

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

December 4, 2012

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, December 4, 2012 at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts.

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

Absent: Dr. Christopher Olivieri, Member.

The Board held a moment of silence in memory of Paul Sheehan, who was the teacher for the Hull School system for over 30 years.

APPOINTMENTS

7:30 p.m. – Sheila Connor – re: First Day Walk

Connor requested the approval and support from the BOS for collaboration between the Town of Hull's Health Dept. and DCR's Nantasket Reservation to jointly host a 3 mile "First Day Walk" at noon on January 1, 2013 beginning and ending at the Mary Jeannette Murray Bath House. The Health Dept. will organize and lead the walk. The DCR will open and staff the Mary Jeannette Murray Bath House allowing a place for people to gather before and after the walk. She is also asking for the approval to use the Town seal. She explains that the Town seal will be on the website as it has to be used for the marketing promotional materials.

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| Motion - | Sestito: | To approve of use of the Town Seal for promotional purposes based on as stated by Mrs. Connor, pamphlets, websites for the First Day Walk that will be conducted at noon on January 1, 2013. |
| Second - | Brannan with discussion | Brannan questioned about the walk being a fundraiser. Connor said it was not. |
| | Lampke | Lampke asked Connor if she is asking the Town to be a co-sponsor for this event. Connor said yes. The DCR was requesting for Connor to ask permission for the Board to be a co-sponsor. |
| Vote - | Unanimous in favor | |
| Substantive Motion - | Sestito | Amended motion to have the Town of Hull to be a co-sponsor for the event. |

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| Second - | Brannan | |
| Vote - | Unanimous in favor | |

BOARD OF APPEALS APPOINTMENTS – 3 year appts.

Richardson stated that there will be no votes for these appointments this evening.

7:35 p.m. – Alana Swiec (reappointment) for a term to expire 2014

Ms. Swiec introduced herself and spoke of her experience.

- *Ms. Swiec spoke of an applicant named Jason McCann (new applicant) who was unable to attend to apply.*

7:40 p.m. – Roger Atherton (reappointment) for a term to expire 2013

Mr. Atherton introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

7:45 p.m. – Mark Einhorn (reappointment) for a term to expire 2015 - Unable to attend

7:50 p.m. – Philip R. Furman (alternate reappointment) for a term to expire 2015

Mr. Furman introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

7:55 p.m. – Mark Gladstone (new applicant) – Unable to attend

8:00 p.m. – Patrick Finn (new applicant)

Mr. Finn introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

There are vacancies for two alternates, one to expire in 2013 and one in 2014.

CABLE TV COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS – 5 year appts.

8:05 p.m. – Naomi Johnson (reappointment) for a term to expire 2017 – Unable to attend.

8:10 p.m. – Gregory Bennett (new applicant) – (Vacancy to expire 2017)

Mr. Bennett introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS – 3 year appts.

8:20 p.m. – Sean Bannen (reappointment) to expire in 2015

Mr. Bannen introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

8:25 p.m. – Max Horn (reappointment) to expire in 2014

Mr. Horn introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

8:30 p.m. – Paul Paquin (reappointment) to expire in 2014

Mr. Paquin introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

8:35 p.m. – Abby Yenco Piersall – Called 12/4 to withdraw – Appointed Con Com agent in Hingham

John Meschino (reappointment) to expire in 2015 – Unable to attend, out of town

CORRESPONDENCE

Read aloud by Sestito correspondence from Town Clerk – re: Resignation from Advisory Board of Joan Senatore as a member of the Advisory Board effective November 19, 2012.

Read aloud by Sestito correspondence from Town Clerk – re: Resignation for Zoning Board of Appeals of Jack Baringer as an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals, effective December 1, 2012.

Read aloud by Sestito correspondence from Jason McCann – re: Interest in Zoning Board of Appeals.

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| Motion - | Reilly: | To accept the resignation of Joan Senatore and Jack Baringer with regret and to send each of them a letter thanking them for their services to the Town. In addition, to wish Mr. Baringer the best of luck with his move. |
| Second - | Sestito | |
| Vote - | Unanimous in favor | |

TOWN MANAGER

Lemnios said the Governor announced a mid-year state budget reduction. Amongst those reductions would be reductions to local aid. The specific impact to each city and town has not yet been identified but in general we are talking about a reduction to the un-restrictive portion of state aid in the amount of 1%, statewide. Until we get the list from the Governor's office on the breakdown on how to fix each city and town, we do not know how it will affect Hull. Needless to say, it is going to be less money.

FORT REVERE RESTORATION COMMITTEE

8:45 p.m. – Frank Kerr

Mr. Kerr introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

AT THIS POINT, THERE IS A FIVE-MINUTE RECESS

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| Motion - | Reilly: | To have a five-minute recess. |
| Second - | Sestito | |
| Vote - | Unanimous in favor | |

**Richardson stated that there does not need to be a motion on the five-minute recess.*

FORT REVERE RESTORATION COMMITTEE CONT.

8:50 p.m. – Gary Bloch – Late arrival due to prior meeting

Mr. Bloch introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

8:55 p.m. – Joyce McFadden – Unable to attend

***Marianne Galvin not available until March 2013**

CORRESPONDENCE

Read aloud by Sestito correspondence from Town Counsel – re: Petition Aquarion Water Company, Inc. to adjust treatment plant surcharge. Sestito referred to Lampke to summarize.

Lampke spoke about the Petition with the Aquarion Water Company for approval to adjust the surcharge. They are proposing to adjust to reduce the treatment plant surcharge. They need the approval the DPU to make those changes for their rate structure. ..The process is that they file the petition, the DPU schedules a hearing and notices are given to the affected parties. There should also be some notice via the newspaper, e.g. The Patriot Ledger. We received this notice, and the Town has the right to file a petition to intervene in the matter. This means it would give the Town a higher level of involvement in the process in which the DPU will be reviewing this proposed surcharge adjustment. Hingham already proposed a petition to intervene.

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| Motion - | Reilly: | To direct counsel to intervene with the rate case. |
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| Second - | Sestito | |
| Vote - | Unanimous in favor | |

Reilly wished everyone a Happy Hanukkah.

Reilly stated that the next Selectmen's meeting will be held December 11, 2012. Also there might be a tentative meeting on December 27, 2012.

At this point the Board makes a Motion to Executive Session

Motion: Richardson requested a Motion to move to Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation that I, as Chair, declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body; to comply with or act on the authority of Attorney-Client Privilege, to consult with legal counsel or obtain legal advice pursuant to the Attorney-Client Privilege and not be reconvening into open session.

Motion- Reilly, so moved

Second: Sestito

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

The following subjects will be discussed during Executive Session:

1. Cope Allen vs. Hull Case
2. Claims

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

The Selectmen moved to Executive Session at 9:10 p.m. and not reconvening into open session.

Recorded by Karen Morgan

Approved by
