TOWN OF HADLEY SELECT BOARD October 15, 2014 MEETING MINUTES

Pursuant to notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Select Board was held at 7pm in the Room 203, Hadley Town Hall.

Present were Guilford Mooring, Chair; Joyce Chunglo, Clerk; John Waskiewicz; Brian West and Molly Keegan.

Also present was David Nixon, Town Administrator.

Mr. Mooring called the meeting to order and announced that it is being recorded.

Approval of Warrants:

Vendor Warrants 18 & 18S

Motion to approve warrants: Chunglo Second: Keegan Vote: 5-0-0

Payroll Warrants 29 & 31

Motion to approve warrants: Chunglo Second: Keegan Vote: 5-0-0

Appointments:

7:00: Erica Johnson – Pioneer Valley Planning Commission - Community Development Block Grant. Last year the Town of Hadley participated in a block grant with Belchertown and Granby. The Town of Hadley's Housing Authority was able to secure funds for sidewalk improvements at their property. This year the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission is reapplyig for these block grants and would like to know if the Town of Hadley is interested in working with Belchertown again. The next round of applications are due in February and it is recommended that the Town of Hadley pursue the grant. There are twenty housing rehabilitation projects currently in need of support and also other Housing Authority opportunities. It is up to the Town to decide where the need is since the grant requires a target area. This can change every year and can also include infrastructure projects. Erica Johnson would write up the grant at no cost to the Town of Hadley.

Motion to apply for block grant: Chunglo Second: Keegan Vote: 5-0-0

7:15: Change of hours for LFFHA, Inc. d/b/a Liquors 44 in Hadley. At the end of the legislative session, the Governor signed an economic development bill that included a provision for package stores to open two hours earlier on Sundays effective October 23, 2014. Opening earlier requires the package store to notify the Local Licensing Authority, but no formal votes are allowed and the application may not be rejected.

Motion to acknowledge: Chunglo Second: Keegan Vote: 5-0-0

7:20: Change of hours for Four Seasons Wine & Liquor. As stated above, the Local Licensing Authority must be notified of the Sunday change of hours.

Motion to acknowledge: Chunglo Second: West Vote: 5-0-0

7:25: Transfer of Liquor License from Shiki to Mi Tierra. Tom Reidy from Bacon Wilson speaking for Dora and Daughters, LLC. states the restaurant is looking for approval for this transfer and a pledge of license. It has almost been a year since the fire and the restaurant is looking forward to reopening. Building Inspector anticipates no problems and states Mi Tierra has always been great to work with.

Motion to accept pledge & transfer: Waskiewicz Second: West Vote: 5-0-0

Old Business #1: Special Town Meeting Warrant:

Article 4: Fire Department Capital Adjustment (no financial impact)

Motion to approve: West Second: Chunglo Vote: 4-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstained)

Article 5: Buildings Critical Needs Borrowing

\$405,000 for four projects listed

Article 6: Building Critical Needs Capital Stabilization

This would address all critical need repairs totaling \$83,500 using capital funds.

Motion to accept Article 5 & 6: Chunglo Second: Keegan Vote: 4-0-1 (Waskiewicz

abstained).

Article 10 & Article 11: Pass over?

Motion to remove from warrant: Keegan Second:West Vote: 5-0-0

Article 13 & 14: Easement & Fire Hydrants Fee

Motion to defer these articles for ATM: Chunglo Second: West Vote: 4-0-1

(Waskiewicz abstained).

Article 18: False Alarms Bylaw

Counsel recommended we remove second set of fines. Recommendation pending.

Article 19: Sale of North Hadley Village Hall

The Municipal Building Articles are loaded with a lot of information and should be placed at the end of the Special Town Meeting to insure quorum. Reworked the order of the Special Town Meeting articles. Then proceeded to assign warrant speakers for each article.

Motion to approve warrant as discussed: West Second: Chunglo Vote: 5-0-0

Old Business #2: Comcast Communications transfer of cable license final decision.

Town received transfer requirement application in June and was given 120 days to review. There was a public hearing where a number of residents expressed their opinions about cable. A number of letters from people complaining about their service were also received. While acknowledging these, it is best to take an affirmative action then work it out later on. All issues have been noted and will be addressed.

Motion to transfer license from Charter to Comcast: West Second: Chunglo Vote: 5-0-0

Old Business #3: Reserve Fund Transfer Request.

At the last meeting, the Select Board agreed to withdraw a request for \$500 from the Special Town Meeting warrant and to request a Reserve Fund Transfer in that amount in order to complete the FY14 audit.

Motion to approve this request: Chunglo Second: West Vote: 5-0-0

New Business #1: Senior Center Drainage Bid Award.

Saltmarsh Industries came in as the low bidder with a price of \$47,500. All the references came back positive and Mr. Nixon recommends awarding project to Saltmarsh.

Motion to award contract to Saltmarsh: West Second: Chunglo Vote: 4-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstained).

New Business #2: Municipal Buildings Space Needs Survey

MBC would like to have every department fill out this survey with October 31st as the deadline. Once the surveys are complete, we will look more at the town's space issue.

New Business #3: Furnishing water main and appurtenances for Shattuck Road Bid Award.

It is recommended that the Select Board award the bid for furnishing the water main and appurtenances for Shattuck Road to HD WaterWorks Supply. They came in as the low bidder with a bid of \$28,507.02

Motion to award contract to HD WaterWorks Supply: Chunglo Second: Keegan Vote 4-0-1 (Waskiewicz abstained).

New Business #4: Boy Scout Troop 550 to use Hadley Reservoir.

Letter received from Scout leader asking for use of the Hadley Reservoir for Boy Scout activities.

Motion to approve this request: Chunglo Second: West Vote: 5-0-0

Announcements:

Chunglo wishes to send condolences to Gary Martin's family.

Chunglo also mentioned Red's retirement party and stated it was sad to see him leave, but she wishes him the best of luck in his future endeavors. "Good luck Red and thank you!"

There are also a number of events this weekend around town. These include the 16th Annual Harvest Festival, the 5K for Farmland, and the Mt Warner Reservation ribbon cutting.

Also, a reminder that the Special Town Meeting will be on October 30th at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment:

8:23 pm: Chunglo moved to adjourn the meeting. West seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted

Bridget Rodrigue
Administrative Assistant/Licensing Coordinator