

Hull Board of Selectmen
Minutes
March 23, 2010

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:34 pm on Tuesday evening, March 23, 2010, at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

Moved-Blackall: to approve the Executive Session Minutes of March 2, 2010
as presented

Second-Sestito

Vote: Unanimous in favor

Moved-Blackall: to release the Executive Session Minutes of March 2, 2010

Second-Sestito

Vote: Unanimous in favor

7:30 pm – Veterans Council - re: Updates and Appointments

Retired Police Chief, and Chairman of the Veterans Council Donald Brooker, speaking on behalf of the other Council Members attending, presented an oral report to the Board of the many services the Council has been able to provide to the veterans such as help with Traumatic Stress Syndrome, re-adjustment assistance for military personnel coming home and other services. Brooker then spoke about a DVD that has very important information about returning veterans who have serious problems. The DVD has been used by Police Departments to educate their Officers and he hoped that our Police Chief would also utilize the DVD. He then listed accomplishments such as: temporary housing, job placement, medical services and supplies (wheelchairs, etc.)

Brooker mentioned that Town Meeting Legislation created a Box on the property tax form to accept donations which would help fund some veterans services such as snow removal, heating oil and help sponsor the Wellness Clinic.

Reilly said he wanted to thank the Police and others present for greeting his son when he returned home from Iraq.

Moved- Sestito: to reappoint Donald F/ Brooker; Rod Young. Robert Bowes, Edward Burke, Christine Chagnon; John Coggins; Paul Dunphy, and Robert Neal for a term to expire in 2012

Second-Olivieri

Vote: Unanimous in favor

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Moved – Blackall: to appoint the two new applicants as members –William Leary and Thomas White for terms to expire in 2012, on a motion by Blackall, seconded by Meschino. {Veterans Agent Michael Cunningham is an ex officio member by virtue of his office}

7:45 pm – Historical Commission –re: Appointments

Don Ritz, Chairman told the Board that the Commission has been gathering information such as acquiring digitized Hull construction maps.

Moved-Sestito: to reappoint Florence Lathrop, Lory Newmyer, Dennis Riley; Anne Snyder and Don Ritz for terms to expire in June 2012 Applicant Barbara Kalb was held as she was unable to attend this evening as scheduled

Second-Meschino

Vote: Unanimous in favor

Financial Planning Committee

Town Manager reported that he has been working with the Committee and that he expects a draft to hand out to the Committee members and then to the Board of Selectmen.

Real Estate Committee

The Real Estate Committee has a month to go to completing its study and in response to a question from Olivieri about timing, Blackall responded within two weeks.

Beach Management Committee

Rhoda Kanet, Beach Management Chairman announced that there will be a grass planting day on Saturday and the Committee needs help from volunteers. She added that there are lots of rocks, seaweed and cobble that residents will want removed.

8:00 pm - - PUBLIC HEARING – re: Hulls Kitchen, LLC dba Hulls Kitchen, Jane Wicks, Manager, 19 Hull Shore Drive-All Alcohol (seasonal) as a Restaurant-NEW

Chairman Reilly opens the hearing and swears in persons wishing to speak on the matter,

Jane Wicks, Manager suggested there are no issues, She said 50% of her business is local, from Hull, and many from Cohasset or Scituate and many of them want blended drinks, She added that they do not have a bar or bar stools and serve only at the table. Her husband Jeffrey Wicks is the cook and we need to be competitive.

Olivieri stated that they do a good job; have a good Police report and inclined to improve; Blackall asked about the type of food served and she listed items such as tacos, fried fish, mussels, salmon, salsa and Mango Salsa. She added that they serve families with young children on up. In response to a question of serving on the porch she answered that it is high off the ground making it easier to observe the customers.

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Rhoda Kanet of 179 Samoset Avenue commented from the audience that she often dines at Hulls Kitchen and that the food is excellent and she has never seen a potential problem.

Moved-Olivieri: to approve the All Alcohol Seasonal License to Hulls Kitchen, Jane Wicks, Manager 19 Hull Shore Drive

Second-Meschino

Vote: Unanimous in favor

Hearing closed at 823 pm.

8:15 pm - Hull Historic District Commission – re: Updates and Appointments

The Hull Historic District Commission consists of 5 Members and 3 Alternates Members seeking reappointment are: Florence B. Lathrop and Don Ritz for a term to expire in 2010; Robert Haberstroh for a term to expire in 2013 Anne Snyder and Richard O'Donnell, (if they are interested in reappointment) for a term to expire in 2011, and Jeanne Baravella, (if interested) for a term to expire in 2012. There would still be 2 alternate member seats vacant.

Reilly posed a question to Ritz, the Chairman of the Commission, that began with a comment by stating that the Commission was originally to be a resource to maintain the flavor of the historic village, but that he heard horror stories that have caused hardship for some of the home owners by expecting them to turn the property back to its original state, or unable to get their building permit until the Commission signs off, to which Ritz responded that the Commission's input is about as easy going as you can get compared to other communities.

Sestito commented on hearing that the commission has sometimes required all the windows be replaced, the difficulty with obtaining a building permit until the Commission signed off the application form for all other than on a case by case basis as all the houses in the village are not historic and there could be non-applicable houses.

Olivieri asked Ritz how long it typically takes to get through the process to which Ritz responded by listing the advertising and notice requirements. Olivieri suggested that the application form be amended to exclude houses in the district that are not historical.

Blackall asked Ritz to describe the boundaries of the Historic District and he responded from the cemetery, Fort Revere, (that does not include Harborview Road), Nantasket Avenue and Spring Street, Main Street to the Coast Guard Station and Hull Hill.

Olivieri suggested changes be made and Florence Lathrop, Member and Ritz answered stating that changes must be voted at Town Meeting. Olivieri suggested a more user-friendly goal.

Meschino suggested to those members present that their Commission should be a resource and have feelings for the applicant who may be constrained by budget.

The Board held making any re-appointments or new appointments, but did speak with the new applicants and recessed at 9:26 pm. and returned at 9:35 pm

Grant of Location

Unanimously approved a Grant of Location to Aquarion Water Company, Tata & Howard, Inc. for the proposed water main replacement project on Atlantic Avenue for the installation of 400 linear feet of 12-inch diameter cement lined ductile iron water main and associated valves and fittings near Stony Beach Road to replace the existing 6-inch water main. Paving and traffic control concerns have been discussed with Joseph Stigliani DPW Director and the design has been discussed with Ed Petrilak of the Hull Sewer Department. Attached is a set of plans; on a motion by Olivieri with the provision that they hold a neighborhood meeting, seconded by Sestito.

The vote followed a question and answer period where it was projected that the pipe project would take about four months depending upon the amount of ledge; paving. Flushing of hydrants is necessary and 48 hours notice by the reverse 911 code red system will be given to citizens and listed on the Web site; Reilly said they need to include in the project crosswalk striping at the playground site; Lemnios suggested a 6 week schedule to allow time for slippage; mitigation was listed as daily cleanup with street sweeper, paving the full width will allow on-site parking and will overlay sidewalks.

CORRESPONDENCE

1 Reilly read a Proclamation from the Stop Dating Violence .Org that requested the support of the Board of Selectmen proclaiming the month of April 2010 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month that was unanimously approved by the Board on a motion by Olivieri, seconded by Blackall.

2 Reilly read a letter from the Whitman Library stating that it has reaffirmed its position not to allow citizens in communities with decertified libraries to use their facilities.

Town Meeting Warrant

Unanimously approved the warrant for the upcoming Town Meeting on a motion by Blackall, seconded by Sestito.

Town Counsel

Lampke raised a question in regard to a person who wishes to operate Pedi Cabs in the DCR area, and Reilly suggested that a Hackney License might be appropriate. Also the Police Chief is seeking information on the route and advice of the Selectmen. The Pedi Cabs hold two to three persons, The questions to be answered is what is suitable or not suitable.

Unanimously approved the request of Town Counsel on the Purchaser's request to extend the deadline for the purchase of 301 Nantasket Avenue, on a motion by Meschino, second by Blackall.

LICENSES

- 1 Unanimously approved the renewal of the Common Victualer License and All Alcohol (Seasonal) as a Restaurant License to Bayside Marketing Systems, Inc. dba Nantasket
- 2 Lobster Pound, James E. O'Brien, Manager, 50 George Washington Boulevard, on a motion by Blackall, seconded by Meschino.
- 3 Unanimously approved the renewal of a Common Victualer, All Alcohol (Seasonal) License to Sunset Bay Marina, LLC, Robert Folsom, Manager, 2 A Street. on a motion by Blackall, seconded by Meschino.
- 4 Unanimously approved the renewal of an All Alcohol (Seasonal) as a Club: License to the Nantasket Beach Salt Water Club, Inc. William Joubert, Manager, Fitzpatrick Way on a motion by Blackall, seconded by Meschino.
- 5 Unanimously approved the renewal of an All Alcohol n(Seasonal) License as a Club to the Hull Yacht Club, Inc. Lori Murphy, Manager, Fitzpatrick Way on a motion by Blackall, seconded by Meschino

OTHER BUSINESS

Members discussed back and forth the need to increase inspectional fees by charging for re-inspections when the agents have to return for repeat inspections following a failed inspection; forming a Parking Committee to attempt to resolve the town's parking problems; meeting with the DCR to determine what uses would be allowed in the DCR area if the town is successful in gaining access to some of the property; that the Governments new Health Care Bill will affect the state budget; and to think about forming an industrial committee to look at the Desal Study and off-shore power equipment.

The Board adjourned at 11:45 pm.

April 16, 2010

Approved