# **BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING**

#### October 19, 2015

# 7:30 P.M. - MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING - HANOVER, NH

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Peter Christie. Present were: Peter Christie, Chairman; Athos Rassias, Vice Chairman; Nancy Carter, Selectman; Joanna Whitcomb, Selectman; Bill Geraghty, Selectman; and Julia Griffin, Town Manager.

# 1. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Christie asked for Public Comment. There were no comments from the public.

# 2. CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE REVISIONS TO ORDINANCE #27, STREET VENDOR ORDINANCE.

Ms. Griffin stated that a draft of the revisions proposed at the last meeting is included in Friday's Memo to the Select Board. Vendors are proposing to eliminate the year-to-year uncertainty about vendor locations and to allow vendors that currently have spaces to exercise the right of first refusal to abandon that particular space. Vendor permits are issued on a nine-month basis, outside of the cold weather season. They are also proposing to eliminate the temporary suspension of vendor permits for special events like the street fairs and Shrine Parade. The vendors that have permits would like to be able to continue using their spaces on those days. This used to be a bigger issue for the Shrine Parade because there were a large number of vendors associated with the event, however, this is no longer an issue for the Parade. Janet Rebman from the Hanover Chamber of Commerce was present during the meeting to present concerns about their summer street fair event. Ms. Griffin said that she included some language in the draft of proposed revisions based on the Board's concerns about there not being a lottery for vendor spaces as well as their concern about the right of first refusal.

Chairman Christie asked Ms. Griffin what the recommendation is from Town staff at this time. Ms. Griffin replied that the lottery idea is an issue they have not encountered yet as there have only been three vendors expressing interest in an ongoing basis to occupy any of the three spaces in front of Town Hall. She understands the Board's perspective of allowing a lottery system which would allow applications to be submitted by mail or in person so everyone has a chance at occupying those prime spaces, particularly if we end up with more than three people wanting any of those spaces. There are other vendor spaces on Main Street, but the three in front of Town Hall are ideal because of the open area. Book buy-back vendors use those other spaces but Ms. Griffin is hoping to move those vendors closer to the College campus, as they don't serve anyone but College students. She is also sympathetic to the Chamber of Commerce wanting to control vending in front of Town Hall during special events.

Rod Swain introduced himself to the Board as a street vendor in Hanover for the past six years. He stated that he is in favor of amending the street vendor ordinance to give existing vendors the right of first refusal on locations they had the previous year. Successful vendors bring in repeat customers, which increases sales at nearby dining and retail establishments. A fixed location year to year is essential to being successful and getting the most benefit from advertising. He said that he is in favor of removing the restriction on vendor permits for special events for the three locations in front of Town Hall. The spaces are small, leaving plenty of room for other vendors, and moving vendors from those three spaces to other locations would negatively impact sales and create a negative customer experience. He added that he is willing to donate an amount equal to what other merchants pay to be in the event.

Chairman Christie stated that he understands why it would be in the vendor's best interest to remain in the same space each year but asked Mr. Swain to address this issue as it relates to fairness to other vendors. Mr. Swain replied that it is not only in his best interest, but is also in the best interest of the Town to allow them to occupy the same space yearly. He describes his location in Hanover to outside customers as being in front of Molly's Restaurant, under the assumption that he would remain there. Adding one more vendor to the mix could change that if there were a lottery system in place. He understands that this does bring up an issue of fairness, but from his point of view, it is better for both himself and the Town for him to remain in the same space. He suggested looking at the other spaces if a lottery system were to be implemented. He added that February 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for filing an application for a vendor permit beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>, and if there were more vendors than spaces available, there is not enough time for vendors to plan for other arrangements. He suggested that a deadline of November 30<sup>th</sup> would allow sufficient time for vendors to make other arrangements should they not be able to get a space.

Robin Ng introduced herself as a Hanover resident and as a street vendor in Hanover starting this year. She wanted to address some of the previous discussion as she understands this public hearing was tabled from the last Board meeting. She had been told the hearing was postponed to tonight, yet there was still some discussion on the proposed revisions at the last meeting.

Ms. Ng addressed one of the comments made at the last meeting regarding certain vendors creating a monopoly of the three spaces in front of Town Hall. She stated that the definition of a "monopoly" does not apply to a space or spot, only to a service or to goods, so she does not agree that this creates a monopoly. If it were a monopoly, then every business on Main Street would be as well. She added that it takes a great amount of dedication to be a seasonal vendor, which she did not appreciate until she started this year. Being a seasonal vendor involves setting up and taking down equipment and materials every day. She also said that it is a benefit to the Town to know who will be vending year after year, as repeat vendors care about the presentation of their displays and act as a first line of defense in some ways, including calling the police when witnessing assaults or other crimes. Because vendors like her are there so often, it is obvious when something isn't right. They also can field questions from the public, which she believes helps reduce the pedestrian flow into Town Hall. She stressed that customer service is an extremely high priority for her, but that isn't the case with all vendors. She and the other vendors care a lot about keeping up the appearance of the area in front of Town Hall, and spend

time sweeping and taking care of overflowing trash. She said that she and the other vendors are also consistent in showing up, with the exception of days with uncooperative weather. This year has been the first in fifteen years that all three of the "prime" vendor spaces have been occupied, and she believes that the increased interest in those spaces comes from seeing how successful those three vendors are.

Ms. Ng also addressed the issue of vendor permit exemptions for special event days. She understands that many of the businesses on Main Street have an area in front of their store in which they put items out every day, but they pay a \$65 fee to do the same on special event days. She asked for clarification on this. Ms. Griffin replied that the first five feet in front of each location is privately owned, and we do not regulate any displays within that area like we do on the public sidewalk. Ms. Griffin said that she would have Janet Rebman from the Hanover Chamber of Commerce explain how it works when businesses would like to display beyond those five feet on special event days.

Janet Rebman stated that any merchant that participates in the special event days, such as the sidewalk sale, pays the fee, which is for marketing, not for a space. This advertising fee includes the business name in radio and other advertisements as well as police presence and materials to close roads, etc. This fee is for members and non-members of the Hanover Business Council, and is the same amount whether a participating business uses only the five feet in front of its store or a larger area including the public sidewalk.

Ms. Griffin added that the restriction on vendor permits on special event days stemmed from events like the Street Fest and Shrine Parade, which relied on a high participation rate in order to cover the associated costs. She believes the restriction was implemented in order to maximize the return to cover costs.

Selectman Carter felt that, for example, Lou's Restaurant paying \$65 as a percentage of donut sales compared to a street vendor selling jewelry paying \$65 seemed hugely disproportionate.

Chairman Christie asked Ms. Rebman for clarification on the fee to participate in the special event days. Ms. Rebman replied that the fee is lower for members of the Hanover Chamber of Commerce, but anyone that wishes to participate must pay the fee.

Ms. Ng stated that a \$65 fee for street vendors to participate in special event days is punitive, and it is not fair to keep street vendors from utilizing a space that they are leasing because of such an event. Street vendors need consistency in the location of their spaces in order to be successful. She also said that there was a business participating in this year's event that put out a display on the sidewalk but did not pay.

Chairman Christie asked Ms. Ng to address the fairness issue. She replied that the same opportunity has been present for the last fifteen years and it could have been taken at any time. She likened the fairness issue to any other business renting a space. They have the right to renew their lease every year, unless the landlord says "no" for good reason. The Town also has that privilege, and she assumes there would be a good reason to say "no." Street vendors should be allowed to renew a lease just like any other business.

Chris Ng, Ms. Ng's husband, introduced himself to the Board. He wanted to address the issue of goodwill. He stated that the vendors present have established goodwill, and to introduce a lottery system of issuing spaces could make that goodwill vanish.

Robert Reed introduced himself to the Board. He occupies one of the three prime vendor spaces in front of Town Hall with his hot dog cart. He started this July but had to end his season early due to a surgery. He stated that he loves being here and paid for a full season with hopes that he could return in the spring. He paid \$65 to participate in one of this year's special events, though the amount of business was no higher than any other Saturday. He added that Lou's Restaurant was selling hot dogs, which is not something they usually do. He also mentioned that he and the other vendors don't take up any more room than usual on special event days, and there was plenty of room for other vendors during this year's event. Mr. Reed's hot dog cart is a lot of weight to push from out back and he needs easy access to his vendor space. If he were not able to keep the same spot yearly, he could have to push the cart for a very long way, and his current space is ideal in regards to size and location.

Janet Rebman of the Hanover of Chamber of Commerce was present to speak to the Board about what other merchants had to say about the proposed changes to the Vendor Ordinance. Comments made by some merchants were that the vendors on the street are not taxpayers, that they don't live in Hanover, and that they don't come except for the cherry picking months. The merchants pay for staff and inventory and work even during the "yucky" months. They feel that they deserve to occupy a space on Main Street during special event days, which happen only a few times a year. Allowing the vendors the right of first refusal for their current spaces gives no chance for other vendors, and it gives the feeling that those spaces become stores competing against other stores with similar products. Merchants also feel that no one vendor should be able to monopolize any of the three prime spaces year after year. Merchants would like the Vendor Ordinance to remain as-is. Ms. Rebman stated that the opinions she was presenting were not hers, but of the merchants. One vendor outside of the three spaces was moved this year and was able to let customers know through email about the change in location and had no problems with the change. She added that she was sorry to hear about one of the merchants not paying to be part of a special event day but participating anyway.

Selectman Carter stated that she had strong feelings about some of the comments that were made by merchants related to the vendors and the Vendor Ordinance. She asked Ms. Rebman what the process was for surveying the merchants on their thoughts of the proposed changes. Ms. Rebman replied that an email was sent out to merchants asking for their input, and that there were a number of people on a committee that asked colleagues about their thoughts, though this wasn't done systematically. The Hanover Business Council also collected input during a monthly meeting. The Hanover Business Council includes all local businesses, but the list of those businesses is not kept by the Chamber as not all of those businesses are members of the Chamber. The Hanover Business Council had relayed to Ms. Rebman that the vendors are invited to the meetings but do not attend.

Selectman Whitcomb stated that she took umbrance to the comment about the vendors not being taxpayers. Many of the merchants in the area are tenants and pay rent based on square footage. The amount those tenants pay for square footage yearly is comparable to what vendors pay for

only a nine-month period. Selectman Whitcomb asked whether vendors are provided a parking space with their vendor permit. Ms. Griffin replied that there is no parking space included with a vendor permit.

Ms. Griffin stated that a number of years ago, the vendor permit fee was reduced from \$2,000 a year to \$1,200 for a nine-month period. The vendors liven up the area in front of Town Hall and add bring a nice addition of merchant activity to Hanover. She agrees that they often act as unofficial ambassadors for Hanover in their interactions with visitors.

Mr. Swain addressed some of the points that Ms. Rebman presented on behalf of the merchants. He stated that most of his customers will not give him an email address and he would not ask for one. Many of his customers are only in Town for short periods of time. Related to the comment about "cherry picking," he said that he utilizes his space even when there is snow on the ground or has to dress in several layers.

Selectman Carter responded to the comment related to the merchants being taxpayers and the vendors not being taxpayers, though some of them actually are taxpayers. This should be a moot point and she does not want Hanover to become a Town where being a taxpayer is a gateway to do business or be a part of the Town.

Related to the special event days, Ms. Ng stated that if she were asked to contribute \$65 to be included in the related advertisements, she would say yes. However, to be told that she cannot utilize her space if she does not pay is unreasonable.

Chairman Christie clarified that the issue of the right of first refusal is really about the option to renew the vendor space for the following year. Ms. Griffin agreed.

Vice Chairman Rassias stated that he is against the lottery system of issuing permits and in favor of the renewal option. Based on a business standpoint, it would be very difficult to plan from year to year without knowing whether you will continue to have a space. He added that having a steady presence of vendors outweighs the potential benefit of vendor turnover. Chairman Christie asked Vice Chairman Rassias to address the fairness issue. He replied that it doesn't bother him much because it seems similar to leasing a store space like any of the merchants on Main Street. If you want to say it isn't fair for a vendor to keep the same space year after year, you could also say that it isn't fair for the same restaurant to occupy the same space for several years.

Selectman Geraghty recommended that we allow a two-year lease option for vendor permits. The vendor would still have to confirm that they would like to keep the space for a second year. If a fourth vendor was interested in leasing one of the three spaces, they would have to wait until one of the spaces opened up. He also recommended allowing the vendors to utilize their space on the special event days and paying the fee to participate since it should ultimately increase vendor sales. Related to the deadline for filing vendor permit applications, he agreed that a sixty to ninety day notice from vendors that would like to return the following year would be reasonable. New vendors would also have the same deadline to apply for a permit.

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Selectman Carter said that she is in agreement with Selectman Geraghty's idea of a two-year lease, but suggested that the other two spaces that are used by book vendors be taken back to include in the lottery should the Board decide to go that route. The book vendors that use those spaces are buying back college textbooks and should be on the College campus as they are serving College students.

Selectman Whitcomb stated that she was for the lottery system before the public hearing, but based on tonight's discussion, she sees vendor spaces as similar to storefront spaces. Storefront spaces are typically leased for more than just a year. If the Board allows a two-year lease for vendor permits and there is a waiting list, they could take a closer look at whether the current vendors are meeting the requirements of the lease.

Ms. Griffin said that she worries that someone may question allowing someone to occupy the same space continuously on public, not private property. We do, however, lease parking spaces for six months at a time, which are public property as well. There have been instances in which someone leased a space but did not use it, which is why Lieutenant O'Neill of the Parking Division initiated a six-month lease requirement for the spaces. There have often been waiting lists for parking spaces, so the six month requirement was implemented in order to give everyone a chance to lease a space. This includes spaces in the parking garage and surface lots.

Chairman Christie stated that it was important to note the distinction between renting spaces on private versus public property. He also said that he was having trouble with the renewal option as it relates to fairness. Going to the two-year option would be an interesting compromise. He feels that vendors should be treated the same as the merchants on special event days and that the deadline should be earlier to give enough time for vendors to plan.

Selectman Geraghty clarified his idea of allowing a two-year vendor permit. Vendors would have the option to keep their space for two years but would need to verify with the Town that they intend to keep the space for the second year. After those two years, if there were more demand than spaces available, the lottery system would kick in. He suggested a deadline of November 30th for vendors to renew their spaces and for new vendors to submit applications for vendor permits.

Selectman Carter asked whether the idea is for vendors renewing their permits for the second year to keep the same space. Ms. Griffin said that would be the case. Selectman Carter also would like for the two spaces at the end of Main Street to be included should a lottery system be implemented. Selectman Whitcomb felt that this was a separate issue as those spaces are very tight and not suitable as permanent vending spaces. Chairman Christie asked whether those spaces are daily or long-term permit spaces. Ms. Griffin said that they are currently daily spaces but could be used as long-term permit spaces. There are a total of seven vendor spaces in downtown, including the three in front of Town Hall, two on the corner of Wheelock and South Main Street, one in front of J. Crew and one across the street from that. Chairman Christie said that the two-year option be put in place in a way that one space would open up each year instead of all three of the prime spaces opening up for new vendors at the same time. Selectman Carter and Selectman Whitcomb both felt that this sort of system adds too much complexity. Ms.

Griffin said that she is unsure how to she would implement a rolling lottery system. Chairman Christie withdrew the suggestion.

Selectman Geraghty MOVED to Revise Ordinance #27, Street Vendor Ordinance, to Allow Vendors the Option to Secure the Same Location for a Second Year, After Which Time the Location Becomes Available for All Interested Vendors to Secure through a Lottery System. Chairman Christie SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED 2 IN FAVOR, 3 OPPOSED TO REVISE ORDINANCE #27, STREET VENDOR ORDINANCE, TO ALLOW VENDORS THE OPTION TO SECURE THE SAME LOCATION FOR A SECOND YEAR, AFTER WHICH TIME THE LOCATION BECOMES AVAILABLE FOR ALL INTERESTED VENDORS TO SECURE THROUGH A LOTTERY SYSTEM.

Selectman Carter MOVED to Remove Section 12-C, Temporary Suspension of Vendor Permit for Special Events, from Ordinance #27, Street Vendor Ordinance. Vice Chairman Rassias SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO REMOVE SECTION 12-C, TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF VENDOR PERMITS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS, FROM ORDINANCE #27, STREET VENDOR ORDINANCE.

Vice Chairman Rassias MOVED to Accept the Proposed Revision in Section 7-A-i, Nine-Month Term Temporary Outlets (#5, #6, and #7), of Ordinance #27, Street Vendor Ordinance, to Allow Existing Holders of Nine-Month Term Temporary Outlets the Right of First Refusal of the Vending Location they Hold through December and Securing the Same Spot for the Coming Year. Selectman Whitcomb SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED 4 IN FAVOR, 1 OPPOSED TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSED REVISION IN SECTION 7-A-i, NINE-MONTH TERM TEMPORARY OUTLETS (#5, #6, AND #7), OF ORDINANCE #27, STREET VENDOR ORDINANCE, TO ALLOW EXISTING HOLDERS OF NINE-MONTH TERM TEMPORARY OUTLETS THE RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL OF THE VENDING LOCATION THEY HOLD THROUGH DECEMBER AND SECURING THE SAME SPOT FOR THE COMING YEAR.

Ms. Griffin will make changes to the draft revisions to reflect changes in wording and dates as discussed for the Board's review at the next meeting.

Vice Chairman Rassias asked whether the Town would have the option not to renew a vendor's permit for a second year should there be issued with the vendor not upholding the requirements of his or her permit. Ms. Griffin replied that she has thought about this and this has been an issue in the past, but is tricky when it involves renting a space on public property. Chairman Christie suggested adding some broad language to the ordinance specifying that the Town Manager has discretion over issuance of Vendor Permits.

# 3. HANOVER HOUSING AUTHORITY: RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT REVISED PETS, SERVICE AND ASSISTANCE ANIMALS POLICY FOR SUMMER PARK RESIDENCES.

In Friday's Information for the Select Board, Ms. Griffin included revisions to the Pets, Service and Assistance Animals Policy for Summer Park Residences, which reflects the latest in Federal and State law.

Chairman Christie MOVED to Adopt Revised Pets, Service and Assistance Animals Policy for Summer Park Residences. Vice Chairman Rassias SECONDED the Motion.

# THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT REVISED PETS, SERVICE AND ASSISTANCE ANIMALS POLICY FOR SUMMER PARK RESIDENCES.

4. APPOINTMENTS: CONSERVATION COMMISSION AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMISSION PLANNING BOARD SUSTAINABLE HANOVER UPPER VALLEY-LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Ms. Griffin stated that the recommendation for the Conservation Commission is that Jim Kennedy be appointed from an alternate to a full seat. This would not change the term, which expires in two years. Bruce Altobelli and Joan Collison are seeking reappointment to the Affordable Housing Commission. Don Derrick would like to be appointed for one year. Iain Sim and Katherine Connolly would like to be reappointed to the Planning Board and Chris Kennedy and Susan Edwards would like to be reappointed to Sustainable Hanover. Kate Connolly would like to be reappointed to the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission as one of three commissioners. There is one vacancy that needs to be filled on this commission.

Selectman Geraghty MOVED to Appoint Jim Kennedy to the Conservation Commission; Bruce Altobelli, Don Derrick, and Joan Collison to the Affordable Housing Commission; Iain Sim and Katherine Connolly to the Planning Board; Chris Kennedy and Susan Edwards to Sustainable Hanover; and Katherine Connolly to the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. Vice Chairman Rassias SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPOINT JIM KENNEDY TO THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION; BRUCE ALTOBELLI, DON DERRICK, AND JOAN COLLISON TO THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMISSION; IAIN SIM AND KATHERINE CONNOLLY TO THE PLANNING BOARD; CHRIS KENNEDY AND SUSAN EDWARDS TO SUSTAINABLE HANOVER; AND KATHERINE CONNOLLY TO THE UPPER VALLEY-LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

# 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- A. SEPTEMBER 28, 2015
- **B. OCTOBER 5, 2015**

Selectman Geraghty MOVED to Approve the Minutes of September 28, 2015. Vice Chairman Rassias SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2015.

Vice Chairman Rassias MOVED to Approve the Minutes of October 5, 2015. Selectman Carter SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 5, 2015.

# 6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS.

Ms. Griffin attended today's groundbreaking of the final building at Gile Hill and spoke at the event. All representative funding agencies attended. The building construction should be completed by the upcoming summer.

Sustainable Hanover will be hosting a Button-Up Workshop this Thursday at the R.W. Black Recreation Center from 7 to 9 PM. Lots of information will be presented on how to make homes more energy efficient. This is just one of many opportunities provided by Sustainable Hanover on educating people about options for energy efficiency. Doors will open at 6:45 PM and cookies and cider will be served.

Hanover now purchases 22.3 percent of its consumed energy through renewable resources. This is the result of solar projects we have engaged in over the last year and purchases of green-e certified renewable energy. Ms. Griffin believes this will put us in a new category by the Environmental Protection Agency, which may lead to EPA officials visiting Hanover to celebrate. Sustainable Hanover has been the driving force in getting us to this level.

# 7. SELECTMEN'S REPORTS.

#### Selectman Bill Geraghty

Selectman Geraghty met with the Finance Committee today. They are still seeking appointments to the committee, which will hopefully be done by next month. The school board budget was discussed and he shared the calendar of the Town's budget process with them.

### Vice Chairman Athos Rassias

Vice Chairman Rassias stated that the Bike and Pedestrian Committee has not met since the last Board meeting, but there have been many ongoing discussions about the Lyme Road Multi Use Path. They will be meeting on Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 PM at the Howe Library in the downstairs meeting room.

#### Selectman Joanna Whitcomb

Selectman Whitcomb said that the Chamber of Commerce met last week at the Howe Library and discussed dues for the upcoming year as well as an upcoming event called "Nineteen Days" that will take place in Hanover.

#### Selectman Nancy Carter

Selectman Carter stated that the Howe Library held its annual meeting recently and there was great attendance. The Howe Library wanted the Town to know that they are searching for new ideas. The Library's Finance Committee is in a good situation due to paying off the Library's mortgage early. Copies of "What's the New Idea?" are available at the Library for the townspeople to submit their ideas.

The Planning Board will be meeting tomorrow evening. Meetings are now held every other Tuesday at 7:30 PM here in the Board room. Tomorrow's meeting will focus on technical revisions and potential zoning amendments for Town Meeting rather than case work.

#### **Chairman Peter Christie**

Chairman Christie said the Conservation Commission met recently and discussed the tremendous amount of work being done on the trails.

#### 8. OTHER BUSINESS.

Chairman Christie MOVED to Follow the Request for a Non-Public Session to Discuss Items Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a), (c), (d) and (e).

SELECTMAN GERAGHTY VOTED YES; VICE CHAIRMAN RASSIAS VOTED YES; CHAIRMAN CHRISTIE VOTED YES; SELECTMAN CARTER VOTED YES; SELECTMAN WHITCOMB VOTED YES. THE BOARD WENT INTO NON-PUBLIC SESSION AT 9:00 P.M.

Vice Chairman Rassias MOVED to Exit the Non-Public Session at 9:32 p.m. Selectman Geraghty SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY ABSENT TO EXIT THE NON-PUBLIC SESSION.

### 9. ADJOURNMENT.

# Vice Chairman Rassias MOVED to Adjourn the Meeting at 9:32 p.m. Selectman Geraghty SECONDED the Motion.

# THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanna Whitcomb, Secretary

Minutes prepared by Adriane Coutermarsh.

# SUMMARY

1. Selectman Geraghty MOVED to Revise Ordinance #27, Street Vendor Ordinance, to Allow Vendors the Option to Secure the Same Location for a Second Year, After Which Time the Location Becomes Available for All Interested Vendors to Secure through a Lottery System. Chairman Christie SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED 2 IN FAVOR, 3 OPPOSED TO REVISE ORDINANCE #27, STREET VENDOR ORDINANCE, TO ALLOW VENDORS THE OPTION TO SECURE THE SAME LOCATION FOR A SECOND YEAR, AFTER WHICH TIME THE LOCATION BECOMES AVAILABLE FOR ALL INTERESTED VENDORS TO SECURE THROUGH A LOTTERY SYSTEM.

2. Selectman Carter MOVED to Remove Section 12-C, Temporary Suspension of Vendor Permit for Special Events, from Ordinance #27, Street Vendor Ordinance. Vice Chairman Rassias SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO REMOVE SECTION 12-C, TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF VENDOR PERMITS FOR SPECIAL EVENTS, FROM ORDINANCE #27, STREET VENDOR ORDINANCE. **3.** Chairman Christie MOVED to Adopt Revised Pets, Service and Assistance Animals Policy for Summer Park Residences. Vice Chairman Rassias SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADOPT REVISED PETS, SERVICE AND ASSISTANCE ANIMALS POLICY FOR SUMMER PARK RESIDENCES.

4. Selectman Geraghty MOVED to Appoint Jim Kennedy to the Conservation Commission; Bruce Altobelli, Don Derrick, and Joan Collison to the Affordable Housing Commission; Iain Sim and Katherine Connolly to the Planning Board; Chris Kennedy and Susan Edwards to Sustainable Hanover; and Katherine Connolly to the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission. Vice Chairman Rassias SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPOINT JIM KENNEDY TO THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION; BRUCE ALTOBELLI, DON DERRICK, AND JOAN COLLISON TO THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMMISSION; IAIN SIM AND KATHERINE CONNOLLY TO THE PLANNING BOARD; CHRIS KENNEDY AND SUSAN EDWARDS TO SUSTAINABLE HANOVER; AND KATHERINE CONNOLLY TO THE UPPER VALLEY-LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.

5. Selectman Geraghty MOVED to Approve the Minutes of September 28, 2015. Vice Chairman Rassias SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 28, 2015.

6. Vice Chairman Rassias MOVED to Approve the Minutes of October 5, 2015. Selectman Carter SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 5, 2015.

7. Chairman Christie MOVED to Follow the Request for a Non-Public Session to Discuss Items Pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a), (c), (d) and (e).

SELECTMAN GERAGHTY VOTED YES; VICE CHAIRMAN RASSIAS VOTED YES; CHAIRMAN CHRISTIE VOTED YES; SELECTMAN CARTER VOTED YES; SELECTMAN WHITCOMB VOTED YES. THE BOARD WENT INTO NON-PUBLIC SESSION AT 9:00 P.M.

8. Vice Chairman Rassias MOVED to Exit the Non-Public Session at 9:32 p.m. Selectman Geraghty SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY ABSENT TO EXIT THE NON-PUBLIC SESSION.

9. Vice Chairman Rassias MOVED to Adjourn the Meeting at 9:32 p.m. Selectman Geraghty SECONDED the Motion.

THE BOARD VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.