



TOWN OF HADLEY  
SELECT BOARD  
April 17, 2013  
Meeting Minutes

Meeting convened at 7:00 pm, Room 203, Hadley Town Hall

**Present:** Joyce Chunglo, Daniel Dudkiewicz, Guilford Mooring, John Waskiewicz

**Absent:** Brian West

**Also in Attendance:** David Nixon (Town Administrator); Peg Jekanowski, (Admin. Assistant); Richard Trueswell, (TV-5); Dennis Hukowicz (Police Chief), Michael Spanknebel, (Fire Department); Daniel H. Zdonek, JR. Assistant Assessor, Wilfred Danylieko; (Electrical Inspector); Linda Sanderson, Frank Aquadro (Finance Committee), Marie Waechter (WGBY –TV); Chris Clark (Nexamp); Gerry Devine (Town Moderator); Bruce Jenks, Andrea Stanley, Ed O’Conner, Theodore Mieczkowski

**Approval of minutes of 04/03/2013 and 04/09/2013**

**Motion:** Dudkiewicz      **Second:** Mooring      **Vote 4-0-0.**

**Approval of warrants: Warrants 44, 44S, 44A, Payroll 83**

**Motion:** Dudkiewicz      **Second:** Mooring      **Vote 4-0-0.**

**Reorganization of Select Board & Select Board Meeting Schedule**

Nomination of Daniel J. Dudkiewicz as Chair of the Hadley Select Board:

**Motion:** Chunglo      **Second:** Waskiewicz      **Vote 4-0-0**

Nomination of Joyce C. Chunglo as Clerk of the Hadley Select Board:

**Motion:** Dudkiewicz      **Second:** Mooring      **Vote 4-0-0**

The Board discussed their upcoming meeting schedule. There will be an additional meeting on April 24, 2013 to plan for Annual Town Meeting. Town Meeting is May 2, 2013, and the next Select Board meeting will be May 15<sup>th</sup>. There is no meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup> and the Tri-Board meeting scheduled for May 15<sup>th</sup> will be rescheduled. In June, Select Board meeting will return to the regular schedule of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month. The Board also discussed inviting other Town departments to the Tri-Board meetings.

**1. Old Business #2 Facilities Plan Contract: review for signature:**

The Board has already approved awarding the contract for facilities study to DRA; this is the authorization to sign the Contract.

**Authorize the Chair of the Select Board to sign the Contract between the Town and DRA Inc.:**

**Motion:** Chunglo      **Second:** Mooring      **Vote: 4-0-0**

At this point in the meeting, Mr. Dudkiewicz asked for a moment of silence to remember the victims of the bombing at the Boston Marathon on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Dudkiewicz welcomed Mr. Mooring and Mr. Waskiewicz as the newest members of the Hadley Select Board. Mr. Waskiewicz and Mr. Mooring thanked the Town for its support.

**Appointment:**

**7:15 PM: WGBY-TV (Ch. 57): Agricultural Fair: Sunday, June 2, 2013**

Marie Waechter, Director of Engagement and Community Events for WGBY 57 (PBS) was before the Board regarding an event to be held on the grounds of Seven Sisters Market Bistro. This event title “Asparagus Festival and Gala” is an event to “celebrate agriculture” and will feature a luncheon, entertainment, craft beer tasting, and activities for the entire family. The date is June 2, 2013. At this time they expect roughly 1,200 people, and they have talked with Lowe’s regarding additional parking. They have approx. 65 volunteers at this time. Chief Hukowicz stated he has no objection. Ms. Waechter extended an invitation to other agricultural groups in Hadley, such as the Farm Museum, to join in the event. Note: an application for a special permit for alcohol and entertainment will be pursued at a later date.



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**New Business #1: Renewal of contracts: Fire Extinguisher, Electrical, Plumbing and Gas**

Mr. Nixon stated the current Fire Extinguisher Contract features an option to extend the contract one year. The Fire Department recommends this.

**Approve one year extension of the Fire Extinguisher Contract:**

**Motion: Dudkiewicz Second: Mooring Vote: 4-0-0**

Mr. Nixon stated the current Electrical Service Contract features an option to extend the contract one year. Mr. Waskiewicz asked if there was any record of savings with this contract. Mr. Nixon stated that the hourly rate was less expensive than what the Town has paid in advance. Willy Danylieko, Electric Inspector for the Town, stated that he knew of no problems with the current vendor.

**Approve one year extension of the Electrical Service Contract:**

**Motion: Mooring Second: Chunglo Vote: 4-0-0**

Mr. Nixon stated the current Plumbing and Gas Contract features an option to extend the contract one year. Mr. Waskiewicz asked if there was any record of savings with this contract. Mr. Nixon stated that the Board could defer this until he could do a check in with Plumbing and Gas inspector Dennis Fil. Plumbing and Gas Contract deferred until next meeting.

**New Business #2: Water & Sewer Applications for Abatements, Alandev, LLC, 245 Russell Street**

The Board reviewed applications for water and sewer abatements from the owner of property at 245 Russell Street who claimed that "bacteria and sediment in the water coming into his building has ruined toilet gaskets and valve assemblies" and stated that he has had to replace parts. Mr. Nixon stated that this is not a credible statement.

The Board discussed whether this was a credible claim, with Board members stating there is not a valid reason to approve the abatement application.

**Deny Water and Sewer Abatement application for Alandev, LLC, 245 Russell Street**

**Motion: Mooring Second: Chunglo Vote: 3-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstaining.)**

**Announcements:**

The Board congratulated Hadley Garden Center on their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in business.

Ms. Chunglo announced that the Hadley Mothers' Club is holding a recycling day on April 27, 2013 from 8am – 1pm in the parking lot of Hopkins Academy. Pick up service is available, there will also be a bottle/can drive, drug take back, and the Mercy Hospital Blood mobile will be on hand.

**Old Business #1-C: Nexamp Pilot:**

The Board reviewed a Payment in Lieu of Taxes proposal by negotiated between the Town and Nexamp, which is beginning a Solar Project on the Goulet Farm in Hadley. Mr. Nixon explained that a PILOT would have to be approved by 3 entities: the Select Board, the Town (at Town Meeting) and the Department of Revenue. Dan Zdonek from the Assessors' Office reviewed the figures with the Board. Mr. Nixon stated the by negotiating a PILOT the Town enters a partnership which helps them with cash flow and ultimately the arrangement brings more money into the Town. Mr. Mooring stated that setting up a PILOT is a vote of confidence in the project and ensures income for the Town.

**Place the Nexamp Payment in Lieu of Taxes Article, as negotiated, on Warrant for Town Meeting.**

**Motion: Chunglo Mooring: Second Vote: 4-0-0.**

**7:30 PM: Road Race to benefit Farm Museum: Saturday, August 10, 2013**

Bruce Jenks, Andrea Stanley and Ed O'Conner (Cambridge 5K) were in front of the Board to request permission to hold a 5 mile road race on Saturday, August 10 at 12:00 pm to benefit the Hadley Farm Museum. The event is being hosted by Maple Valley Creamery on property owned by Gordon Smith on Moody Bridge Road. They expect 1,000 – 1,500 runners and are requesting some road closing and police assistance. Chief Hukowicz stated that he has a meeting with event organizers and members of the DPW. They have a meeting on April 30<sup>th</sup> and he will report back to the Select Board after that meeting. Organizers stated they expect runners from throughout the state



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to visit Hadley and they will have first aid available. Organizers also plan to have post-race events and will be asking the Board for a one day special permit to sell alcohol.

**Old Business #2-A Budget:**

Frank Aquadro of the Finance Committee reviewed a revised budget (attached to these minutes for review.) Discussion ensued regarding communication of adjustments to various departments and how to proceed.

**Accept budget as presented:**

**Motion: Chunglo      Second: Mooring      Vote: 2-2-0 (Dudkiewicz, Waskiewicz dissenting) Motion Fails.**

Chair Dudkiewicz asked that members and department heads take time to review budget figures and take a vote at meeting scheduled for April 24, 2013. The budget will be distributed and posted on the website so all departments can review.

**Old Business #2-B Warrant:**

**Article 1 (Grants)      Motion: Chunglo      Second: Dudkiewicz      Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 2 (Chapter 90)      Motion: Mooring      Second: Dudkiewicz      Vote 4-0-0**

**Article 3 (Short-Term Borrowing Authorization)      Motion: Chunglo      Second: Mooring      Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 4 (Revolving Funds)      Motion: Chunglo      Second: Dudkiewicz      Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 5 (FY 2013 Budget Adjustment)      Taken out**

**Article 6 (Omnibus Budget)      Motion: Chunglo      Second: Mooring      Vote: 4-0-0 (Keep on Warrant, Select Board recommendation pending)**

**Article 7 (Water Plant Filtration Membrane Replacement Fund)      Motion: Chunglo      Second:                       
Vote 4-0-0**

**Article 8 (Water Meter Replacement Fund)      Motion: Chunglo      Second: Mooring      Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 9 (Capital Article)** The Board discussed the capital article containing doors for schools and equipment for Fire Department. It was decided to move on to the rest of the warrant and come back to this Article at a later time in the meeting, once other items were discussed.

**Article 10 (School Technology)** (Mr. Nixon recommends borrowing within the levy at a rate of 0.55%) **Motion: Waskiewicz      Second: Chunglo      Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 11 (Pump Stations 1 and 4 Engineering)      Motion: Chunglo      Second: Mooring      Vote: 3-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstaining)**

**Article 12 (Fire Department Emergency Management Trailer) Remove from warrant and place on Fall Town Meeting Warrant:      Motion: Mooring      Second: Dudkiewicz      Vote: 2-1-1 (Chunglo dissenting, Waskiewicz abstaining)**

**Article 13 (Fire Department Thermal Imager)      Motion to place \$6,400.00 on capital article:      Chunglo  
Second: Dudkiewicz      Vote: 3-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstaining)**

**Article 14 (Fire Department Tanker Truck) Remove article per Captain Spanknebel**



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**Article 15 (Fire Department Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus) Motion to place on capital article. Chunglo**  
**Second: Dudkiewicz Vote: 3-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstaining)**

**Article 16 (Park and Recreation – Zatyрка Park Soils) (Mr. Nixon is trying to get this funded through a grant.)**  
**Motion: Waskiewicz Second: Mooring Vote: 4-0-0.**

**Article 17 (ATB Ruling) Motion: Chunglo Second: Mooring Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 18 (Fire Chief)**

**Strong Chief** To see if the Town will vote to adopt MGL Chapter 48, Sections 42, 43, and 44 for the administration of the Fire Department, or take any action relative thereto.

OR

**Weak Chief** To see if the Town will vote to adopt MGL Chapter 48, Section 42A for the administration of the Fire Department, or take any action relative thereto.

**Motion to adopt MGL Ch. 48, Sec. 42A (Weak Chief): Dudkiewicz Second: Mooring Vote: 2-0-0**  
**(Chunglo and Waskiewicz abstaining)**

**Article 19 (Gooseberry Lane) Motion to pass over this article at this time: Chunglo Second: Mooring**  
**Vote: 3-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstaining)**

**Article 20 (PILOT for Solar) (Voted on previously at meeting.)**

**Article 21 (CPA Administrative) Motion: Dudkiewicz Second: Mooring Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 22 (Closure on Saturday – Voter Registration) Motion: Mooring Second: Chunglo Vote: 4-0-0.**

**Article 23 (Building Inspector Enforcement) Motion: Chunglo Second: Mooring Vote: 4-0-0.**

**Article 24 (Non-Criminal Disposition of violations of Article 1 Junk Vehicles) Motion: Chunglo Second: Mooring**  
**Vote: 2-2-0 (Dudkiewicz, Waskiewicz dissenting.) (Keep it on warrant with Select Board recommendation pending.)**

**Article 25 (Second Hand Dealers) Off warrant: Motion: Dudkiewicz Second: Chunglo Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 26 (Hampshire Solar) Motion: Chunglo Second: Mooring Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 27 (Size of Select Board) Motion to withdraw article: Dudkiewicz Second: Waskiewicz**

**Article 28 (Reserved for Planning Board) Motion: Mooring Second: Chunglo Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 29 (Planning Board #2) Motion: Chunglo Second: Mooring Vote: 4-0-0**

**Article 30 (Medical Marijuana Moratorium) Motion to accept article with modification of date of 2014:**  
**Mooring Second Chunglo Vote: 2-2-0 (Dudkiewicz, Waskiewicz abstaining)**

**Motion to sign warrant for 2013 Annual Town Meeting: Chunglo Second: Mooring Vote: 4-0-0**

**Other Business:** Bond Anticipatory

**1. Motion to sign Bond Anticipatory Note: Chunglo Second: Mooring Vote: 4-0-0**



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2. Joyce Chunglo clarified that at a previous meeting the Board never stated nor intended to indicate that Police Sargent Shanley did anything wrong or illegal in terms of scheduling. She stated he is a well-respected officer and relayed the apology of the Board for any misunderstanding.

**Executive Session:**

**9:23 pm: Move to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations, and not to reconvene in open session:**

**Motion: Chunglo            Second: Dudkiewicz**

Chair Dudkiewicz stated "As Chair of the Hadley Select Board, I state that the Board has moved and seconded to enter into executive session, and I state that discussing the matter in open session will have an adverse effect on the Town of Hadley.

**Roll Call Vote: Chunglo – Yes: Dudkiewicz – Yes: Waskiewicz– yes: Mooring – yes**

**Executive Session**

An informational discussion was held regarding current state of Police Union contract negotiations for new Select Board members aware of current state. No votes, no action taken.

**Adjournment**

**9:40 pm Motion to adjourn: Chunglo            Second: Mooring**

**Roll Call Vote: Chunglo – Yes: Dudkiewicz – Yes: Waskiewicz– yes: Mooring – yes:**

Motion adjourned at 9:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret J. Jekanowski  
Administrative Assistant

*Attachment: Budget Presentation*