk for State required Conflict of Interest training, that they would receive a copy of the Open Meeting Law, and would then be sworn in by the Town Clerk.

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**Phil Lemnios, Town Manager re: Request for authorization to sign MA Department of Transportation Traffic Agreement regarding Atlantic Avenue**

Lemnios said that as part of the Atlantic Avenue project they will be remarking the roadway in order to keep it consistent with MassDOT rules and standards. The MassDOT has sent the Town a Traffic Control Agreement which states that the Town agrees to maintain the safety protocols in place after the project is finished and gives a lengthy list of the areas in which control mechanisms have been placed. Lemnios said he has had the Police Chief, the Deputy Police Chief, and the Public Works Director review the list and they have given their support of all of the traffic markings and control mechanisms (e.g. stop signs) that are associated with this. Since the Selectmen are the Traffic Commissioners they will need to vote to authorize the Town Manager to sign the Agreement.

<b>Motion</b>	Sestito	To authorize the Town Manager to sign on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and to send the Massachusetts Department of Transportation the Traffic Agreement regarding Atlantic Avenue
<b>Second Vote</b>	Grey Unanimous	

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**UPDATES**

Sestito noted that the Harbor Illumination night had gone very well and was something that people enjoy and draws people to the Town. Constable said she wanted to congratulate Friends of Nantasket Beach and Joe Berkley who had his exhibit “Humans of Nantasket Beach” that premiered at the Mary Jeanette Murray Bathhouse. She noted that the exhibit will be continuing Sundays from 2-5 p.m. at the Bathhouse at least through the end of August. She also said that Hull Pride is going to reconvene their Hull Pride Celebration on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 4-9 pm at the Hull Yacht Club, and they have extended an invitation to the Board.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

<b>Motion</b>	Sestito	To move to go into Executive Session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, and that the Chair declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the body; Move to go into Executive Session to comply with or act under the authority of the Attorney-Client privilege; Move to go into Executive Session to consult with
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legal counsel and obtain legal advice pursuant to the Attorney-Client Privilege and not to reconvene in Open Session. The subject matter that will be discussed is the HRA property.

**Second  
Vote**

Grey  
Unanimous

Pursel – Aye  
Grey – Aye  
Sestito – Aye  
Constable – Aye

The Open Meeting was adjourned.

Recorded by Kathleen Fanning

Approved by:

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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 for Board of Selectmen Meeting on August 4, 2021
- Letters of Interest for positions on the No Place for Hate Committee from: Celia Nolan, Deb Bayer, Gabriel Ben-Yosef, Heidi Clermont, Laurie Girdharry, Lynn Mazzeo, Pam Wolfe, Paula Nesoff, Rhoda Kanet, Steven Greenberg and Valerie Carlson
- Traffic Control Agreement between the Massachusetts Department of Transportation and the Town of Hull

