

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

January 25, 2018

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday evening, January 25, 2018, at Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Ave., Hull, Massachusetts.

Present: Kevin Richardson, Chair; Chris Mitchell, Vice-Chair; Domenic Sestito, Clerk; John Reilly, Member; and Jennifer Constable, Member. Also present were Town Manager Phillip Lemnios and Town Counsel James Lampke.

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APPOINTMENTS

Police John Chief-re-Officer Awards Ceremony

Police Chief John Dunn awarded lifesaving awards to Officers Stephen O’Neill and Edward Minelli for their service during the night of December 14, 2017 when they saw a fire in progress at 845 Nantasket Avenue and reacted by notifying the fire Department and then started to evacuate residents. A letter from Fire Department Captain Breen stating that their actions saved lives was read.

The Chief presented awards to each officer. The officers thanked the Chief and Board.

Reilly recommended that the board prepare a letter of commendation for both officers to place in their personnel file.

Motion	Sestito	So moved.
Second	Mitchell	
Vote	Unanimous	

CORRESPONDENCE

Jim Dow, Department of Public Works Director, regarding surplus vehicles

Communication from Jim Dow, Department of Public Works Director, asked the board to declare as surplus the following vehicles, which are not functional and have no resale value:

- 2002 Ford F-250 – VIN # 1FDNX21S22EB79320,
- 2004 Ford F-150 – VIN # 2FTRF18W94CA00095

Motion	Mitchell	So moved
Second	Sestito	

Vote	Unanimous	
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David DeGennaro, regarding application to Massachusetts School Building Authority Bureau.

Communication from David DeGennaro, Hull Public Schools Business Administrator, asked that the board vote to submit a statement of interest application to the Massachusetts School Building Authority Bureau for funding for repairs to the high school and middle school.

Motion	Richardson	Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on January 25, 2018, prior to the closing date, the Hull Board of Selectmen, in accordance with its charter, bylaws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated March 2, 2018 for the Memorial Middle School located at 81 Central Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts 02045, which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future. The building envelope related issues that meet the criteria for Priority #1 – “Replacement or renovation of a building which is structurally unsound or otherwise in a condition seriously jeopardizing the health and safety of school children, where no alternative exits.” The school building needs masonry and building envelope repair work per the Thompson and Lichtner report dated February 20, 2015 and also to replace or repair HVAC units per recommendation report from WSP Engineering Services; and hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting this Statement of Interest Form, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City/Town/Reginal School District to filing an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.
Second	Sestito	
Vote	Unanimous	

Motion	Richardson	Resolved: Having convened in an open meeting on January 25, 2018, prior to the closing date, the Hull Board of Selectmen, in accordance with its charter, bylaws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statement of Interest Form dated March 2, 2018 for the Hull High School located at 180 Main St., Hull, Massachusetts 02045, which describes and explains the following deficiencies and the priority category(s) for which an application may be submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future. The building envelope related issues that meet the criteria for Priority #1 – “Replacement or renovation of a building which is structurally unsound or otherwise in a condition seriously jeopardizing the health and safety of
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Second	Sestito	
Vote	Unanimous	

APPOINTMENTS, CONTINUED

Public Hearing: Smart Save, Inc., regarding Transfer of Liquor License

This is a public hearing regarding transfer of a liquor license (for annual package goods store) from Smart Save, Inc. dba Smart Save Variety, 169A Nantasket Ave. to Madhu, Inc., dba Smart Save Variety, Nilesch Patel, Proposed Manager.

Richardson swore in those who wanted to testify.

Attorney John Aieta, speaking on behalf of the applicant Nilesch Patel, said that Patel will be purchasing the entire business and has twenty years of experience with convenience and liquor stores. His father will also be working in the store, in addition to other part- and full-time staff members. There are already security cameras on site and hours of operations will remain the same.

Motion	Sestito	Motion to approve the transfer of liquor license (for annual package goods store) to Madhu, Inc., dba Smart Save Variety, Nilesch Patel, Proposed Manager.
Second	Mitchell	
Vote	Unanimous	

Presentation on Emergency Management Procedures by Fire Chief Chris Russo

Fire Chief Chris Russo and Deputy Chief William Frazier were at the meeting to give a presentation on emergency management procedures. This presentation is available for viewing in the video archive of this meeting and on the town website. It included information on:

- Bombogenesis
- Communications

- Staffing
- Response
- Challenges
- Sheltering
- State & Federal Assets
- Lessons Learned
- Resident preparedness

Russo noted that the type, size, and strength of the storm in addition to tides and the storm surge in the bay made this a challenging storm. He pointed out that the warming centers at the middle school were open and there were about 15 people there for several hours. He said that there were 90 calls for service in the height of the storm and that his personnel were stretched very thin in responding to these and normal call volume. He commended his men for the job they did under difficult circumstances.

Lemnios thanked Russo, Frazier and other members of the team. He said that there is an ongoing discussion about preparedness on a town level, but also on a personal level by residents, as well as long-term preparedness. He noted that in events like this storm, the mutual aid system is strained because neighboring communities are experiencing their own emergencies. He said that Russo and the emergency management team will be holding public forums in the spring to continue efforts to communicate what people can do to help themselves and prepare for storms.

APPROVALS

Anthony Ghosn, Arc lux Inc., regarding seasonal liquor license

Richardson stated that Anthony Ghosn, Arc lux Inc., dba Mambo’s, was asking the board for approval of corporate vote and the restructure of the Board of Directors relative to his seasonal liquor license which was previously approved by the board on June 1, 2017, as required by ABCC.

Motion	Reilly	Motion to approve the restructure of the Board of Directors as presented this evening.
Second	Sestito	
Vote		

NEW BUSINESS

Mitchell thanked Sestito for his work on the Marijuana Task Force public forum. Sestito noted that there was a good turnout and thanked all who were present for the forum.

Constable asked that discussion of a town newsletter and a website exploratory committee be placed on an upcoming agenda. She also suggested that in light of future development, the town assess its affordable housing and explore areas to meet those needs. She pointed out the need to address the aging demographic and the opportunity to attract millennials and young families to town.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m. The board is scheduled to meet next at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 8, 2018.

Recorded by Catherine Goldhammer

Approved by:

Documents

The following documents were included in the Board of Selectmen's packets or were presented during the meeting and are available in the Board of Selectmen's office upon request:

- Board of Selectmen's agenda and added agenda for January 25, 2018
- Request for changes to liquor license from Anthony Ghosn, Arc lux Inc., dba Mambo's
- Transfer of license request from Madhu, Inc., dba Smart Save Variety, Nilesh Patel, Proposed Manager
- Memo from Jim Dow regarding surplus vehicles
- Letter from David DeGennaro regarding school repair funding application