Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

June 13, 2019

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13, 2019, at Hull Town Hall, 253 Atlantic Ave., Hull, Massachusetts.

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

APPOINTMENTS

Forever Sunshine, LLC, regarding new parking permit for 11 cars

John Wang was present for Forever Sunshine, LLC, 305-307 Nantasket Ave., to request a new parking permit for 11 cars for short-term parking for beach-goers. He intends to hire someone to supervise the parking lot in the summer. He stated that he has talked with the owner of the bakery, who agrees with the plan.

Motion	Richardson	Motion to approve, subject to police review. Amendment: Add "and final approval by Town Counsel and Town Manager.
Second	Reilly	Amendment accepted.
Vote	Unanimous	

Lampke will check the license file to make sure there is no conflict.

Public Hearing: Alec Graziano for one-day liquor and one-day entertainment license

Alec Graziano was present to request one-day liquor and one-day entertainment licenses for a solstice festival to be held on June 22, 2019 from 3-9 p.m. This will consist of a beer tasting, with 11 local breweries represented, five local bands, and food trucks. It will be held in the back lot of the Paragon Boardwalk property, off George Washington Boulevard and behind Fascination and the arcade. The event will take place outside, with no inside activities. This is a rain or shine event. He stated that there will be at least one TIP certified server at each station. They are still arranging parking and a possible shuttle. They are requesting a license for 500 people and have sold 350 tickets so far through a ticket agency.

Lemnios noted that he has met with the applicants and with public safety and the building department. Lemnios suggested that they meet with the building department on Monday regarding the required number of restrooms. The applicant asked if they could secure approval for the tent on Thursday. Lemnios said that this was cutting it close.

Motion	Richardson	Motion to approve the solstice festival as presented, with a maximum capacity of 650, unless otherwise dictated by the building department.	

		Amendment to add "subject to sign-off by all inspectional services, Town Manager and Town Counsel." Amendment to change the hours to: "from 12 p.m. to 11 p.m., with service hours from 3-9 p.m." Amendment to add "TIP certified servers, and Common Victualers license for hours of service."
Second	Constable	Amendments accepted.
Vote	Unanimous	

Applicant interviews for Economic Development Committee

Prior to interviews, Constable asked if the selectmen would support increasing the number of members on the committee from seven to nine, and to change the number of Board of Selectmen representative from two to one.

The board voted as follows:

Motion	Constable	Motion to change to a nine-member committee
Second	Richardson	
Vote	Unanimous	

Constable further asked that the Board of Selectmen's representation on the Economic Development Committee be changed from two members to one member.

Motion	Constable	Motion as presented
Second	Grey	
Vote	Unanimous	

The board then interviewed the following for seats on the committee:

- Kara Henrick
- Lucas Patenaude
- James Pitrolo
- Donna Pursel

The board will interview additional candidates in two weeks and then make appointments.

Applicant interviews for the Board of Appeals

The board interviewed Tim Pranaitis and Richard Hennessey for seats on the Board of Appeals. Pranaitis would be a new member. Hennessey is currently an alternate and is applying for full membership. After interviewing the candidates, the board voted as follows:

Motion	Reilly	Motion to appoint Mr. Hennessy to a permanent opening and to appoint Time Pranaitis to an alternate opening.
Second	Grey	
Vote	Unanimous	

Reappointments

The board voted as follows to make reappoints to boards and committees:

Motion	Richardson	Motion to reappoint Mark Abatuno to the Economic Development Committee for a term to expire in 2021; to reappoint Selectman Constable as our Board of Selectmen designee to a term expiring in 2021; to reappoint Neil Kane to a permanent position on the Board of Appeals for a term to expire in 2020; to reappoint Pat Finn to a permanent position on the Board of Appeals for a term to expire in 2021; and to reappoint Corina Harper and Dr. Scott Grenquist both as alternate members of the Board of Appeals to terms expiring in 2022.
Second	Reilly	
Vote	Unanimous	

Motion	Reilly	Move to waive the requirement to have reappointments appear for an interview Amendment to add: "for this round of appointments, or if there is a person who wants to come in."
Second	Grey	Amendment accepted
Vote	Unanimous	

CORRESPONDENCE

Sarah Das, Letter of Resignation from the Community Preservation Committee

The board received a letter from Das, stating that she would be resigning from the Committee Preservation Committee. Lemnios will send a letter of appreciation and will arrange to advertise for a new member.

APPROVALS

Hany P. Patel regarding application for new Livery Badge for Bayside Coach

Hany P. Patel, 2 Townhill St, Quincy, was present to request a new livery badge to drive for Bayside Coach. The board voted as follows:

Motion	Reilly	Motion to approve, subject to satisfactory approval by the Police Department on driver's license status.
Second	Richardson	
Vote	Unanimous	

Request to Surplus Vehicle

The board voted to declare the animal control van as a surplus vehicle. It has been replaced by a new van provided by the town of Cohasset.

Motion	Reilly	So moved.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

James K. Leahy, regarding permission to block off 3rd Street for annual block party

The board had received communication from Leahy seeking permission to close 3rd Street for its annual block party from 5-10 p.m. on July 27.

Motion	Reilly	So moved.
Second	Grey	
Vote	Unanimous	

TOWN MANAGER

Appointment of Building Commissioner Bartley Kelly

Lemnios notified the board that Building Commission Peter Lombardo has retired and Bartley Kelly has been hired for the position. Kelly has been the town's building inspector for many years. A new building inspector will be hired as soon as possible. Lombardo will work a few hours a week during the transition. Lemnios asked the board to waive its 15-day right of rejection. Lemnios praised Lombardo for his service and expressed his confidence in Kelly.

Motion	Reilly	Motion to waive the selectmen's right of review.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Letter from 31 Beach Avenue regarding wall repair

The owner of 31 Beach Avenue has requested permission to repair a wall. The Conservation Commission has given its approval. The wall is on town property, but is not a town wall, thus requires board approval. Lampke will work on the legal aspects of the approval.

Motion	Reilly	Motion to grant permission subject to the appropriate legal documents being put into place.
Second	Grey	
Vote	Unanimous	

Review of Board of Selectmen Rules and Regulations

The board discussed potential edits to its rules and regulations (see document) and will continue to do so in upcoming meetings.

Reorganization of Board

Reilly suggested that the board officers remain the same, and made a motion for this. Constable stated that she would like to be considered for the chair of the board. Grey stated his support for Constable. The board voted as follows:

Motion	Reilly	Motion that we continue in the present offices of the make up of the board as we have now.

Second	Richardson	
Vote	Passed 3-2	Aye: Reilly, Richardson, Sestito No: Constable, Grey

Reilly then asked for a reconsideration in order to show unity.

Motion	Reilly	Motion to reconsider
Second	Grey	
Vote	Passed 4-1	Aye: Reilly, Richardson, Sestito, Grey No: Constable

Motion	Reilly	Motion that we keep present offices on the Board of Selectmen the way it is.
Second	Richardson	
Vote	Passed 4-1	Aye: Reilly, Richardson, Sestito, Grey No: Constable

NEW BUSINESS

Resident Rhoda Kanet asked about the Town Meeting vote in May 2018 that voted to change the Board of Selectmen to "Select Board." This was passed, but Lampke noted that the Attorney General's office did not certify it because "Board of Selectmen" is specified in the town's charter. The charter can be changed via petition of the state legislature.

Richardson noted that at Town Meeting 2019 there was a committee member from another town who spoke at the meeting. He suggested that this should be considered when appointing committees and boards. Lampke said that certain boards require members to be registered voters and others do not. He said that it can be made a consideration when appointing.

Reilly said that he would like to see a one-way section of Coburn Street return to a 2-way street. Lemnios will refer this to the Police Department. Richardson asked that the Police Department also look at the parking situation and signage at Bay Avenue East.

Constable noted that Manet Health is having a 40^{th} anniversary celebration on June 20 in Quincy and asked the board to issue a citation. The board voted as follows:

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Second	Grey	
Vote	Unanimous	

Lemnios noted that on Wednesday June 19 there will be a meeting at the Senior Center with the Crescent Beach residents. On the 25th there will be a meeting with the Conservation Commission on the Town's Notice of Intent for a continuous dune.

Constable asked for a review of the cross-walk situation on George Washington Boulevard near the hockey rink. She stated that there is a traffic light, but no cross-walk.

Settlement in DPU 19-29, Water Rate Surcharge Case (MRAM)

The board also voted to approve the settlement with the DPU under the RIM case where the parties are agreeing that the 2% MRAM charge can be implemented for one year at this time. The purchase of the water system by Hingham will likely obviate this being an issue in the future.

Motion	Reilly	So moved.
Second	Richardson	
Vote	Unanimous	

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:30 p.m., Sestito moved that the board go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation and that the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body; to go into Executive Session to comply with, or act under the authority of the Attorney-Client privilege; to consult with legal counsel and obtain legal advice pursuant to the Attorney-Client privilege; and to not reconvene in open session.

Topics to be discussed:

- Hull and Lloyds of London
- Personnel claim
- Cummings vs Hull

Motion	Sestito	
Second	Richardson	
Vote	Unanimous	Constable – Aye Grey – Aye

Sestito – Aye Richardson – Aye Reilly – Aye
Note: Reilly will recuse himself from any police-related matters

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Recorded by Catherine Goldhammer

Approved by:

Documents

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

- Agenda and added agenda for June 13, 2019
- Solstice fest overview
- Applications for Economic Development Committee from Kara Henrick, Lucas Patenaude, James Pitrolo, and Donna Pursel
- Applications for Board of Appeals from Tim Pranaitis and Richard Hennessey
- Application for parking spaces from John Wang, Forever Sunshine, LLC
- Application for livery badge from Hamy P. Patel
- Letter of resignation from Community Preservation Act from Sarah Das
- Request for permission to block a portion of third street for a block party from J. Leahy
- Request from Police Department to declare surplus vehicle
- Board of Selectmen's rules and regulations
- Letter regarding wall at 31 Beach Avenue