

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

June 14, 2018

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday evening, June 14, 2018, at Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Ave., Hull, Massachusetts.

Present: Domenic Sestito, Chair; Jennifer Constable, Vice-Chair; Kevin Richardson, Clerk; and Greg Grey, Member. Also present were Town Manager Phillip Lemnios and Town Counsel James Lampke. John Reilly, Member, was not present.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Sestito moved that the board go into Executive Session to discuss strategy in respect to collective bargaining and that the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the body; move to go into Executive Session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, and that the chair declares 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 legal counsel and obtain legal advice pursuant to Attorney-Client privilege; and to reconvene in open session.

Matters to be discussed are:

- HRA land
- DPW Union

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

Note: This was a joint Executive Session with the HRA, which convened into Executive Session at 6:30 p.m.

Following the Executive Session, the Board resumed the open session.

APPOINTMENTS

Aquarion Water grant of location hearing

Steve Olson, of Aquarion Water, was present to request a grant of location for water main replacements. Logan Road and Alsada Road are the locations to be done this year. Maple Lane and a section of Cadish Avenue would be

replaced next year. This will replace undersized mains that have a shallow depth and will save an estimated 3 million gallons of water a year. During the replacement there will be bypass piping overland and there may be a half hour disruption of service when transferring to the bypass and then again back to the new mains. Hours of operation will be 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Lemnios asked if Aquarion would supply the homes with bottled water for the time when they are on the bypass system.

Celia Nolan, 26 Alsada Road, asked how Aquarion would communicate with abutters and the town regarding the interruptions to service. Olson said there would be weekly project updates via email, and someone will knock on doors when service is about to be interrupted. He further stated that there will be an inspector on site whenever there is a contractor there. He stated that they could arrange to have a neighborhood meeting. He said that residents would always be able to get into their driveways and down the road.

Frank Coyman, 38 Alsada Road, asked if they would be digging up driveways. Olson said that they will be digging to the shut-off valve, which is sometimes located in the driveway. He said that connector pipes will be made the adequate size. Coyman expressed concern about the effects of jackhammering and possible blasting on home foundations. Olson said that if there was any damage, the contractor would pay for it. He said that prior to blasting, there would be a permit obtained and interior inspections of homes would be done, with photographs taken.

Robert Borden, 18 Logan Avenue, stated that his house is built on ledge and he would like a pre-inspection, even with just jackhammering. He said he would also require that the spigot used for the bypass connection still be usable for other purposes during the bypass. He further stated that the shut-off valve is in the middle of his driveway and he asked if it can be moved to the end of the street. Olson said that it could be. Borden also pointed out that repairs to the gas lines have left a trough in the street and he would like it to be repaved curb to curb. Olson said that when he looked at it with the DPW, it looked like patching would work. They would look at it again.

Lemnios pointed out that a neighborhood meeting would be helpful, based on the concerns from these residents. He pointed out that ledge creates problems in projects like this. Olson said that they would start immediately to put a communication together for a meeting next week. Lemnios also said that Aquarion should make people aware that they would accommodate interior/exterior inspections. Lemnios will see if DPW Director Jim Dow can attend the meeting.

Motion	Richardson	Motion to approve subject to neighborhood meeting and company entering into town's grant of location forms.
Second	Gray	
Vote	Unanimous	

CORRESPONDENCE

Steve Williamson, Letter of Resignation from the Parks and Recreation Commission

A letter from Steve Williamson notified the board that he has resigned from the Parks and Recreation Commission. Sestito asked Lemnios to send Williamson a letter of appreciation for his many years of service.

APPROVALS

The board approved the following:

Motion	Richardson	George Boylen, St. Mary's, for St. Mary of the Assumption Festival on Sunday, August 12, 2018 at 10:30 a.m.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Motion	Richardson	Martine L. Taylor, Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity, for 12th Annual Ride for Habitat on September 15, 2018, subject to applicant accepting whatever conditions placed by Police and Fire.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Motion	Richardson	James K. Leahy, 63 Whitehead Ave., for annual block party on July 28, 2018 from 6-10 p.m.
Second	Gray	
Vote	Unanimous	

Motion	Richardson	John Johnson, fundraising coordinator for Hull Boosters, for 7th annual Beach Race-Walk on Thursday, July 26 2018, at 6:15 p.m.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Motion	Richardson	Michael Domina, Hull Artists, for open studio tour, on July 7-8 and August 18-19.
Second	Constable	

Vote	Unanimous	
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NEW BUSINESS

- Constable stated that the MBTA is offering \$10 unlimited rides on the commuter rail for all zones on Saturdays and Sundays from June 9 to September 2. She also noted that the board needed a representative on the Pemberton Planning Committee. Richardson volunteered.
- Sestito read aloud an email from the 3A Task Force in response to questions about what drivers should do if an emergency vehicle is behind them in the “road diet” section of Hingham roadway. The email stated that drivers should keep driving until there is space to pull over between the delineators. In addition, emergency vehicles are aware that they can drive over the delineators if they need to.
- Sestito also noted that the Metropolitan Beaches Commission needs town representation and that Jason McCann of the Planning Board has expressed an interest. The board unanimously appointed McCann, on a motion by Richardson, seconded by Gray.
- Sestito thanked Lt. Governor Polito for her visit last week and for her interest in the town.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Sestito moved that the board go into Executive Session to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel; move to go into Executive Session to conduct collective bargaining sessions with union personnel; move to go into Executive Session to conduct contract negotiations with nonunion personnel; move to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and that the chair declares that open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the body; move to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation and that the chair declares that open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body; move to go into Executive Session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, and that the chair declares 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 legal counsel and obtain legal advice pursuant to Attorney-Client privilege; and to not reconvene in open session.

Matters to be discussed are:

- HRA land and town land
- DPW Union
- Town Manager’s employment and contract,
- Litigation regarding applications for criminal complaints.

Note: Following the motion, Lampke suggested that the board reconvene in open session following Executive Session in order to vote on the DPW contract. Sestito clarified that the board would reconvene in open session. Lemnios then suggested that the board could discuss the DPW contract in open session. The board then did so.

DPW CONTRACTS

Lemnios asked the board to approve two DPW contract successor agreements. One is a one-year agreement for this fiscal year and includes a 2% increase; the other is a three-year agreement for FY19, 20, and 21 and includes a 2% increase for years one and two and a 0% increase for year three. There is a step in year 3 that has the equivalent of a 2% increase.

Motion	Richardson	Motion to approve the contracts.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Executive Session Vote (Continued)

Sestito clarified that having discussed and voted on the DPW union contract, the board would not be reconvening in open session following Executive Session. He read the list of topics to be discussed as follows:

- HRA land and town land
- Town Manager's employment and contract,
- Litigation regarding applications for criminal complaints.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The board is scheduled to meet next on Thursday, June 28.

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 14, 2018
- Application from Hull Knights of Columbus George Boylen, St. Mary's, for St. Mary of the Assumption Festival
- Grant of location request from Aquarion Water
- Permit application from Martine L. Taylor, Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity, for 12th Annual Ride for Habitat

- Permit application from James K. Leahy, 63 Whitehead Ave., for annual block party
- Permit application from Michael Domina, Hull Artists, for open studio tour
- Permit application from John Johnson, fundraising coordinator for Hull Boosters, for 7th annual Beach Race-Walk
- Letter from Steve Williamson regarding resignation from the Parks and Recreation Commission.