

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

April 9, 2013

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, April 9, 2013 at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Avenue, Hull, Massachusetts.

Present: John D. Reilly, Jr., Chairman, Kevin Richardson, Vice-Chair, and, John C. Brannan, Member.
Also present were: Philip E. Lemnios, Town Manager, James Lampke, Town Counsel.

Absent: Domenico Sestito, Clerk, Dr. Christopher Olivieri, Member and Karen Morgan, Recording Secretary

Reilly announced that due to the absence of the two board members, the Board will hold off in voting for the ZBA and Park and Recreation appointments.

MINUTES

Unanimously approved in a Motion made by Richardson, seconded by Brannan on the following minutes: March 5, 2013.

OTHER BUSINESS

Motion - Richardson: To lift the State of Emergency related to the blizzard.

Second - Brannan

Vote - Unanimous in favor

APPOINTMENTS

7:30 p.m. – Hull Garden Club – re: License Agreement

Lemnios and Judy Dorner spoke of the Hull Garden Club regarding a proposal to use the "Showboat" site that is on G.W. Blvd. to create a community garden site under their guidance with rules and regulations for the gardeners. A license agreement was agreed upon for a 3-year term that would provide protection to the Town and for the gardeners to continue with the proposal. One of the actions is to ask the BOS to allow the Town to enter into a license agreement with the Garden Club and to have the Chairman sign on behalf of the Board if the Board is inclined to allow this project to move forward.

Motion - Brannan: To approve this proposal as presented this evening and to authorize the Chair or the Town Manager to sign on behalf of the Town the final agreement once prepared by Town Counsel.

Second - Richardson

Vote - Unanimous in favor

Brannan announced that the Fort Revere Community Cleanup Day is scheduled for April 13, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to noon with a rain date of April 14, 2013 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

7:45 p.m. – Gary Twombly – re: Park and Recreation Commission – Reappointment

Mr. Twombly introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

7:55 p.m. – Steve Williamson – re: Park and Recreation Commission – Reappointment

Mr. Williamson introduced himself and spoke of his experience.

Reilly stated that he wanted to have reappointments interviewed and it is getting more and more difficult for people to do interviews. For example, the ZBA interviews have been going on for 3 or 4 months as they are trying to get people to come into their interviews. It is imperative to interview new candidates and to think about having reappointments to come in as well and address issues. It is tough to get interviews done all in the same night. He will schedule a vote hopefully in the next meeting.

LICENSES RENEWAL

*Unanimously approved the license for Park Ave Lodging dba Nantasket Beach Lodging, Walter Campbell, Manager, 12 Park Avenue – Lodging House License on a Motion made by **Richardson**, seconded by **Brannan**.*

*Unanimously approved the license for Rick Lawrence dba Dream Machine, 197 Nantasket Avenue - Arcade on a Motion made by **Richardson**, seconded by **Brannan**.*

OTHER BUSINESS CONT.

Reilly spoke of the restricted parking on Bay Street.

Motion - Brannan: To approve of all of Bay Street to be restricted parking, Hillside to be restricted parking, Eastern Ave to be restricted parking and Sagamore Terrace East of Porrazzo Road to be restricted parking,

Second - Richardson

Vote - Unanimous in favor

Brannan announced that the May water/electric bill will have applications for parking permits so that the residents can fill out instead of visiting the police station to get passes, it can now be done by mail.

Brannan reiterated that the Fort Revere Community Cleanup Day is scheduled for April 13, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to noon with a rain date of April 14, 2013 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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APPOINTMENTS CONT.

8:15 p.m. – Aquarion Water Company – re: Update

J. Walsh spoke of the recent updates from the Aquarion Water Company. The presentation consisted of the following topics and highlights: 2013 Water Production (Hingham/Hull) Main Breaks from January to March, Water Infrastructure (Hingham/Hull/Cohasset), 2007-2012 Capital Program (Hull), Supply Pumping Treatment Upgrades, 2013-2014 Hull Capital Projects (hydrants, services on Nantasket Ave., main replacements on Atlantic Ave.), Hull Capital Projects (A-Q Streets, A-L Streets, Capacity (fire flows), Critical Areas – K, K, M, N and O)), Community Activities (Endless Summer, Rachel's Race, Hull Theatre Arts, Veteran's Memorial Fund and 5K Keep the Beat).

Lemnios announced that the Aquarion Water Company has done a wonderful job in communicating with the Board with answers and resolving breaks as efficiently as possible. Mr. Walsh said that these discussions will continue and come to a compromise position with the capital project issues. Reilly said this will take time to go into a new direction and Mr. Walsh is making a strong effort with the communication and trying to improve the services.

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Reilly made an announcement that the National Flood Insurance from 2012 had rate increases to anyone that is living in a flood zones. There will be a 25% increase annually until rates reflect true risk until January 1, 2013. Owners that had experienced severe or repeated flooding will see a 25% rate increases annually until rates reflect true risk beginning October 1, 2013. Owners of business property in special flood hazard areas will see 25% rate increase annually until rates reflect true risk beginning October 1, 2013. Owners of primary residences and special flood hazard areas will be able to keep this subsidized rate unless or until you sell your property, you allow your policy to lapse, you suffer repeated flood losses or you purchase a new policy. This is going to enforce many people to sell their homes. He would like the Town to ask the AG's office to look into this and for the Town Manager and the Town Counsel to prepare a letter on behalf of the Board to request the AG's office to look into this and offer some relief in the hopes to lower our flood insurance.

Motion - Richardson: To have Town Manager and the Town Counsel to prepare a letter on behalf of the Board to request the AG's office to look into the proposed increase of the flood insurance.

Second - Brannan

Vote - Unanimous in favor

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: Brannan

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

The following subject will be discussed during Executive Session:

1. Code Enforcement Cases

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

The Selectmen moved to Executive Session at 10:12 p.m. and not reconvening into open session.

Recorded by Karen Morgan

Approved by April 30, 2013

The following documents were included in the Board of Selectmen's packets or were presented during the meeting and are available in the Board of Selectmen's Office upon request:

1. Agenda for April 9, 2013 Meeting
2. Added Agenda for April 9, 2013 Meeting
3. Minutes from meeting of March 5, 2013
4. Memo from Office Manager to the BOS dated April 9, 2013 re: Reappointments/Appts.
5. License Applications as follows: Park Ave Lodging dba Nantasket Beach Lodging, Walter Campbell, Manager, 12 Park Avenue – Lodging House License; and Rick Lawrence dba Dream Machine, 197 Nantasket Avenue –Arcade
6. Handout from Aquarion Water Company re: Update