

**Hull Board of Selectmen**

**Minutes**

**July 8, 2015**

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday evening, July 8, 2015, at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Ave., Hull, Massachusetts. Note: This meeting was in lieu of the Board's normal Tuesday evening meeting.

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

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Craig Wolfe was at the meeting to request that the date for next year's car show be approved for June 12, 2016. He also thanked all of those who helped in this year's event.

<b>Motion</b>	Richardson	To approve June 12, 2016 as date of next year's car show
<b>Second</b>	Sestito	
<b>Vote</b>	Approved	Richardson – Aye Reilly – Aye Sestito – Aye Mitchell – Aye Brannan – Abstain/Recuse (Membership in Rotary)

A letter from John Donlon requested permission to hold the Three Beach Minimum half-marathon on September 26, 2015, starting at 7:30 a.m. at Nantasket Beach.

<b>Motion</b>	Sestito	Motion to approve date for the Three Beach Minimum half-marathon subject to final approve from Police and Fire Departments
<b>Second</b>	Reilly	
<b>Vote</b>	Unanimous	

**LICENSES AND RENEWALS**

The selectmen voted to approve the renewals of the following licenses:

<b>Motion</b>	Reilly	To renew the Common Victualer license for Placido Treviso, dba Nantasket Seafood & Pizza, 533 B Nantasket Ave.
<b>Second</b>	Sestito	
<b>Vote</b>	Unanimous	

<b>Motion</b>	Reilly	To renew the Common Victualer License for Hull Donuts, LLC, Maria Goncalves, Manager, 1 Bay Street
<b>Second</b>	Sestito	
<b>Vote</b>	Unanimous	

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Brannan noted that a letter to thank town departments for their work during the Fourth of July weekend had been written and required the signatures of the selectmen. A second letter thanked the Fire Chiefs of the neighboring communities, whose fire departments assisted with the recent fire on Newport Rd., in which coverage from multiple departments was needed.

**Letter from Police Chief Billings – re: Complaint of speeding cars**

A letter from Chief Billings noted that he had assigned an officer to monitor the traffic on Beach Ave. following a complaint received from Chesley Oriel regarding speeding. The monitoring will take about six weeks and Billings will then make a report to the selectmen. Both Brannan and Sestito noted also that the presence of children crossing Beach Ave. from the dunes is a concern. Lemnios noted that the road is tight from Revere Street down and the town sometimes works with the Conservation Administrator to widen it based on turn radiuses for fire vehicles.

**Letter from the Struzziery family – re: Request to hold annual Struzz’s 5k Home Run**

A letter from the Struzziery family requested permission to hold the Struzz’s 5K Home Run race in honor of the late Danielle Struzziery, on October 3, 2015 at 10 a.m., with registration opening at 8 a.m. at the Danielle Struzziery Field at N St.

<b>Motion</b>	Reilly	To approve the race on October 3, 2015
<b>Second</b>	Richardson	

<b>Vote</b>	Unanimous	
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**AGENDA ITEMS**

**Continued discussion of debt exclusion**

The selectmen continued their discussion of a potential debt exclusion. Discussion points included, but were not limited to:

- The debt exclusion as a route to funding capital needs
- The need to dissolve the Capital Planning Committee and create a Capital Outlay Committee
- The need to be transparent about where the money from the debt exclusion would be allocated
- How to present the debt exclusion to the public
- The possibility of starting with a special town meeting in September
- The need for a multi-year plan

In addition, Lemnios noted that he had met with Richard Kenney of the Advisory Board to begin identifying control mechanisms regarding a capital stabilization fund and its use. First, to appropriate the money from a debt exclusion into a capital stabilization account, which would require a 2/3 vote at Town Meeting; and second, to have a list of projects for any given year and have those funds come directly out of the capital stabilization account rather than departmental accounts so that any money left over from the project would stay in the capital account. He also noted that there would need to be project control mechanisms that covered cost, timeline, parameters, and reporting for each project. He said that it would be beneficial to have a resolution every year at Town Meeting committing to keep the funds for capital needs only.

Lemnios also said that a percentage should be dedicated to roadways and that there would need to be a certain amount for seed money for grants, as the town's chances of getting grants improve if it has matching funds. He recommended moving forward in a measured manner with facts in hand and a framework in place so as to be able to answer the public's questions and concerns. He said that the most common format is to bring the expenditures needed to Town Meeting, contingent on the debt exclusion passing at the ballot. Kenney added that the projects that would be funded by the debt exclusion would not be possible without it.

A motion was made to form a nine-member committee as follows:

<b>Motion</b>	Richardson	To create a Capital Outlay committee consisting of two members of the Board of Selectmen, one member each from the Advisory Board and the Planning Board, one member from the School Committee (or the School Superintendent), the Town Manager, and three members of the public, one from each precinct.
<b>Second</b>	Sestito	
<b>Vote</b>	Unanimous	

Sestito made a further motion to dissolve the Capital Planning Committee.

<b>Motion</b>	Sestito	To dissolve the Capital Planning Committee and ask Lemnios to write a letter to its members thanking them for their service.
<b>Second</b>	Reilly	
<b>Vote</b>	Unanimous	

The board voted to assign its representatives to the Capital Outlay Committee.

<b>Motion</b>	Brannan	Motion that the Board of Selectmen representatives to the Capital Outlay Committee will be Brannan and Richardson, with Mitchell as alternate
<b>Second</b>	Reilly	
<b>Vote</b>	Unanimous	

Lampke noted that the positions of members of the committee would need to be designated as special municipal employees as per the conflict of interest law.

<b>Motion</b>	Richardson	To designate the positions of members of the Capital Outlay Committee as special municipal employees
<b>Second</b>	Reilly	
<b>Vote</b>	Unanimous	

### **Schedule**

The selectmen discussed a draft schedule for its meetings through December. Lemnios would present a finalized version of the schedule at the following week's meeting.

## **Goals list, revisited**

Mitchell noted that several of the items on the goals list can be crossed off due to the upcoming meetings with the departmental heads. Lemnios then went through the goals list and noted which ones can be marked as completed or in process. Lemnios would bring an updated list to the July 14 meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Reilly noted that the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. commemoration would be held on July 25, at noon, at the corner of C St. and Beach Ave., where Kennedy was born. Congressman Kennedy would be attending, as would Congressman Lynch. Other members of the Kennedy family would be invited.

Richardson recommended reestablishing the Enjoy Hull Committee.

Selectmen briefly discuss the parking situation at Pemberton and asked to put the matter on a future agenda.

Mitchell updated the selectmen on the Harbor Illumination and the Coast Guard vessel James commissioning. The Harbor Illumination will occur on July 25 with flares, an event at L St., and a parade of boats. The James will be commissioned in Boston on August 8; there will be tours of the vessel for town residents on August 5; and there is a possible offshore appearance of the vessel on August 2. Mitchell also noted that the Zip Trip from Fox News went well.

Lemnios updated the selectmen on flood insurance maps. The town will be getting quotes from two firms who are experienced in looking at the maps and appealing with FEMA.

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m. The board will meet again on Tuesday, July 14, 2015.**

*Recorded by Catherine Goldhammer*

Approved July 28, 2015

## **Documents**

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:

- Board of Selectmen agenda and amended agenda for July 8, 2015
- Application for Common Victualer License for Hull Donuts, LLC, Maria Goncalves, Manager, 1 Bay Street [renewal]
- Letter from Police Chief Billings – re: Complaint of speeding cars
- The Struzziery Family – re: Request to hold annual Struzz's 5k Home Run
- Request from Nantasket-Hull Rotary regarding date of next year's car show
- Letter from Jon Donlon regarding 3 Beach Minimum half-marathon
- Application for Common Victualer License for Placido Treviso, dba Nantasket Seafood & Pizza, 533 B Nantasket Ave. [renewal]
- Categorized list of June 2 & 9 goals
- Proposed meeting schedule for Board of Selectmen through December 2015