

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

July 15, 2008

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:33 pm on Tuesday evening, July 15, 2008 at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts

Present: Joan Meschino, Chairman; Christopher Olivieri, Vice Chairman; Domenico Sestito, Clerk. John Reilly and Dennis Blackall; Members. Also present were: Philip Lemnios, Town Manager, and James Lampke, Town Counsel.

7:30 pm – Marcia Bohnic re: End of the Year Transfers

Marcia Bohnic, Town Accountant presented documents and spoke about the FY transfer funds and sought the board's approval.

Moved-Reilly: To approve the transfer of funds as presented.

Second-Olivieri

Vote: Unanimous in favor

7:45 pm – Beach Management Committee re: Change

Rhoda Janet and members of the Beach Management Advisory Committee appeared before the Board to discuss its mission and whether or not it has fulfilled its charge. She presented a mission statement and said that the Committee has amended the Beach Management Plan as required. Blackall said he thought there should be a liaison between the town and the beach committee and suggested one Selectmen be appointed to work with the Beach Management Advisory Committee.

Moved-Blackall: To appoint Dr. Christopher Olivieri as a liaison to the Beach Management Committee.

Second-Sestito

Vote: Unanimous in favor

8:15 pm – Ocean Club re: Entertainment License Complaint

Gregory Sullivan, Attorney representing the Ocean Club, appeared before the Board and explained that on June 1, 2008 the Ocean Club allowed an aerobics group to use the patio for an aerobics class exercising to the typical music for those classes. The purpose of the class was to raise fund for the American Cancer Society. Sullivan apologized for not being in compliance with the Entertainment License and that it was an error, and acknowledged it was wrong, that it was not thought through and would not happen again.

Sullivan said he met with the Police Chief Richard Billings, Town Counsel James Lampke and that following a discussion it was suggested that a warning would be appropriate

Following a discussion, with Blackall, and Sestito suggesting holding a Show Cause Hearing, a motion was offered by Sestito:

Moved-Sestito: To adopt the Police Chief's recommendation and issue a warning
Second-Meschino

Vote: 2 ayes; 3, nays (Meschino, Blackall and Sestito)

Reilly offered a resolution of a one-day swap of the Entertainment license on a Sunday

Moved-Reilly:

Second-Sestito

Vote: Unanimous in favor

The Board recessed at 9:16 pm and returned to open session at 9:28 pm.

8:45 pm – Jen Constable – re: Destination Community Development and Farmers Market

Jen Constable appeared before the Board requesting to establish a Farmers Market on the HRA land between Edgewater Road and Bay Street for the summer, as the first step in her group's plan to create Destination Community Development. She said that permission has been received from the HRA for this purpose. The Farmers Market will be operated on the weekends starting Friday July 1st to October 17th. Unanimously approved the request including the placement of signs, on a motion by Reilly, seconded by Olivieri:

9:15 pm Christopher Olivieri – re: DCR Update

Olivieri reported on the meeting with the DCR in regard to the seawall construction. He said he would be asking for a vote of the Board after the Members have had an opportunity to study the documents. He listed eight possibilities for preparing the seawall and/or beach, but said of the eight alternatives six were discounted as not being feasible. The two remaining were re-nourishment of the beach with off-shore sand, or move the seawall back, constructing a tow and re-nourish. Olivieri added that #4 re-nourishing the sand from off-shore seemed to be the most practical as the sand moves from north to south and the beach is a closed system. The next meeting was planned for August 5, 2008.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Unanimous approved the request of Police Chief Richard Billings to declare as surplus and sell at public auction two black & white Crown Victoria vehicles, one 2006 and one 2003, or transfer to other town departments in accordance with his memo of July 7, 2008, on a motion by Reilly, seconded by Olivieri.

2. Unanimously approved the request of the Council on Aging by trading a 1994 white Dodge Ram Van, for a new Ford van in accordance with the memo dated July 15, 2008 on a motion by Reilly, seconded by Olivieri.
3. Unanimously approved the request of the Building Commissioner to declare surplus a 2003 4-door Crown Victoria in a deteriorated condition, subject to the memo dated July 8, 2008, on a motion by Reilly, seconded by Olivieri.
4. Unanimously approved the request of Jimbo Leahy to close Third Street between Whitehead Avenue and Edgewater Road on Saturday July 26th, from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm for the annual block party, on a motion by Reilly, seconded by Olivieri.

LICENSES

Unanimously approved the renewal of a Class II Auto License, 410 Nantasket Avenue, to Fred Means, on a motion by Olivieri, seconded by Reilly.

TOWN COUNSEL

Unanimously approved the request of Town Counsel for the Board to issue a confirmatory deed for property at 36 Porrazzo Road to Gerald A. L'Etoile. Lampke said he is researching the claim that this person purchased the house from the town many years ago, but never recorded the deed. He has been paying taxes each year, and if it is confirmed he would like to have the deed already prepared, on a motion by Olivieri, seconded by Reilly.

Dennis Blackall requested a personal moment to thank all of the persons who expressed their thoughts to him during his recent serious illness. He said he was not only glad to be back in the Selectmen's room but grateful to still be here on earth.

Reilly spoke about the state agreeing to partially compensate the Town for the Police Department's care of the DCR property. Both Reilly and Lemnios thanked Representative Bradley, and Senator Hedlund.

Moved-Olivieri: To go into executive session to discuss collective bargaining and strategy on litigation and not to return to open session.

Second – Sestito

Roll Call Vote: Aye, Blackall; aye, Olivieri; aye, Meschino; aye, Sestito; aye, Reilly.

The Board moved into executive session and thereafter adjourned.

March 10, 2009
Approved