# Hull Select Board Final Minutes February 1, 2023

The meeting of the Hull Select Board was held at 7:30 p.m. on February 1, 2023 at Hull Town Hall, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts.

Present: Jennifer Constable, Chair; Donna Pursel, Vice-Chair; Domenico Sestito, Member; Greg Grey, Member. Member Absent: Irwin Nesoff, Clerk. Also present was Town Counsel James Lampke.

Before calling the meeting to order Constable led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Annroval	of Minutes
ADDIOVAL	or minutes

Motion Second Vote	Sestito Grey Unanimous	To approve the minutes of the Select Board meeting on September 7, 2022
Motion Second Vote	Sestito Pursel Unanimous	To approve the minutes of the Select Board meeting on September 21, 2022
Motion Second Vote	Sestito Grey Unanimous	To approve the minutes of the Select Board meeting on January 4, 2023
Motion Second Vote	Sestito Pursel Unanimous	To approve the minutes of the Select Board meeting on January 18, 2023

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

# Craig Wolfe re: Approval of the date for the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Nantasket Beach Car Show to be held on September 17, 2023

Wolfe said that due to traffic considerations they have changed the Car Show from June to September and it is now scheduled for the weekend after Endless Summer. He said the event will start a little earlier than in the past and will be over by noon so that they can reopen the beach. He said there will be a large number of highly trained emergency personnel on the scene during the event to ensure that everything goes smoothly. He noted that this is a fun event that has raised over \$50,000 for Cops for Kids with Cancer and has also helped sponsor Veterans programs at the Hull Lifesaving Museum.

**Motion** Sestito To approve the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Nantasket Beach Car Show to be held on September

17, 2023 with a rain date of September 24, 2023

**Second** Grey **Vote** Unanimous

#### Craig Wolfe re: Approval to install Veterans commemorative flags at Town Hall

Wolfe said he would like to install commemorative flags in Town Hall dedicated to local veterans who have died. The sense of the Board was that this is a worthwhile project but there would be issues to be resolved such as criteria for which flags should be installed and how they would be obtained and displayed. Sestito suggested that they ask Veterans' Agent Paul Sordillo to look at possibilities for such a program and report back to the Board. Pursel said that perhaps shop students at the high school could work with local veterans to make the shelving for this project.

**Motion** Sestito To create the Town of Hull Veterans Commemorative Flag Program with the

criteria, rules and regulations of the program to be finalized and determined by

the Veterans Agent, Paul Sordillo

**Second** Pursel **Vote** Unanimous

### Meryl Johnson re: Letter of Interest to serve on the No Place for Hate Committee

Constable noted that there are two vacancies on this committee and five applicants. She said that since several of the candidates were not able to be present at this meeting, they would not make the appointments tonight.

Johnson said she is a social worker by profession and has lived in Hull for many years and is very invested in the community. She said that she is increasingly concerned about much of what is going on in our country and feels that the No Place for Hate Committee does wonderful work in response to this and she would like to be part of it.

#### Eva Borsody Das re: Letter of Interest to serve on the No Place for Hate Committee

Bas said she has lived in Hull since 2003 and loves the diversity of the people who live in Hull. She said she was a civil rights attorney for the U.S. Department of Education investigating complaints of discrimination. She said that she has been involved in a number of activities sponsored by the Committee but would like to become more actively involved in the future.

### Kelly Lynn Crummey re: Letter of Interest to serve on the No Place for Hate Committee

Crummey said she works in marketing and communication and moved to Hull from New Jersey four years ago. She said that diversity and inclusion is of great personal interest to her and she feels that her business experience would allow her to help the Committee promote their message.

#### Kelly Lynn Crummey re: Letter of Interest to serve on the Beach Management Committee

Crummey said the beach is one of her favorite places to spend time. She is very familiar with and interested in the conflict of conservation, homeowners, and access to the beach. She feels that given the current state of the environment this is a very important committee.

## Josephine Lewis re: Letter of Interest to serve on the Beach Management Committee

Lewis said she is a life-long Hull resident and loves the beach. She has been retired for about twelve years and would like to give back to the Town and this committee in any way she can.

Motion Sestito To appoint Kelly Lynn Crummey to the Beach Management Committee for

a term to expire on June 30, 2024 and to appoint Josephine Lewis to the Beach

Management Committee for a term to expire on June 30, 2023

Second Grey Vote Unanimous

#### Danielle Dolan re: Letter of Interest to serve on the Conservation Commission

Dolan said she moved to Hull five years ago and loves living here. For many years she had a career in environmental advocacy and management with a focus on water policy and watershed management. She said she has always wanted to be involved in local government and feels that her skills and background knowledge could really serve the Commission.

Motion Sestito To appoint Danielle Dolan to serve on the Conservation Commission for a

term to expire on June 30, 2025

**Second** Pursel **Vote** Unanimous

## Edwin Richard Parsons re: Letter of Interest to serve on the Affordable Housing Committee

Before Parsons spoke, Constable noted that there are two vacancies on this committee and three applicants. She feels that this is an extremely important committee that has a great deal of work to do and suggested that the Board add an additional Citizen at Large, increasing the number of members from six to seven.

**Motion** Sestito To expand the Affordable Housing Committee from six members to seven

with an additional Citizen at Large for a term to expire at the end of the

fiscal year 2023

Second Grey Vote Unanimous

Parsons said he grew up in Hull, moved to Marshfield after he married, and has now returned to Hull. He said he has extensive experience in zoning and has always been interested in affordable housing and would like to make sure that there is available housing for people of moderate income.

# Robert Corrigan re: Letter of Interest to serve on the Affordable Housing Committee

Corrigan said he has been a resident of Hull for about 2 ½ years. He has worked in property management for thirteen years, specializing in affordable housing. He is currently a regional manager for a large company and is responsible for the oversight of about fourteen hundred affordable units in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. He feels that his work experience will allow him to contribute a great deal to this committee and to the Town.

**Motion** Sestito To appoint Edwin Richard Parsons and Robert Corrigan to the Affordable

Housing Committee, both to have terms to expire at the end of the fiscal year

2023

**Second** Grey **Vote** Unanimous

### Andrew Wohar re: Letter of Interest to serve on the War Memorial Commission

Constable noted that there is currently one vacancy on the Commission.

Wohar said he is currently serving as an alternate on the Commission and would like to fill the current vacancy. Constable said she knows that Wohar has been part of several initiatives that the Commission has taken on over the past few years.

#### David P. Irwin re: Letter of Interest to serve on the War Memorial Commission

Irwin said the Commission needs some new, young, blood and he would like Wohar be appointed to the open position on the Commission. He said he has lived in Hull for over fifty years and currently serves on the Veterans Council and the Council on Aging. He would like to serve as an alternate on the War Memorial Commission.

**Motion** Sestito To appoint Andrew Wohar to the War Memorial Commission for a term to

expire at the end of fiscal year 2023 and also to appoint David Irwin as an alternate to the War Memorial Commission for a term to expire at the end of

fiscal year 2023

**Second** Grey Unanimous

#### Timothy Patrick McCarthy re: Letter of Interest to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals

Constable said there is one vacancy on the Zoning Board.

McCarthy said he grew up in Hyde Park and moved to Hull in 2017 but has been coming to Hull for years. He worked for Mayor Menino for twenty years and for the first eight years represented him at the Zoning Board for

various projects and for six years served on the Boston City Council. He now works for the Flatley Company in Planning and Development and in this job appears regularly before zoning boards. He said that there is so much going on in Hull right now and feels his background would be very helpful to the Zoning Board.

### Patsy Anne Whitney re: Letter of Interest to serve on the Zoning Board of Appeals

Whitney said she moved to Hull from Albany, New York in 2018. She has worked in real estate for many years and has done a great deal of work with builders and has appeared before a number of boards. She loves Hull and feels her experience allows her to offer something to the Town.

Sestito asked both candidates how they feel that Hull's density affects zoning. Whitney said she thinks the Town needs to be careful about what is allowed and that side lines and setbacks will be very important because there are a lot of houses in a small space. She noted that people are used to that in Hull but she feels this is an important issue.

McCarthy said he agrees with Whitney and feels there is a fine line on this. He said that Hull is unique because of its density but they need to make sure that people can build and add on to their homes without intruding on other people. He said that every case is unique but he wants to make sure that people feel comfortable staying in Hull.

**Motion** Grey To appoint Timothy Patrick McCarthy to a position on the Zoning Board of

Appeals for a term that expires on June 30, 2023

Second Sestito
Vote Unanimous

Constable reminded each of the candidates appointed to committees that they need to complete Conflict of Interest training and be sworn in by the Town Clerk, Lori West. She also encouraged those who were not appointed to continue to be involved in the Town and to explore other possible committee openings.

#### **APPROVALS**

# Adrian Muir, Hull Nantasket Chamber of Commerce re: Request to hold Stem to Stern Yard Sale on May $20^{th}$ and $21^{st}$ 2023

**Motion** Sestito To approve Adrian Muir's request to hold the Hull Nantasket Chamber of

Commerce Stem to Stern Yard Sale on May 20<sup>th</sup> and May 21<sup>st</sup> 2023 subject

to approvals by Inspectional Services

**Second** Grey **Vote** Unanimous

Adrian Muir, Hull Nantasket Chamber of Commerce re: Request to hold Endless Summer on September 9, 2023, with a rain date of September 10, 2023

Motion Sestito To approve Adrian Muir's request to hold the Hull Nantasket Chamber of

Commerce Endless Summer event on September 9, 2023 with a rain date of

September 10, 2023, subject to approvals by Inspectional Services

Second Pursel Vote Unanimous

# Mike McGurl, Executive Director, Hull Lifesaving Museum re: Request to hold Snow Row event on March 11, 2023

Constable read a letter from McGurl outlining his request for approval of the Snow Row event. McGurl said that there would be a minimum of four support boats on the water to monitor the safety of race participants. He said that weather conditions will be followed closely and the event will be postponed or canceled if dangerous conditions are present. He said they anticipate running a spectator boat that will depart from the commuter boat dock. There will be an after-race party at the Hull Lifesaving Museum Boathouse and food will be available but will be consumed

outside. He said that through the Harbormaster, Kurt Bornheim, they have requested a meeting with Town of Hull First Responders and the US Coast Guard but a date for that meeting has not been set. McGurl said he is available to meet with Town departments and the Select Board to review plans and answer any questions.

**Motion** Pursel To approve the request of Mike McGurl, Executive Director of the Hull

Lifesaving Museum, to hold the Snow Row event on March 11, 2023 subject

to all approvals by Inspectional Services

Second Grey Vote Unanimous

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#### CORRESPONDENCE

#### Richard and Tracy Vaughan, Owners, 145 Nantasket Avenue re: Permanent Closure of 145 NA Inc., dba Nantasket Flatts

Constable said the Board had received a letter dated January 19, 2023 indicating that the owners of Nantasket Flatts have made the difficult decision to close permanently. She said they are in talks with a potential restauranteur and will be listing the property with a broker in the near future. Constable said it is sad to see a restaurant close but hopes something will take its place. Patrick Finn was present at the meeting and asked about the Nantasket Flatts liquor license. Lampke said that when a licensed establishment closes, the policy of the ABCC is that the license is considered an asset of the business and the owners have six months to either sell it or to move it to another location. Lampke said the six months starts when the Board communicates with the owners, either by letter or an in-person meeting, and informs them of their options. If nothing has been done after six months, the Board can schedule a "Show Cause" Hearing to deem the license canceled due to non-use and at this point the license would become available to be awarded to another establishment. If another business moves into that location it would not be a licensed establishment unless it received a license or was a transferee of the current license.

Motion Sestito That per Town Counsel's guidance, the Board will send correspondence to

Richard and Tracy Vaughan, owners of 145 NA Inc., dba Nantasket Flatts, informing them that they have six months to either sell their liquor license or

transfer it to another location

Second Grey Vote Unanimous

There was discussion of Hull's Home Rule Petition for additional Alcohol licenses and the proposed changes made by the Legislative committee to the legislation that would prevent certain licenses from being sold or transferred. Constable noted that in the current economic situation in which commercial establishments are not doing that well but restaurants are, the Town is in need of additional All Alcohol Annual licenses and this is an issue the Board might want to put on a future Agenda.

There were no Updates and there was no New Business to address. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

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 Select Board's office upon request:

Agenda and Added Agenda for Select Board Meeting on February 1, 2023

- Information regarding the appointment of members to the Hull No Place for Hate Committee
- Letters of Interest and Resumes submitted by candidates for the various Town Boards and Committees
- Letter from Adrian Muir to the Select Board requesting approval for the Stem to Stern Yard Sale and the Endless Summer events
- Letter from Michael McGurl to the Select Board requesting approval for the Snow Row event
- Letter from Richard and Tracy Vaughan regarding the closing of Nantasket Flatts