Hull Select Board Final Minutes April 12, 2023

The meeting of the Hull Select Board was held at 6:30 p.m. on April 12, 2023 at Hull Town Hall, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts.

Present: Donna Pursel, Chair; Greg Grey, Vice-Chair; Irwin Nesoff, Clerk; Domenico Sestito, Member. Also present were Town Counsel James Lampke and Town Manager Philip Lemnios.

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

APPOINTMENTS

Craig Wolfe re: Request to hold the National Wreaths Across America Day on Saturday, December 16, 2023

Wolfe said that on December 16th they will be cleaning off all 600 plaques at the Hull Village Cemetery and starting at noon there will be a ceremony during which they will put out 600 wreaths. Wolfe said they will raise money for this through the car shows. Pursel said that if people wanted to donate money for this ceremony, they could go to www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/ma0185p.

Motion	Sestito	To approve the first Annual National Wreaths Across America Day to be held in Hull on December 16, 2023
Second Vote	Grey Unanimous	

Hull Yacht Club, Inc. dba Hull Yacht Club, 5 Fitzpatrick Way, Jason Lee Frady (Proposed Manager) re: Change of Manager on the following licenses: (A) Seasonal All Alcohol License (Proposed); (B) Common Victualer License; (C) Entertainment License

Jason Frady, the proposed Manager, said that previously the Yacht Club had the Commodore be the Bar Manager but that had proved to be too much for one person so they had voted to approve him as the Bar Manager for this year going forward. He said he is very active in the Club and in the Town.

Motion	Grey	To approve the Change of Manager for the Hull Yacht Club as presented at this meeting
Second Vote	Sestito Unanimous	

Letters of Interest to serve on the Town Manager Semi-Finalist Committee

Pursel said there were two applicants who were not able to make tonight's meeting and she asked if the Board would be available for a brief meeting on April 24th to do the final two interviews. She said at that meeting they could vote on members for the Committee and forward the names to the consultant. She said that Paradigm plans to forward the names and resumes of the semi-finalists to the Committee on the 25^{th} and will plan to meet with them on the 27^{th} . The Select Board will have its regular meeting on the 26^{th} .

Lemnios said that Lampke had indicated that having a department head on the Committee might present an ethics problem and asked if they would be willing to remove that designation from the list. Sestito said this would leave an even number of people, so he felt they should add another member but Lemnios said he did not think that would be a problem. He said they would need to make a motion to amend the makeup of the Committee.

 Motion
 Nesoff
 To amend the membership of the Town Manager Candidate Screening Committee to include six members and to remove the Department Head representative. The Committee will be comprised of two Select Board

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Second	Sestito
Vote	Unanimous

Lemnios said that David Twombly has been appointed as the School Committee's representative on this Committee and the Advisory Board has appointed Patricia Cormier.

member of the School Committee

members, two Citizens at Large, one member of the Advisory Board, and one

Stephen Applebaum

Applebaum said he has been living in Hull since 2010. He has not been involved in Town government but would like to start and feels this Committee would be a great way to do that. He said he has never served on a search committee but in his job was responsible for training and mentoring people and interviewing job applicants. He said that he would look for a person who could work well with other people to accomplish a goal. He would like the new Town Manager to be able to identify goals and bring them to completion. He said he would be available for the required meetings.

David Irwin

Irwin said he has lived in Hull since 1971 and over the years has been involved in a number of Town organizations. He currently serves on the Veterans Council, the War Memorial, and the Council on Aging. Nesoff asked if he has any experience hiring people or working on a search committee. Irwin said he has never been on a search committee but has hired employees for his company. Sestito asked what skill or trait he feels the next Town Manager needs to have. Irwin said an ability to balance the books and to be able to say no. Pursel asked what he has found to be the biggest asset he has brought to the various town committees on which he has served. Irwin said he is not afraid to speak up and ask questions. He said he is retired and would be available for meetings.

Amy Whitcomb Slemmer

Slemmer said she has lived in Hull since 2008. She said she has been on several search committees and knows how important it is to have unanimity but said she would be committed to supporting whoever the final candidate will be. She is an attorney by profession and an Episcopal priest by vocation and has worked at several non-profits. She feels that her work with various non-profit organizations in Hull would be a great asset. Slemmer said she would love to have the next Town Manager be able to support and inspire town staff and would like to see someone who does not cause strife but allows work to continue. She would also like someone who can inspire civic activism.

Susan Mann

Mann said she spent summers in Hull for years but several years ago moved here full-time and has been involved with several organizations in the Town. She worked for the Department of Children and Family Services for thirtynine years and is very aware of state government and how it works. Since retiring in 2008 she has done counseling with victims of violence. She said that in her job with the State she was asked to interview many of the new hires. She said she is a good listener and can communicate well. She feels she has a good sense of what the people of Hull are looking for in a Town Manager and would be in a good position to develop relevant questions for the candidates. She would like the next Town Manager to have a well-rounded knowledge of what Hull is as a community.

Ann Marie Papasodero

Papasodero said she is a life-long resident of Hull. She feels that having citizens of Hull being part of this committee is very important. She said she has worked in municipalities and has a good knowledge of how they work. She said the next Town Manager must have a good management style and budget skills, as well as the ability to communicate clearly and let people know that they are being heard. She said she is a good listener and likes to ask questions.

Pauline Rowe

Rowe said she has been in Hull since 2003 and has been actively engaged in the community and is very familiar with the people and the many facets of the Town. She said she has attended Select Board meetings for years as well as School Committee meetings and meetings of various other Town boards and has always been involved in Town Meeting. She is a career educator but has been a small business owner and has a keen business sense. She said she has never been on a search committee but has been responsible for screening and hiring in the schools. She feels that communication skills are critical for the next Town Manager as well as good people skills and professional experience. She said she is a team player who works well with others, has a good sense of people, and is analytical.

William Smyth

Smyth said he has been in Hull for thirty years and has a good knowledge of its history. He said he has been involved in many searches over the years and knows how the process works. He feels the next Town Manager should understand that Hull is unique and should also understand the workings of DCR and the State. He said, however, that he would not be available for the necessary meetings as he will be in California from May 12^{th} to the 27^{th} .

Francine Townsend

Townsend said she has been in Hull since second grade. She was a teacher and a founding member of the Charter School and has also been a business owner. She was formerly a member of the School Committee and was involved in various searches during her tenure on that Committee. She would like the next Town Manager to create a welcoming environment that lets people know that Hull is a great place to be and to build a spirit of cooperation among various town departments. She feels her education and experience in hiring would be helpful to the Committee, but also noted that she is patient and willing to let people express themselves.

Stephen White

White said he has been in Hull since 2002 and is raising his family in Hull. He has been involved with several Town Boards and Committees and coaches Lacrosse. He said the town is important to him and he feels this search is critical. He said that through his work he has been involved in hiring and has been part of several selection committees. He also has extensive knowledge of how state and municipal governments work. He feels that the next Town Manager must be flexible as he feels that without flexibility it is difficult for people to see past their blind spots and acknowledge other points of view. He said it is possible that he might have scheduling conflicts for the meetings due to his coaching schedule.

Irwin asked Pursel how long the Committee would be meeting and how the process works. Lemnios gave a brief overview of the work of the Committee and said that members should anticipate about two meetings per week to complete the process.

Sestito said he thought it would be a good idea to choose an Interim Chair of the Committee. Nesoff said he would be willing to serve in this position and Grey agreed to that.

Motion	Sestito	To appoint Irwin Nesoff the Interim Chair of the Selection Committee
Second Vote	Pursel Unanimous	

APPROVALS

AF Acquisitions Corp., dba Tipsy Tuna, 276 Nantasket Avenue, Freidy Elkhoury, Manager re: (A) Seasonal All Alcohol License; (B) Common Victualer License (Change of Hours) and (Renewal)

Pursel said they are requesting to be open from 10:00 a.m. Monday through Sunday, closing at 1:00 a.m. Monday through Sunday with one hundred and forty-four seats. Lemnios said that the Change of Hours on the Common Victualer License is an administrative matter to make sure that they are serving food during the hours that alcohol is being served. He said that everything else remains the same.

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Motion	Grey	To approve the change of hours as requested as well as the renewal of he All Alcohol License and Common Victualer License for AF Acquisitions Corp., dba Tipsy Tuna
Second Vote	Pursel Unanimous	

Local 02045, LLC dba Local 02045, 2 A Street, Lisa Powers, Mgr. re: (A) Seasonal All Alcohol License, (B) Common Victualer License; (C) Entertainment License (Renewal)

Motion	Sestito	To approve the renewal of the Seasonal All Alcohol, Common Victualer, and Entertainment Licenses for Local 02045, LLC dba Local 02045
Second Vote	Grey Unanimous	

Armando Aguilar, Hull Knights of Columbus re: One Day Liquor License on Saturday, April 15, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. for a Non-Profit Organization Memorial Luncheon

Motion	Grey	To approve a One Day Liquor License for Hull Knights of Columbus on April 15, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.
Second Vote	Sestito Unanimous	

Armando Aguilar, Hull Knights of Columbus re: One Day Liquor License on Saturday, May 6, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for Sunset Camp Ice Cream Comedy Show Fundraiser

Motion	Grey	To approve a One Day Liquor License for Hull Knights of Columbus on Saturday, May 6, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Second Vote	Sestito Unanimous	

Gateway, LLC dba Dunkin', 1 B Bay Street, Ricardo Abrantes, Mgr. re: Common Victualer License (Change of Hours)

Sestito noted that Dunkin' is requesting a change in their closing time from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Motion	Sestito	To approve a Change of Hours for Gateway, LLC dba Dunkin
Second Vote	Grey Unanimous	
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CORRESPONDENCE

Henry J. Dunn, Hull Redevelopment Authority re: Letter of Resignation

Patrick Finn, Board of Assessors re: Letter of Resignation

Letter from Beach Management Committee re: Clarification of Role and Name Change Request

Pursel said she would send a letter of thanks to Henry Dunn and Patrick Finn for their service to the Town.

Nesoff suggested that they have a joint meeting with the Beach Management Committee to discuss the role of their committee. Grey said he feels it would be better to wait on this until the new Select Board is in place. The other members agreed.

The Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

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Recorded by Kathleen Fanning

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 Select Board meeting on April 12, 2023
- Letter from Henry Dunn resigning from the Hull Redevelopment Authority
- Letter from Beach Management Committee regarding clarification of their role and a request for a name change
- Letter from Patrick Finn resigning from the Board of Assessors
- Announcement Poster for National Wreaths Across America Day
- Information on Hull Historical Commission and letter of interest from Duncan Stone regarding serving on the Commission
- Application for Change of Manager of Hull Yacht Club
- Advertisement for Town Manager Semi-finalist Committee
- Letters of interest to serve on Semi-finalist Committee from: Samuel Applebaum, David Irwin, Susan Mann, Ann Marie Papasodero, Pauline Rowe, William Smyth, Francine Townsend, Stephen White, Amy Whitcomb Slemmer
- Renewal application materials from AF Acquisitions Corp., dba Tipsy Tuna
- Renewal application materials from Local 02045 LLC dba Local 02045
- Applications from Hull Knights of Columbus for One Day Liquor Licenses on April 15, 2023 and May 6, 2023
- Application from Gateway, LLC dba Dunkin; for Change of Hours