

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

September 20, 2011

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday evening, September 20, 2011, at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts.

Present: John Reilly, Chairman; Christopher Olivieri, Vice Chairman; Kevin Richardson, Clerk; John Brannan and Domenico Sestito, Members. Also present were: Philip Lemnios, Town Manager and James Lampke, Town Counsel.

7:30 pm - DCR Commissioner Edward Lambert, Jr.

Present for the discussion were Mr. Lambert, Jeff Richelow from Representative Bradley's Office, Carl Pastore, Regional Director for the DCR, Major Arthur Thomas, Troop D Commanding Officer and Lt. James Marquez, Station Commander SB Norwell. Jeff Richelow expressed how sorry Bradley was that he could not be in attendance and spoke about Mr. Lambert's experience.

Reilly spoke about the current relationship with the DCR and how summer in Hull starts on Memorial Day and for the first time the DCR had the bathhouses open. Renovations at the Mary Jeannette Murray Bathhouse, Bernie King Pavilion and the 3 comfort stations were done this year. The discussion continued about the "Trust Fund" what is left and what was expended. Lemnios mentioned the "Land Swap" at Ft. Revere that has been going on over ten years.

The first item on the list for discussion was EMS details at the Bernie King Pavilion and the Trust Fund paying for it and how having EMS there cuts down on the runs from the Hull Fire and Police Stations. Mr. Lambert said they will continue having EMS at the Pavilion as it is working. Upcoming maintenance from the DCR will be repaving the Beach parking lot, possible addition of security cameras and replacing the roof at the MJM Bathhouse. Mr. Lambert told the Board that the Land Swap will need another go at it with the legislature and it needs the language updated and to add any changes. Lemnios commented that the Town doesn't reap any benefits as the DCR doesn't pay property taxes or a PILOT. Lemnios brought up that there is more truck traffic going to Pemberton Point and how it conflicts with the school bus schedules.

Sestito asked the Commissioner about the work being done at Peddocks Island and was told that Phase 1 was completed 5 years ago (Stub out utilities), Phase II is ongoing to stabilize and demolish structures on the Island and future work is The Guard House, Camping facilities.

Senator Hedlund was recognized by the Chairman and he welcomed the Commissioner to Hull. Speaking about Peddocks Island project he hopes they can save some of the buildings, and told the Board that the MBTA is looking to eliminate weekend service on certain lines.

Olivieri spoke about the exodus of people when the tide gets high because they have nowhere to go and this is a major traffic concern (leaving Town). Brannan mentioned that 90% of beach goers do not leave a dime in this Town. Reilly mentioned that the Town was excited about the Harbor Islands project, and the need for the water shuttle to come to Nantasket Pier as this is the missing link and should be a priority. The Graffiti at Ft. Revere was discussed, the Commissioner told the Board that he has succeeded in getting it listed as a potential for a Historic Curator (they will live on site). Parking on Hull Shore Drive is free and this could make money for the Town and DCR if one paid to park.

Major Thomas spoke about the added State Police presence during peak hours with more motorcycle units in town and that no major incidents have occurred. Questions were taken from the audience; a few of the areas discussed were allowing business across from the beach to use sidewalks (serve food, alcohol, etc., traffic at Anastos Corner, the seawall and keeping it maintained, when bad weather is approaching the closing of the DCR parking lot, as this means no parking for the restaurants and businesses adjacent to the parking lot.

A 5 minute recess was taken.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter from Girl Scout Jessy Walters requesting permission to put up an announcement board to honor deceased residents. This project will help her to get The Girl Scouts Gold Award. Reilly told that Board that her letter was forwarded to the War Memorial Commission but would like to make a motion to allow her to put it at Town Hall if needed.

Moved - Sestito To approve placing the board at Town Hall
Second - Brannan
Vote: Unanimous in favor

Various Members spoke about Endless Summer and what a great job Kevin Morris did.

After an audience member asked about the Massworks grant application and Lemnios confirmed that it has been submitted to the Department of Transportation. Discussion continued regarding Anastos Corner and Hull Shore Drive traffic and Atlantic Avenue updates.

The Chairman asked the Town Manager to discuss the recent incident at Accord Pond that affected Aquarion Water Company. Lemnios explained the Emergency Response System then spoke about numerous water main breaks in Hull.

Moved - Sestito To adjourn
Second - Brannan
Vote - Unanimous in favor

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