Hull Board of Selectmen Minutes April 5, 2011

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 pm on Tuesday evening, April 5, 2011, at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts.

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

Appointments

7:33 pm: Public Hearing: Steven B. Shuman, 119 Touraine Avenue re: Request to store two unregistered vehicles

Sestito swore in Shuman and David Grossack, Esq., his attorney.

Grosack explained that Shuman has two older vehicles that hold sentimental value as they are family cars. They are in the back of the house, not visible to the street or neighbors and Shuman and his brother intend to put a tarp over each vehicle. They are on asphalt, not grass and the intent is to keep them indefinitely. In the long term, Shuman would like to restore the vehicles. There was a brief discussion primarily focusing on the definition of 'junk' cars and if the vehicles fall into that category and if Shuman should be applying under the Junk Bylaw or the Restrictions of Storage. Following the suggestion from Lampke for the Board to defer to the Police department, Sestito continued the hearing to April 26th allowing time for the Board to receive further information from the Police and have Shuman bring in pictures.

Moved - Reilly Approve the license subject to Sec 5 Article 25

Second - Olivieri

Reilly withdrew his motion. The Board is going to suspend the hearing to a later date allowing it to get any additional information from the Police Department.

Moved - Blackall To approve the sending out of an additional hearing notice to

abutters of the Shuman property

Second - Brannan Roll Call Vote - Brannan, Aye; Blackall, Eye; Olivieri, Nay;

Reilly, Nay

8:11 pm: The hearing was closed

Old Business

8:48 pm:

1. Parking Study: At this time Amy Lemkin moved to open the Parking Study Committee meeting. Brannan presented for the Parking Study Committee. Scenario #1: do nothing leave the fees the same; Scenario #2: restricted sticker \$11.50, visitor \$11.50; Cassvoy explained the tickets need to be \$14 across the board in order for the program to work, there is no need to continue talking about Scenario 1-3. The idea of uniform pricing for stickers spawned further discussion about not presenting a full program at Town Meeting, but the need to do it in steps. Concern about stopping the increasing parking issues now in hopes to prevent increased

problems, especially where there may not currently be any issues. Members of the audience spoke out about the fact that not everyone will actually end up paying, some might not purchase stickers, and some may purchase multiple stickers, it's not equitable. Further concern was voiced about how revenue from the parking stickers will be allocated, and that enforcement can't be the only area. Signage and painting need to be considered equally. Lemnios explained that if there are fees for both the restricted parking and municipal then funds could be applied to both, but you can't use funds in areas where people aren't paying. Blackall asked Lemnios if there are funds being spent right now in areas that aren't restricted. Lemnios said yes. Reilly asked if the Board votes to adapt a \$14 fee, but at town meeting it is rejected and then the funds go into the general fund - would the parking study committee support that. Parking Study Committee member Moe Fishel said no. Reilly suggested that they wait until after town meeting. Reilly asked Lemnios if a revolving fund is set up and in effect June 1st, when would the funds become available. Lemnios said that by July 1 they should be available to spend. Lemnios stated the reality of the situation is that the current pricing structure financially is not sufficient.

9:25 pm: a 2 minute break was called. Sestito had to leave and turned meeting over to Blackall 9:31 pm: meeting was brought to order by Blackall

Brannan explained that the committee is looking for a vote of support for whichever scenario or not. Olivieri asked for clarification of the town wide parking plan. Fishel explained that it would be town wide and residents would be able to park anywhere and that includes meters. What the sticker is doing is giving more freedom to town residents to park. Olivieri asked how many public forums were there. Fishel said that those who live in restricted areas did come to the first two meetings and were pleased with the discussion. Sweic explained that in year 2 or 3 the day trippers will begin to pay to park. Sandra Smith stated that she is in favor of the parking program. She thinks doing a pilot for a year and see how it works. Fishel said that the revenue that could be generated for the town could be incredible. Rhoda Kanet believes that the costs for signage and enforcement should be paid for by everyone in the Town, not just those who live in those areas. She objects to the increased fee. Olivieri would like Sestito to weigh in and wait on an official vote until the next meeting.

Move - Brannan To approve Scenario #4 as it is written

Second - Blackall

Brannan tabled motion until next meeting April 12, 2011.

Olivieri asked why the vote has to happen tonight and not wait a week and do the vote at the first part of the meeting next week. Blackall asked Lampke if it's 2-2 what happens. Lampke explained it is a failed action.

Move - Olivieri To extend meeting to 10:10pm Second - Reilly Vote - Passed unanimous

Correspondence

8:11 pm:

1. Richard Mattila re: Request for appointment to the Sewer Commission; Sestito read the application of Mattila. Sestito explained that there will need to be an advertisement for the Commission and then the applicants will be brought in for interviewing. Lemnios believed it

was Steve Bellingham's position and that he recently moved to Hingham.

Licenses

1. Sunset Bay Marina, LLC, 2 A Street, Robert Folsom, Manager, (A) Common Victualer (B) All Alcohol (Seasonal) as a Restaurant (C) Entertainment (Live, DJ & Karaoke) - Renewal

Moved - Olivieri To approve license as presented this evening. Second - Reilly Olivieri withdrew his motion.

Reilly confirmed there was no change from last year's license. Blackall said there seems to be some question as to whether the applicant has completed some items set forth by the site plan review. Lampke explained that if you are rejecting the renewal you need to have a hearing to see whether the application should be rejected for reasons a, b, or c. If you don't reject or approve it, after 30 days it is automatically renewed by operational law. A meeting with the Planning Board has been scheduled to work out what the issues are. Planning Board member Wood explained that most of the Planning Board's time is spent on site plan review and if people aren't complying how can they go about getting help from the board to get them to comply. Brannan recommends that Folsom meet with the Planning Board and resolve the steps that have not been completed. Olivieri explains that there aren't legal grounds to reject the application without formal information of what violations are pending before the Planning Board. Lampke said they could have the applicant and the Panning Board come in next week and address some of these issues. After further discussion regarding the outstanding issues, along with issues brought up by audience member, (Gregory Cove spoke about the storing of floaters on Bay Ave East) it was decided to postpone this license request until next week, April 12th. It was requested that the applicant's file be at the next meeting so they can fully review the issues, as well as having both the applicant and the Planning Board present.

New Business

Lemnios announced a hearing notice for the Atlantic Ave. water main project. Monday April 11th, neighbors are welcome to come.

Reilly suggested the Police Department go ahead and order parking stickers.

Miscellaneous

Kanet reminded everyone about the Beach Grass planting Saturday April 8, 2011 at 9am.

Moved - Olivieri To adjourn meeting at 10:15 pm Second - Brannan Vote - Passed unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm

April 3, 2012
Approved