

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

January 29, 2013

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, January 29, 2013 at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts.

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

The Chairman thanked the heads of the Advisory Board and Fire Department Board for being present for this meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Read aloud by Reilly correspondence from Kurt Bornheim, Harbormaster – re: Surplus Property

In a letter dated January 16, 2013 from Bornheim to Lemnios, he stated that the Harbormaster Department is requesting that the following equipment be declared as surplus, establish minimum bid price and authorize the sale by auction, with the proceeds to be deposited in the Harbormaster Department Enterprise Fund.

1. 2008 300 HP V8 Mercruiser engine; Serial No. 1A083874, Hours – 1,460, Minimum bid - \$2,000

Motion - Olivieri: To approve surplus property - 2008 300 HP V8 Mercruiser engine; Serial No. 1A083874, Hours – 1,460, Minimum bid - \$2,000.

Second - Richardson

Vote - Unanimous in favor

Read aloud by Reilly correspondence from Joyce Sullivan, Health Director – re: Surplus Property

In a letter dated December January 16, 2013 from Sullivan to Lemnios that there is an autoclave in her office that is no longer being used. Most equipment is disposable but dentists, surgical offices and a tattoo artist still use autoclave/sterilizers.

Lemnios stated that they found two different prices, one on Ebay for \$751.00 and another for \$400.00.

Motion - Olivieri: To approve surplus property for \$400.00 bid.
Second - Richardson
Vote - Unanimous in favor

LICENSES RENEWAL

*Unanimously approved the license for 165 Nantasket Realty Trust dba Sandpiper Inn, Michael B. Glass, Mgr., 165 Nantasket Avenue – Lodging House on a Motion made by **Olivieri**, seconded by **Sestito**.*

Peter Booras dba West Corner Auto, 52 Nantasket Avenue – Class II Wholesale Auto – WILL BE ADDRESSED AT A LATER DATE AT THE REQUEST OF TOWN COUNSEL.

APPOINTMENTS

7:55 p.m. – FY14 Budget Presentation

Lemnios presented to the Board the FY14 Budget Presentation. The following was addressed:

Revenue Components – Property Tax, State Aid, Estimated Receipts, Free Cash, PILOTS, and Enterprise Funds

Property Taxes – Increase by the statutory limits set by Proposition 2 ½ - \$720,684 including the debt exclusion for the High School. New Growth is estimated at \$130,000 for FY14 as compared to FY13's actual \$117,969.

The Projected Tax Levy History for fiscal years 2002 through 2014 is as follows:

2002 – Base Levy (14,890,661); 2 ½ Statutory Increase (372,267); New Growth (569,904); Debt Exclusion (0); Total Levy (15,832,832)

2014 - Base Levy (24,046,365); 2 ½ Statutory Increase (601,159); New Growth (130,000); Debt Exclusion (486,563); Total Levy (25,264,087)

State Aid – State Aid is level funded at \$5.86 million dollars

2002 – Receipts (7,695,584); Assessments (311,839); Net (7,383,745); Dollar Change (127,047); Percentage (1.8%)

2014 – Receipts (5,875,638); Assessments (614,660); Net (5,260,978); Dollar Change (291,939); Percentage (5.9%)

Estimated Receipts – Estimated Receipts are calculated to be \$3.15 million dollars, a 15% increase over FY14's estimate and consistent with FY12's experience.

Available Funds (Free Cash) – Free cash certified annually, Used to support budget, Free Cash usage for FY14 is \$1,246,369 dollars. This represents a \$396,369 increase over FY13.

Certified Free Cash History – Fiscal Years 1990 through 2012

Fiscal Year 1990 – Certified (467,424); Dollar Change (265,058); Percentage Change (56.71%)

Fiscal Year 2012 – Certified (1,348,250); Dollar Change (496,048); Percentage Change (45.43%)

Expenditure Components – Operational Budgets, Insurances/Pensions, Debt, Capital, Enterprise Funds, Intergovernmental Charges, Overlay/Snow

Operational Budgets – The FY14 Operating Budget is \$23,052,404 a 3.7 % increase over FY13. General Government Budgets = \$9,480,760 or 41.13%. The School Dept. Budget = \$13,571,644. All budgets designed to maintain current level of operations.

Insurance & Pensions – The employee health insurance portion of the budget increases by \$312,429 dollars an 8% increase. Pension costs increase 3.4% from \$3.2 million dollars to \$3.3 million dollars. This reflects the extent of our obligation in this area as required by state law.

Debt and Capital - Debt costs increase by \$88,165 over FY13 costs; a 4.5% change. The FY14 budget has \$264,000 allocated for capital spending. Funds for seawall repairs, replacement for 2 police cruisers, funds to update War Memorial and IT equipment replacement for Town Hall and School Department.

FY14 Budgets Take-Aways: The overall budget increases by 4.17%, operational budgets increase by 3.69%, budget will maintain our current efforts, conservative approach with a stable environment.

Reilly stated that the Board will meet in February to support or not support the items addressed.

John Schmid, Chair of the Advisory Board announced that the Board to be called to order.

Schmid announced that the Advisory Board will be meeting on February 4, 2013 to discuss a sponsored article about the Warrant and for others to reach out to the Advisory Board to describe and ask questions to the Board. Also the Board will be reviewing the budget and making further recommendations.

Reilly stated that the Board will meet in February to support or not support the items addressed from the budget.

8:45 P.M. AT THIS POINT THERE IS A FIVE-MINUTE RECESS

NEW BUSINESS

Lemnios stated that the Board will be receiving a packet from the Police Dept. on appointments for permanent intermittent offices.

Sestito wanted to remind the liquor licensed businesses about the winter closing policy. They should contact Janet Bennett with any questions regarding that matter. Also, he said that the Hull Hero Awards nomination form still needs to be updated on the website and will therefore be updated in the next couple of weeks.

Richardson stated that the Nantasket Soup and Chowder Festival will take place on February 2, 2013 from noon -3:00 p.m. Also the Drowned Hog Swim will be taken place at the Murray Bath House.

Brannan stated that on January 30th at the exhibition room in the high school there will be a meeting for the new zoning overlay program. The parking committee met last night and continues to meet regularly. One of the people there is trying to make the registration process quick and easier for everyone. The Fort Revere Committee has met twice and will be meeting again in a week and a ½.

Reilly stated that the next Selectmen's meeting will be held on February 12, 2013.

At this point the Board makes a Motion to Adjourn

Motion: Reilly requested a Motion to Adjourn. There will be no Executive Session.

Motion- Olivieri, so moved

Second: Sestito

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

The Selectmen adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Recorded by Karen Morgan

Approved by

MARCH 5, 2013