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Town Hall Meeting Room 203 – 7:00 pm

PROCLAMATION

2018

WHEREAS, Veronica ‘Blondie’ Koziol McQueston, was born on April 16, 1918, to Lawrence and Katherine Koziol in Hadley, Massachusetts;

WHEREAS, Blondie married Alden McQueston on April 28, 1951 in Hadley;

WHEREAS, Blondie is a lifelong resident of the Town of Hadley; and

WHEREAS, she has earned the respect of all with whom she has come in contact, and the love and affection of a host of friends;

NOW, THEREFORE, We the Select Board of the Town of Hadley, Massachusetts, do hereby deem it an honor and pleasure to extend this Proclamation to Veronica ‘Blondie’ Koziol McQueston on the occasion of her 100th Birthday, with sincere congratulations and best wishes for many more happy, productive years.

Given this eighteenth day of April two thousand eighteen.”

5.2 Municipal Revenues

The Select Board will review and approve changes to departmental fees for services, permits, and licenses as per MGL Chapter 40, Section 22F.

David Nixon states that the Assessor’s office has asked that this be brought to our legislative delegation that the minimum excise bill has been kept at \$5.00 for decades it would be nice if we could raise this. We need the Select Board’s support to raise this matter with the legislative delegation.

Motion to recommend to recommend the initiative of the Assistant Assessor.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Stanley

Vote: 3-2-0

5.3 Health Insurance Plans

The Treasurer will discuss changes to the health insurance plans offered by the Town through the Franklin-Hampshire Group Insurance Trust. The Town will hold open enrollment in the last months of FY 2018 as part of the shift from a health insurance plan year that runs April 1 through March 31 to a health insurance plan year that is co-liner with the Town's fiscal year (July 1 through June 30). Plan changes could include adjusting or dropping the "Blue Care Elect" (PPO) plan.

Linda Sanderson offers an update of the healthcare plans being offered by the town. We have provided everyone with information about the changes and that we were eliminating on of the



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plans. When we eliminate the plan it will be a savings to the town of \$41,000 and it will provide our employees who carry the plan a savings of about \$2,000.

General discussion of the health insurance plans

Motion to approve changing the Town of Hadley health insurance plan to from Blue Cross Blue Shield Network Blue New England HMO plan and the Blue Cross Blue Shield Blue Care Elect PPO Plan to the Blue Cross Blue Shield Network Blue New England HMO plan only. Blue Care elect will be available only to retirees who moved out of Network Blue Regional Area and not yet eligible for Medicare, provided the plan or similar successive is available through the Hampshire Exchange.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Vote: 5-0-0

David Fill thanks the Treasurer and the Assistant Treasurer for their hard work on this matter.

6. Old Business

6.1 Annual Town Meeting Warrant and FY 2019 Budget

Michael Mason states that the warrant just came back from counsel with some language changes and there was not sufficient time to make the changes before we came in tonight. So we can't give you the form that we had worked on that you requested and we had completed because of the changes.

David Nixon states that we got the town counsel's comments just a short time ago. There are a couple of suggestions we can either go ahead as printed or since we have informed everybody already we could put all the changes on in a motion at the meeting.

Michael Mason states that the comments are basically clarification and inclusion of the MGL.

David Nixon presents the ATM warrant to the Select Board and asks that the Select Board agree that the first 5 articles are consent agenda items. The Select Board concurs.

ATM Division of Motions

Articles 1-5 Consent Agenda

Article 6-7 Moderator

Article 8 – Keegan

Article 9 – Finance Committee

Motion to open the warrant to modify Article 10.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Joyce Chunglo states that this is to add the chassis and cab to Capital Article for \$100,000 with source of funding is the Sewer Impact Fee.

Molly Keegan states that the Capital Planning Committee needs to be informed.

Vote: 4-0- 1

Motion to close the warrant.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Vote: 5-0-0



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Article 10 – Chunglo

Article 11 -

Article 12 -

Article 13 – Stanley

Motion made to support Article 13 Demand Fees

Motion: Keegan Second: Stanley

Vote: 4-1-0

Article 14 – Stanley

Article 15 – Fill

Article 16 – CPA

Article 17 – CPA

Article 18 – Keegan

David Nixon states that the Treasurer Collector Article must be split into 2 articles and that the elected officials are able to complete their terms.

Article 19 – Hadley Police Department

Article 20 – Nixon

Article 21 – Waskiewicz

Article 22 - Planning Board

Article 23 – Petitioner

Article 24 – Petitioner

Article 25 - Petitioner

The Finance Committee would like to meet next week to discuss the following budget issues – school budget, ambulance and the unknown union contracts. The Fin Com came up with the number of \$213,000 that needs to be raised.

Motion to accept this warrant subject to changes discussed.

Motion: Fill Second: Keegan

Vote: 5-0-0

6.2 Water and Sewer Rates

Please see the attached presentation from Tighe & Bond – Power point presentation (14 pages)

Mike Schrader states that the capital improvements are the driver and the changes in water are that we took out the Mt. Warner Well Rehabilitation the project is not ready to move forward right now and it has been defunded. The changes in sewer are the Vector truck is going to be pushed out until 2023 and the septage improvements and the aeration. Our numbers have been going down so we took it out because it does not make sense to add that in now. He then completes the presentation and answers questions from the Select Board.

The Select Boards states that this is a chance to inform the public that we intend to vote to set the rates next week. We need to let people know that the water is going to change this year, it can affect how people will use water this year. The recommended increases for the upcoming fiscal year will be 15% on sewer and 5% on water.



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The Select Board request for the dollar amounts at the next meeting as well as the numbers for the next 10 years.

Tighe & Bond and Marlo Warner will return next week for the vote on water and sewer rate increases.

6.3 Fire Substation Update

Joyce Chunglo states that it was a unanimous vote to move forward to keep the article on the town meeting warrant for the additional funds. The MBC also voted to keep this article on the warrant. We will let the people make the decision at the Town Meeting.

6.4 Senior Center and Library Projects Update

Jane Nevinsmith states that the Senior Center and Library OPMs are working together on the site plan to have ready to present to the planning board on May 15th.

6.5 Select Board Meeting Schedule

April 25

April 26 (Public Forum on the Annual Town Meeting)

May 2

May 3 (Annual Town Meeting)

May 16

June 6

June 20

July 11

July 18

August 1

August 22

September 5

September 19

Unless otherwise needed.

David Fill asks for a 4 month posting of meeting at all times and that this becomes the policy of the board.

Motion to approve the meeting schedule.



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Motion: Fill Second: Stanley
Vote: 5-0-0

6.6 Select Board Liaisons and Committee Appointments

Joyce Chunglo speaks to the vacancies on the board.

The Liaison Assignments will be as follows:

Chunglo – Public Safety

Keegan – General Government and Library

Waskiewicz – Park and Recreation and Veteran's Liaison

Fill – Department of Public Works

Stanley – Education

7. Other

7.1 Top of the Campus - 1 Day Liquor Request

Top of the Campus is requesting a One Day Liquor license for an event on April 25, 2018, from 5 pm - 11 pm at the Mullins Center VIP Lounge Area. This item was requested today.

Motion to approve the Top of the Campus 1 Day Liquor Request

Motion: Second:
Vote: 5-0-0

8. Announcements

Hadley Mother's Club Recycling Day is Saturday at Hadley Elementary.

The Public Forum is on April 26th 7 pm at Hopkins Academy.

The Annual Town Meeting is May 3rd 7 pm at Hopkins Academy.

9. Executive Session

9.1 Executive Session

Molly Keegan states that the Select Board will convene an executive session as per the provisions of MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21(a) (3): "To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining ... if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining ... position of the public body and the chair so declares; -- Police Union, Dispatch Union, and DPW Union and not to reconvene in Executive Session

Roll Call Vote: Waskiewicz: Aye; Fill: Aye; Chunglo: Aye; Keegan: Aye; Stanley: Aye
John Waskiewicz leaves due to executive session.

9.2 Executive Session

The Select Board will enter into Executive Session as per the provisions of MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3) "To discuss strategy with respect to ... litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the ... litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares; -- MOU American Legion.



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10. Adjournment

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Meeting was adjourned to executive session at 8:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Sanders James

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