**Hull Select Board**

**Final Minutes**

**October 12, 2022**

The meeting of the Hull Select Board was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2022 at Hull Town Hall, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts.

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

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

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**APPOINTMENTS**

**Letters of Interest to serve on Town Boards/Committees**

**Zoning Board of Appeals**

Constable noted that there are currently three alternate positions open on the Zoning Board of Appeals and there are two applicants for these positions. Edwin Parsons said he grew up in Hull Village and after living in Marshfield for many years returned to Hull about three years ago. He was on the Zoning Board in Marshfield for a number of years. Max Walder said that after summering in Hull for many years he has recently moved here full-time and is living on Allerton Hill. He has an extensive background in real estate development and would like to become involved in development on a municipal level.

**Motion** Pursel To appoint Edwin Parsons to the alternate position on the Zoning Board of

Appeals for the term to expire in 2025 and to appoint Max Walder to the

alternate position on the Zoning Board of Appeals for the term to expire in

2024

**Second** Sestito

**Vote** Unanimous

**Beach Management Committee**

Jon Plotkin said he lived in Florida for a number of years but returned to Hull about five years ago. He has always been interested in beach issues and said he had served on the Beach Advisory Committee in Hull many years ago. While in Florida he served on a local chapter of the Beach Preservation Association.

**Motion** Sestito To appoint Jon Plotkin to the open position on the Beach Management

Committee for the term to expire in 2025

**Second** Nesoff

**Vote** Unanimous

**100% Clean Energy Climate Action Committee**

Mark Kohn said he has a background in science, medicine and nuclear energy and has a strong interest in clean energy. He would like to encourage the development of more solar power in Hull.

**Motion** Pursel To appoint Mark Kohn to a position on the 100% Clean Energy Action

Committee with a term to expire in 2023

**Second** Grey

**Vote** Unanimous

Constable reminded everyone that they will need to provide proof of being a registered voter in the Town, complete Conflict of Interest training, and be sworn in by the Town Clerk.

**DISCUSSION**

**Discussion of Select Board’s Goal and Objectives**

Constable noted that at the Board’s Retreat on September 17th they had established nine categories or areas to be examined and had come up with a list of goals in each category. Constable felt it would be helpful to prioritize these goals and determine which they feel are most pressing. The following categories were set by the Board: Economic Development/Community Development Planning; Transportation Planning; Housing Planning; Open Space and Recreation Planning; General Planning; Capital Planning; Resiliency Planning; Operations; Communications.

Constable said that in terms of Economic Development/Community Development Planning she would recommend continued implementation of the Unified Work Plan. She stressed that the goals of supporting year-round business incentives and pursuing a collaborative relationship with DCR are ongoing.

Constable said she feels that incorporating Complete Streets in planning and the South Shore Mobility Study should be top priorities in the area of Transportation Planning. She noted that the South Shore Mobility Study is near completion and there is a large component that relates to Hull. She felt that determining a scope for a Town Transportation Plan and working with the MBTA should also be ongoing priorities.

After discussion the consensus of the Board in terms of Housing was that the current Affordable Housing Committee should be expanded and should develop an action plan in response to the Housing Production Plan. It was also the feeling of the Board that there should be coordination with the Council on Aging in the area of senior housing.

In the area of Open Space and Recreation Planning there was some discussion around the goal of refining the Economic Development Plan for Pemberton. Constable felt this should be a top priority and Grey pointed out that there is a large open space component involved in the development of this area. Sestito noted that this has become an extremely busy area. Constable said that implementing the Open Space and Development Plan should also be a priority, as well as pursuing improvements in Fort Revere.

In terms of General Planning Constable said she feels seeking funding for a Master Plan should be a priority as there are grants that are becoming available and could be pursued. She feels that development of a Master Plan would answer questions about what the Town is doing and where they are headed. There was agreement among the Board that succession planning for the Town Manager’s office and Town departments in general should be a priority. It was also the feeling of the Board that community input is important and that their goals and objectives should be made available to the public, and that some sort of reporting on progress on these objectives would be beneficial. The Board reviewed the goals in terms of Capital Planning (update 5-year Capital Improvement Plan and review capital funding policies) and did not make any changes.

Continued implementation of the Hazard Mitigation Plan and the Municipal Vulnerability Plan were the top priorities in terms of Resiliency Planning. The Board also agreed that the Town should promote green infrastructure. In the area of Operations, the Board felt there is a need to develop better coordination and execution of Board and Committee appointments. There was also discussion of the feasibility of hiring an HR Director and an Assistant Town Manager.

Constable said she would make improvement of the quality of communication with residents, visitors and businesses the top priority in the area of Communication, followed by improvement in communications among the Board and the Board and committees. An annual review of communications policy and bi-annual legislative updates from the Town’s Representative and Senator were seen as ongoing.

There was some discussion about setting benchmarks to determine whether goals are being achieved but Constable pointed out that many of the goals are operational and would be the work and responsibility of Town staff so it should fall to them to set a process for assessing this. Constable said she would edit the revised list of goals and objectives so that the Board can do a final review and formally vote to adopt it. After being adopted by the Board the final product will be posted on the Town’s website and publicized on social media and other platforms. She suggested that perhaps the Town Manager can report back to the Board on a quarterly basis so that they can review for progress.

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**APPROVALS**

**Lori West, Town Clerk, re: Review and Sign the November 8, 2022 State Election Warrant**

**Motion** Nesoff To approve the November 8, 2022 State Election Warrant as presented by the

Town Clerk at this meeting

**Second** Grey

**Vote** Unanimous

**Christopher Russo, Fire Chief: Request to host the annual Thanksgiving evening bonfire on November 24, 2022 subject to the HRA granting permission for the utilization of their property.**

**Motion** Grey To approve the request of Fire Chief Christopher Russo to host the annual

Thanksgiving evening bonfire on November 24, 2022 subject to the HRA

granting permission for the utilization of their property.

**Second** Sestito

**Vote** Unanimous

**Richard E. Laws, Owner, Seaport Livery Service, 58 Lynn Ave: Transfer of Livery License from 2014 Toyota Avalon to 2022 Kia Carnival.**

**Motion** Grey To approve the request of Richard E. Laws of Seaport Livery Service to

transfer the livery license from a 2014 Toyota Avalon to a 2022 Kia Carnival

**Second** Sestito

**Vote** Unanimous

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Police Chief John Dunn re: Halloween Trick or Treat Hours, Monday, October 31, 2022**

Constable read a memo from Police Chief Dunn to the Town Manager regarding Halloween Trick or Treat Hours from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, October 31st. Dunn said that mountain bike patrols will be provided as well as additional patrol officers assigned during critical hours. There will be press release for this in local papers, as well as on social media.

**Motion** Sestito To approve the policies of the Hull Police Department with respect to the hours

for Trick or Treating on Monday, October 31, 2022

**Second** Nesoff

**Vote** Unanimous

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**UPDATES**

Nesoff said that on Sunday, October 16, 2022 Hull No Place for Hate is sponsoring Take a Stand in the Sand. He said people will be meeting at the Mary Jeanette Murray Bathhouse at 11:30 and at 12:00 they will be spelling out Hull for All on the beach. He thinks Police, Fire, and DCR are aware of this and they are expecting up to 400-500 people.

Constable said there was a follow up meeting today with DCR representatives and that thanks to Senator O’Connor and Representative Meschino the Town has received a $250,000 earmark. DCR has proposed a potential project list and there was a decision made today to improve and replace bench site furnishings along the entire Nantasket Reservation. DCR also reported that the fall paving program will begin soon in Lots A, E, and F and that they will be replacing 39 solar lighting poles along Nantasket Avenue. In addition, Constable said she is hopeful that there will be a partnership agreement between DCR and the Town that will run parallel to the Business Improvement District. She also reminded everyone that Hull Boosters is holding a fundraiser at Local 02045 the following evening with a percentage of the proceeds being given back to Hull Boosters.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion** Sestito To go into Executive Session to discussion strategy with respect to litigation,

and that the Chair declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect

on the litigating position of the body; Move to go into Executive Session to

investigate charges of criminal misconduct or to consider the filing of criminal

complaints; 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 legal counsel and obtain legal advice pursuant to the Attorney-

Client privilege, and not to reconvene in open session. The following subjects

will be discussed in Executive Session: subjects will include the purchase and

exchange, lease or value of real property, to wit the former MDC/DCR police

station property, to investigate charges of criminal misconduct or consider the

filing of criminal complaints and discuss strategy with respect to litigation

concerning Fort Revere

**Second** Grey

**Vote** Unanimous Sestito – Aye

Grey – Aye

Nesoff – Aye

Pursel – Aye

Constable - Aye

The Open Meeting was adjourned.

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 October 12, 2022
* Mission Statements for Zoning Board of Appeals, Beach Management Committee, and 100% Clean Energy Climate Action Committee
* Letters of Interest for Town Boards/Committees from Edwin Parsons, Max Walder, Jon Plotkin and Mark Kohn
* Memo from Police Chief Dunn regarding hours for Trick or Treating on October 31, 2022
* Request from Fire Chief Russo for approval of Annual Thanksgiving Bonfire
* Application for Livery License for Richard Laws
* November 8, 2022 State Election Warrant