

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

May 1, 2007

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:37pm on Tuesday evening, May 1, 2007, at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts

Present: John Reilly, Chairman; Christopher Olivieri, Vice Chairman; Ron Davy, Clerk; John Silva, and Joan Meschino, Members. Also present were: Philip Lemnios, Town Manager, and James Lampke, Town Counsel.

Moment of Silence

A moment of silence was held on the passing of Hilda Mahoney, a long-time resident and community activist, who served in the 1960's on the School Committee and spearheaded the construction of the new Hull High School.

MINUTES

Moved-Olivieri: To accept the minutes of March 6, 2007 as resented
Second-Silva
Vote: Unanimous in favor

7:30 pm - Unanimously granted a postponement by request of the Highview Lodging Home license hearing to May 15, 2007, on a motion by Silva, seconded by Olivieri.

7:30 pm – Paul Stevelman, 180 Cadish Avenue #4-Applicant for new Livery Badge

Following an interview and finding no issues from the Police Chief, the new livery badge license was unanimously approved on a motion from Silva, seconded by Olivieri.

7:45 pm – Jeff Cameron – re: Eagle Scout Project at Cemetery Update

Jeff Cameron, who had been approved for a veterans' project at the cemetery updated the board on his progress. He reported that he has finished the catalog of all the veterans buried at the cemetery and is prepared to begin the second phase of building a kiosk next to the Highway storage facility.. Cameron said he catalogued 400 veterans including the Civil and Revolutionary Wars. In response to the advice of the Board he said he would be contacting the various department before starting the kiosk. The Members praised Cameron for his efforts on behalf of the veterans.

LICENSES

Unanimously approved the one day all alcoholic license for May 12, 2007 from 2:00-7:00 pm, to Knights of Columbus, 440 Nantasket Avenue, on a motion by Silva, seconded by Olivieri.

Unanimously approved a one-day all alcoholic license for June 2, 2007 from 7:00-12:00 midnight, to Knights of Columbus, 440 Nantasket Avenue, on a motion by Olivieri, seconded by Silva.

CORRESPONDENCE

#1. Reilly read a letter from the Plymouth County Development Council requesting reconsideration of its previous request for a \$15,000 donation to support tourism. It was the consensus of the board and Town Manager that the Town is not in a financial position to donate at this time, although it is a worthwhile endeavor.

8:15 pm – Sustainable Transportation Committee- Bicycle and Walking Plan.

Judeth van Hamm and Pat Guiney appeared before the Board to discuss the written summary plan and map for the Hull Bicycling & Walking Plan. They listed numerous ideas and were praised by the Board members for their work, thought and ideas contained in the summary plan.

Moved-Meschino: To authorize an application for an EPA Grant
Second-Silva
Vote: Unanimous in favor

Moved – Olivieri: To accept the preliminary plan as submitted
Second-Meschino
Vote: Unanimous in favor

The Board recessed at 8:50pm and returned to open session at 9:05pm.

8:30 pm – Jim O'Brien – re: Jake's Proposal

Jake's Restaurant, a Lessee of Town of Hull land appeared before the board seeking support for planned alterations to the building, which is owned by the O'Briens. Permission is needed from the Lessor to comply with the lease.

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O'Brien said he plans to use the south end deck behind the building for a wholesale lobster tank system for purchasing directly off commercial fishermen; that the middle deck area will hold 30 additional seats and the north end of the deck/boardwalk will be open to the public for strolling, sitting, and picture taking. Area in front of parking lots, 20' wide, will be used for seasonal activities including pushcarts, sailboat rentals, etc. public seating, picnic tables and extensive seasonal landscaping.

He listed the benefits as increased public access to water; float system for loading and unloading of lobsters and fish; improved landscaping that will tie in with steamboat Wharf walkway, increased value of Jake's translating to increased lease payments for the Town and an area of the boardwalk for artists, stands or pushcarts.

O'Brien said he is requesting from the Board permission for the project that he estimated will take about one-year - six to eight months if water piles are not included.

Moved-Meschino: To approve the concept and with on-going meetings with a Selectmen, Town Manager and Town Counsel

Second-Silva

Vote: Unanimous in favor

Moved-Davy: John Silva authorized to attend the meetings on Jake's.

Second-Olivieri

Vote: Unanimous in favor

The Members spent some time discussing the attempt of a State Agency to fine the Town \$100,000 for work that was done in Hull clearing rocks from a beach, and the State's double standard, clearing tis beaches in Hull in the same way.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 pm. The Board will meet at the upcoming Town Meeting. .

February 12, 2008

Approved