

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

January 31, 2012

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, January 31, 2012 at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts.

Present: John D. Reilly, Jr., Chairman, Christopher Olivier, Vice-Chair, Kevin Richardson, Clerk, Domenico Sestito, Member. Also present were: Philip E. Lemnios, Town Manager and James Lampke, Town Counsel.

Absent: John C. Brannan, Member

New Business – Veteran’s Monument Article

Reilly spoke about the need for an article for bonding to update Veteran’s Memorial Monument. The Memorial has outgrown available space for names of Hull veterans on the south side and the Town needs to expand to the north side. A lot of veteran’s in town never got their name up onto the monument. He had prices presented to him ranging from \$30 to \$50K that will cost to complete that side. Richardson says this is a good idea and he will second it. Reilly said that he talked to John Coggins who is working with the Veteran’s Agent to get an updated list. Reilly said he knows of one individual who was left off in the Korean era.

Moved- Reilly- To present an article at Town Meeting for funding the updating of the monument.

Seconded- Richardson

Vote: Unanimous in favor

Meal and Hotel Tax-

Reilly initiated a discussion in regards to the Meal and Hotel Tax. He said that Lemnios brought up some of the ways it could be used to fund some capital plans. According to DOR, it could bring in \$180,000 a year to the town. Town Meeting would have to authorize it. The Board also discussed the idea of a possible matching of funds with the Chamber of Commerce to enhance the imager of the Town. Richardson said it is important that we put it out there before the people as the state often asks if the Town took advantage of that source.

Moved- Reilly: The Board of Selectmen present to Town Meeting an article on to adopt the additional meal and hotel tax.

Second- Sestito

Vote- Unanimous in favor

Planning Needs Assessment Committee.

Reilly suggested that the Town needs to have a Planning and Needs Assessment Committee or some similar name. He suggests the composition be made up of two members from the Board of Selectmen, two members from the Advisory Board, the Town Manager, Superintendent of Schools and five members at large. It would do a needs assessment of the buildings in town and what the needs are. Sestito said that it worked well with the school committee and it will work well elsewhere.

Moved- Reilly To establish a capital plan/needs assessment committee. Requests that Town Clerk advertise for five members of the public at large. Two members from the BOS committee, members from the Advisory Board, the Town Manager, the Superintendent of Schools, five members of the public at large with the Town Planner and Town Counsel as support staff.

Second- Sestito

Vote- Unanimous in favor

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Approved April 3, 2012