

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

September 18, 2012

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday evening, September 18, 2012 at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts.

Present: John D. Reilly, Jr., Chairman, Domenico Sestito, Vice-Chair, Kevin Richardson, Clerk, and John C. Brannan, Members. Also present were: Philip E. Lemnios, Town Manager, James Lampke, Town Counsel and Karen Morgan, Recording Secretary.

Absent was Dr. Christopher Olivier, member.

The Chairman held a moment of silence on the passing of Tommey L. Reede on September 9, 2012 and James M. Gillis on September 6, 2012.

Reilly wished the Jewish community a happy and prosperous Rosh Hashanah.

APPOINTMENTS

8:00 p.m. – Garden Club – re: Showboat Proposal

Judy Dorner of the Hull Garden Club would like to develop a Community Garden (CG) for the use and benefit of the community. They proposed the use of the land on GW Blvd known as the “Showboat Site.” This would transform an empty piece of land at the entrance of Hull into something beautiful and practical for the entire community. The CG is a piece of land gardened by a group of people to provide food for families, form friendships and create social and educational benefits. The BOS embraced the concept and encouraged the Garden Club to move forward on it. Lampke will make himself available for legal issues, insurance, etc.

Motion - Richardson: To approve the CG proposal from the Garden Club.

Second - Sestito

Discussion: Brannan To have a neighborhood gathering to discuss the CG beforehand.

Vote - Unanimous in favor

Discussion: Lemnios To arrange a time for a meeting to discuss this proposal and keep the BOS apprised. Lampke, Lemnios and Dorner will work on the legal/insurance issues associated with this proposal. It was suggested that the Club check with the Building Department relative to zoning and permitting issues and check with Conservation as to any issues as well.

Judith VanHamm would like to express her support to the Hull Garden Club. Also, she announced that on October 6, 2012, there will be a South Shore Celebration at the Marshfield Fair Grounds.

Concluded: 8:26 p.m.

8:30 p.m. – Janet Bernault – Cultural Council Reappointment

Motion - Sestito : To reappoint Bernault to the Local Cultural Council for 3 year term expiring in 2015.

Second - Richardson

Vote - Unanimous in favor

Concluded: 8:32 p.m.

8:35 p.m. – Conservation Administrator Anne Herbst – Flood Mitigation Plan

On March 29, 2011, the BOS adopted a final draft of Hull's Hazard Mitigation Plan. The plan was then sent to FEMA for final review, which has reported that it approves of the draft. The next step is for the BOS to issue formal approval now that FEMA has approved the draft. A Hazard Mitigation Plan is required in order for the town to maintain its participation in the Community Rating System (CRS) program of FEMA which provides a 10% discount on flood insurance premiums to all property owners in Hull. A current plan is also required for eligibility for FEMA's hazard mitigation grants.

Motion - Sestito: To approve the Town of Hull Hazard Mitigation Plan 2012 Update.

Second - Brannan

Vote - Unanimous in favor

Motion - Sestito: To approve the Annual Update to the Town of Hull Hazard Mitigation Plan 2012.

Second - Richardson

Vote - Unanimous in favor

Concluded: 8:40 p.m.

At this point, there was a five-minute recess.

CORRESPONDENCE

Read aloud by Sestito correspondence from the Police Chief – Appointment of Special Police Officers.

In a memorandum dated September 12, 2012 to the BOS, Chief Billings requested the following named applicants be appointed as Special Police Officers without pay. These appointments would expire on December 31, 2012 or sooner: Barbara Dewolfe (1st year as a Seasonal Officer), Brendan Emberg (1st year as a Seasonal Officer), Edward Minelli (1st year as a Seasonal Officer), Gregory Nelson (1st year as a Seasonal Officer), Pietro Treviso (1st year as a Seasonal Officer) and Michael Bearce (2nd year as a Seasonal Officer).

Motion - Richardson: To approve the appointment of the Special Police Officers as stated.

Second - Brannan

Vote - Unanimous in favor

Reilly addressed correspondence from the Police Chief regarding Deployment of Security Personnel.

Reilly stated that this item may be appropriate for Executive Session to discuss and to come back into open session. Lemnios stated that the Chief wanted this item discussed during Executive Session because it related to deployment of security personnel and he did not want to discuss publically the issues regarding the deployment of the police officers in public.

Motion - Richardson: To approve the request for a list from the state Human Resources Division and authorize the Chair to sign.

Second - Sestito

Vote - Unanimous in favor

Read aloud by Sestito correspondence from Chris Hebert – re: Triathlon scheduled for September 23, 2012.

In an email dated September 17, 2012 to the BOS, Hebert requested permission for a town permit for this upcoming event. The race starts at 9:30 and expected to be over at 12:30 p.m. This event has been running for 7 years and there will be motorcycle police detail to lead the race. A link of the map for further details is: www.maps.onemillionrevolutions.org

Motion - Richardson: To approve town permit for Triathlon.

Second - Sestito

Vote - Unanimous in favor

LICENSES

*Unanimously approved the license for the Knights of Columbus, 440 Nantasket Avenue – re: One Day All Alcohol for September 22, 2012 from 6 p.m. – 11 p.m. on a Motion made by **Sestito**, seconded by **Richardson**.*

APPOINTMENT CONTINUED

8:50 p.m. – Aquarion Water – Order for Water Main Location

In a September 11, 2012 letter to the BOS, John P. Walsh, Director of Capital Planning requested the BOS consent to the location of the proposed water main replacement project on Edgewater Road. The project consists of the installation of 360 linear feet of new 8-inch diameter cement lined ductile iron water main and associated valves and fittings. This will replace the existing 6-inch diameter water main. Aquarion Water would like to start the week of October 1st with the installation of the water main to

Anne Murray, 1 Summit Ave., Hull, MA stated that she has come to the BOS several times in the past when the discussion centered around Atlantic Avenue. She expressed concern about waiting for projects that were scheduled to be completed by a specific date but were not completed. She urged the BOS to insist on a obtaining a Performance Bond. She also did not want the same contractor that was assigned with the last project to be requested again.

Also in attendance were Ronit Goldstein, Community Relations Manager and Joseph Stigliani, DPW Director.

Motion - Sestito: To approve the central location of the proposed water main break on Edgewater Road described in the 9/11/12 petition with the following stipulations: The approval and satisfaction of the Highway superintendent and Director of Public Works. There will be a Performance Bond from the contractor for the full amount of the project so that all the work, but final paving will be performed and completed by 11/1/12 and final paving by 5/15/13. A bond from Aquarion Water to the Town of Hull to be determined by the Town Manager.

Second - Richardson

Vote - Unanimous in favor

Reilly asked that the Aquarion representatives make an appointment to meet with the Board in six weeks.

Concluded: 9:52 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Richardson announced that on Oct. 1st the Hull Scholarship Golf Tournament will take place at the Hatherly Golf Club in Scituate.

Brannan presented to the BOS charts/spreadsheets regarding the up-to-date records and appointments for various committees that are delinquent . This is a goal for the BOS to re-appoint those members of the committees and boards whose terms have expired within the next thirty days. Brannan also presented a suggested draft letter for Janet Bennett to utilize to go out to people that need to be re-appointed.

Reilly would like to thank Mary Jane Silva and Nancy Allen for organizing the 9/11 observance. He also thanked Congressmen Lynch for his continuing efforts in representing the Town of Hull and being at the Town's Endless Summer celebration.

Motion - Richardson makes a motion to go into executive session: To discuss strategy with respect to litigation, that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body, to comply with, or act under the authority of the Attorney-Client privilege, to consult with legal counsel and obtain legal advice pursuant to the Attorney-Client privilege. We will not be reconvening into open session.

Reilly, as chair, declared that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body.

Second – Sestito

Roll Call Vote: Aye, Reilly, Aye, Richardson, Aye, Brannan, Aye, Sestito.

Reilly announced that the next Selectmen meeting will take place on October 2, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

The Board moved into executive session at 10:02 p.m. and thereafter adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Karen Morgan

Karen Morgan, Recording Secretary

Approved: October 2, 2012
