Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

September 8, 2016

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday evening, September 8, 2016, at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Ave., Hull, Massachusetts.

Present: Kevin Richardson, Chair; Christopher Mitchell, Vice-Chair; Domenico Sestito, Clerk; Jennifer Constable, Member. Also present were Phillip Lemnios, Town Manager; and James Lampke, Town Counsel. John Reilly, Jr., Member, was absent.

APPOINTMENTS

0 Rockland Circle pocket park

The selectmen discussed the proposed pocket park at 0 Rockland Circle. Lemnios explained that 0 Rockland Circle is a five-unit condominium development and as part of the Planning Board process the developer agreed to install a small park on a piece of town-owned land near the development. The Planning Board, Design Review Board, and Hull Historical Commission have reviewed and approved the park design. Town Counsel Lampke is in the process of working with the developer's attorneys on a covenant specifying the terms of this agreement.

Don Ritz, Chairman of the Design Review Board was present at the meeting and described the configuration of the park and presented a plan of its design. Sarah Clarren, Acting Director of Community Planning and Development, said that the Planning Board has approved the project. Tom Meade, the developer of the condominiums, said that he would like to move forward on the park immediately, as it is a condition of his occupancy permit that it be completed and he expects to close on the first unit at the end of September.

Lemnios explained that the park will remain town property but there will be a covenant on the condominium deeds that they have maintenance in perpetuity. Lampke said that the details of the maintenance will be specified in the covenant. Meade noted that the development has to report to the town in a year to review the status of the park. Constable commended the Planning Board, Design Review Board, and Hull Historical Commission for their work on this project.

Lampke suggested a motion to approve the concept of the covenant and to approve and authorize the Chairman or the Town Manager to sign the final draft once it has been completed.

Motion	Mitchell	So moved.
Second	Sestito	
Vote	Unanimous	

NEW BUSINESS

Lampke noted that Wednesday, September 14, is the 300th anniversary of Boston Light. Lampke explained that there will be a ceremony in Boston and also at Boston Light. Hull will have an event at the high school field that

will culminate with the Coast Guard Honor Band performing a free concert at 6 p.m. Prior to that, Sally Snowman, the Boston Light keeper will speak at 5:45. The Lifesaving Museum will have a table with activities for children and will also have events at the museum after the concert. The light was lit for the first time on September 14, 1716. Prior to that, in 1715, Hull Town Meeting voted to convey Little Brewster Island to the Commonwealth for the construction of the lighthouse. It remains within Hull's territorial waters.

Richardson asked for a motion to declare Wednesday September 14 Boston Light Day and also to prepare a proclamation to present on that night

Motion	Sestito	So moved.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Lemnios noted that the bid request for the Crescent Beach seawall is on the street. In addition, the Board of Health declared an emergency for the seaweed from S Street north to the cove and will try to clean that up on Saturday.

Lemnios further noted that the September 11 ceremony will be held on Sunday at 6 p.m. at the bathhouse.

Mitchell thanked the police department for a successful transition from summertime to school-year parking at Pemberton. He noted that they were very proactive and effectively managed the transition. He also stated that the Chamber is still looking for volunteers for Endless Summer, which is on September 17.

Sestito congratulated HAPSA for the first annual opiate awareness ceremony, which was held last Wednesday and very well attended. He thanked in particular Kris Richards, who organized the event

Rhoda Kanet asked about the progress in the search for a new police chief. Richardson noted that they have done one site visit and are scheduling visits to Hull and interviews here. He will provide an update on the timeline at the next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m. on a motion by Sestito, seconded by Constable. The board will meet next at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 2016.

Recorded by Catherine Goldhammer
Approved by:

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's agenda and added agenda for September 8, 2016
- 0 Rockland Circle park design materials