

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

February 26, 2013

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, February 26, 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 Board held a moment of silence in memory of the passing of John Brannan's mother Catherine and in memory of Bhoopual Sham, a retired Hull teacher.

Brannan thanked everyone who has been kind to him during this difficult time.

APPOINTMENTS

7:30 p.m. – Parking Committee

Robert DeCoste, Chairman of the Parking Committee, along with Sgt. Forzese who was present during the meeting, spoke of developments that occurred since the last meeting. He met with the Pay Station representatives and a group called Park Mobile to discuss their system. The system involves license plate recognition and stickers done electronically. They are trying to come up with the best way to automate and make it easier and user friendly for the residents to get stickers. Eventually this may eliminate the need of people to leave their homes to go to Town Hall for these items and have this done on-line with a yearly renewal. The Committee is going to come up with a plan to recommend to the Board. Also, the Committee has been working with Planning Director Robert Fultz on the Nantasket Ave. project. They are going over different options for the meter aspects along that stretch of road. Mr. Fultz is going to work with the meter towards the tail-end of the project, which will give the Parking Committee time to incorporate other items to be done for the Town. One other item the Committee is working on is the elimination of meters as they are not cost effective.

Milford Street Discussion

DeCoste spoke of the Board's recommendation back to December that Milford Street become resident restrictive. The Committee looked at Hull Bylaw Chapter 155 Section 20. There were a lot of meetings regarding this subject with all the residents. It was suggested by the Board to have a sign on everyone's house and the residents have not had it yet. He said the Committee felt along with the Chief's recommendation to vote on residential restrictive parking.

Dawn M. Curran, 19 Milford Street said that she came to the Parking Committee a year ago because of issues on the street. People who were going to the Sea Dog which does not have any off-street parking and the condos across the street with the people visiting them and the workers, all park in front of their house. She is working with the people at the condos to settle this issue and is hoping the Town can help

them out. She feels that restrictive parking is what she needs. Since there is no signage on the streets, she feels the police's hands were tied and did not know what to do. Restrictive parking will give them the authority to issue tickets.

Reilly said that at the last meeting that they were inclined to make that street restrictive parking for a one-year trial basis. A couple of members of the Board had further questions at that time.

Sestito addressed Curran about working with the condos across the street. Curran said that she tried working with the condo residents and every time she goes over there, they saw that if there were visitors or workers of the condos parking in front of her house, the residents of the condos say that it is a public place and no one can tell them where they or their guests can park. She did not make any headway. She said that when she spoke to someone about moving their cars, they would. But when she addressed the people living in the condos, no one wanted to talk to them. Everyone in the condos have their own spot and an additional spot in the carport for guests and another space under the building. In the special permit granted for the construction, there is strictly on-site parking at the condos and should be telling their guests to park on their property, not elsewhere.

Brannan expressed concern about the one year trial period for no charge. He has concerns about the long term impacts. Lemnios stated that the concept behind this is a way to see how this works.

DeCoste said that 12 out of the 13 residents expressed interest in the restrictive parking. Once a letter was sent to every resident, there were 3 or 4 people that showed up at the meeting. One of the issues that the Committee had last year was the issue of having the residents paying a fee.

Motion -	Brannan:	To make Milford Road a resident-only parking area requiring a parking sticker for a one-year trial basis effective July 1 st .
Second -	Richardson w/Discussion	Like to agree with Olivieri and charge a fee in that area to be consistent.
Comment -	Reilly	The motion was without waiving the fee. This will be effective July 1, 2013.
Vote -	Unanimous in favor	

The Parking Study Committee will have a follow-up meeting in September/October 2013.

Bay Street Discussion

DeCoste spoke of adding Bay Street to the restrictive parking last year. At the last meeting, he prepared a document explaining everything. The Board recommended to keep Sagamore Terrace, Eastern Ave., Hillside Ave., Porrazzo Road and also recommended to just have Bay Street restricted all the way up to Fairmount and keep the western part of Fairmount unrestricted. It makes a lot of sense for enforcement. The Board was unanimous about removing Marginal, Moreland.

Brannan stated that the streets to be removed are: Marginal, Moreland, Hillside west of Fairmount, Sagamore Terrace west of Porrazzo, Merrill, Highland Way, Fairmount Way, not the hill, Bay Street

around the hill with the exception of Eastern that goes up to dead ends and half of Hillside as well as Porrazzo.

Brannan said that we held a meeting at the end of the season of a quick analysis of what we do. There are a lot of people involved up on the hill who were not in favor of it and do not need it as they understand Bay Street. Part of the mission is to continue to review, improve, add on or subtract vital areas in town. Bay Street is a very crowded section in town.

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| Motion - | Reilly | <i>That if the Chief has any concerns with the enforcement, we can tweak it. To continue to have all of Bay Street restrictive parking and remove from the area: Marginal Road, Moreland Ave., Hillside west of Fairmont, Sagamore Terrace east of Porrazzo, Merrill Road, Highland Way, Fairmont Way and Roosevelt.</i> |
| | Brannan | <i>Said West of Porrazzo. We want East of Porrazzo to be restricted, the rest no.</i> |
| | Lemnios | <i>Makes a suggestion that for this evening to do Bay Street and seek clarification from the Chief for the rest as it can wait a week or two to make sure that all the streets are taken off the list and have a catalog from that. DeCoste said that he will make sure to be available and email the Chief with the streets he perceives that needs to be restricted. To take this up at the next meeting with their recommendations.</i> |
| Motion - | Richardson | <i>Maintain Bay Avenue as restricted parking.</i> |
| Second - | Brannan | |
| Vote - | Unanimous in favor | |

CORRESPONDENCE

Read aloud by Reilly correspondence from Chief Hollingshead – re: Retirement of Firefighter

In a letter dated February 13, 2013, Hollingshead wrote to Reilly announcing the retirement of Firefighter David McNair effective January 25, 2013. McNair, a long time Hull resident, joined the Fire Dept. on December 4, 1984 and had a long and dedicated career of 20 years.

Reilly requested that a thank you letter be sent to McNair for his years of service.

Read aloud by Sestito correspondence from Lory Newmyer – Re: Annual Snow Row

In a memo dated February 21, 2013, Newmyer spoke of the 23rd Annual Snow Row. This event will take place on March 2, 2013. It will begin and end at the Windmill Point Boathouse starting at noon and end approximately one hour later. Any questions about the Snow Row, please call 781-925-5433 or email at lory@hulllifesavingmuseum.org.

NEW BUSINESS

Lemnios spoke of the storm that MEMA is in the process of collecting financial information from all the cities and towns that were affected by the storm. They are trying to figure out if the state will reach the minimum threshold from the government and request a federal declaration. Once that is established, there is a whole series of meetings and paperwork to be filed to get reimbursed. We need to impress upon residents their roles in storms with preparations (water, batteries, etc.). The State of Emergency is still in effect.

He then spoke of the upcoming BOS meetings. He proposed the following schedule: The next BOS meeting will be on March 5th. March 12th is an open date. On March 26th, Rep. Bradley and Senator Hedlund would like to be present. There are members on the Board that cannot meet on March 19th. Aquarion is due to come back to the Board with their quarterly update. Warrant Review will be on April 9th. Another BOS meeting on April 23rd.

Olivieri spoke about the corner of the Dunkin Donuts having a lot of debris in that general area making it difficult for people to cross in that area. Lemnios said that the DCR will be contacted.

Sestito thanked the Hull Hero Committee for their work in finalizing the application and date for Hull Hero's Award. The nomination is on the Town website. There is also a Facebook account and copies at the Town Hall. There is a deadline of March 14th to submit a nomination. The event will be held on May 2nd.

Richardson spoke of complaints with snow removal at the Kenberma Street businesses. He held comments that there is still a lot of snow in that area. He thinks it is all gone for the most part now. Lemnios stated that it is not uncommon for snow plows to go to these businesses in the evening to help clear out the snow.

Brannan spoke of the Snow Ball event is this Friday evening in support of the Life Saving Museum and on Saturday on March 23rd at 10:00 a.m. is the beach grass planting.

At this point the Board makes a Move into Executive Session

Motion: Reilly 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- Richardson, so moved

Second: Sestito

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

The following subject will be discussed during Executive Session:

1. Cope-Allen
2. Other claims involving the Town

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

The Selectmen moved to Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. and not reconvening into open session.

Recorded by Karen Morgan

Approved by

March 12, 2013