

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

September 22, 2016

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday evening, September 22, 2016, at the Hull Municipal Building, 253 Atlantic Ave., Hull, Massachusetts.

Present: Kevin Richardson, Chair; Christopher Mitchell, Vice-Chair; Domenico Sestito, Clerk; and Jennifer Constable, Member. Also present were Phillip Lemnios, Town Manager; James Lampke, Town Counsel; and Catherine Goldhammer, recording secretary. John Reilly, Jr., Member, was not present.

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Richardson congratulated Firefighter Jay King on his retirement after 33 years of service.

APPOINTMENTS

Logan Airport Committee Update

Dave Carlon, Chair of the Logan Airport Committee, updated the selectmen on the committee's activities since it last came before the board.

Carlon noted that there has been an increase in air traffic noise, particularly in "primetime" hours, during which it is significantly more persistent than in the past. He also stated that there are now complaints occurring nationwide from areas that have been affected by the new flight patterns, and that the FAA is therefore more open to the idea of making changes. He further stated that Hull is in a unique position to achieve remediation because of its location and the possibility of directing some of the traffic over water rather than over the town.

Numerous residents were present at the meeting to voice their concerns about the effects of noise on their lives, stating that the volume of the noise is overwhelming and negatively affects their well-being.

Carlon asked the selectmen to endorse the committee's recommendations, which include alterations to flight paths and runway usage. Richardson asked for a motion to endorse the Logan Airport noise relief recommendations as presented: regarding departures, to request that planes departing Runway 22R and 15R be shifted further from Hull's shoreline and over the Boston Harbor Islands on a pre-2012 flight track; to ask for relaxation of the three nautical mile flight path separation rule; and regarding arrivals, to ask that whenever feasible, Logan arrivals that might otherwise use Runway 33L be routed, instead, to a flight path with continuous descent over the Atlantic Ocean and Boston Harbor, preferably north of Boston Lighthouse.

Motion	Sestito	So moved.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Motion	Sestito	Motion to appoint Kevin Richardson as the board's liaison to the Logan Airport Committee

Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Cultural Council Appointment

The board interviewed Richard Glackemeyer for a seat on the Cultural Council. Glackemeyer has been a member of Hull Artists for ten years and treasurer of that organization for two years. He voiced his appreciation for the work of the council and his wishes to be part of that going forward. The board voted as follows:

Motion	Sestito	Motion to appoint Richard Glackemeyer for a seat on the Cultural Council for a term ending in 2017
Second	Mitchell	
Vote	Unanimous	

Chief Robert Sawtelle regarding appointment of Special Police Officers

Chief Sawtelle asked the selectmen to appoint special police officers. These appointments expire at midnight on December 31, 2016, and allow the officers to work paid details and perform other duties for the department on an as-needed basis.

Motion	Sestito	Motion to appoint Robert Green as a sixth-year seasonal officer and the following as first-year seasonal officers: Michael Boncariewski, Ramon Casado, Michael Cambra, Carlos Delgado, Pedro Hernandez, Dean Royston, Michael Sampson, Scott Witham, Mark Mainini, and Andrew Ziniti.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Appointment of two permanent full time police officers

Chief Sawtelle also asked the selectmen to approve the appointment of two full-time police officers, Steven P. O'Neill and Leanne N. Marshalsea. The appointment of these two officers would require the board to first authorize the department to by-pass the first name on the certified roster. Town Counsel Lampke explained that the first person on the list has not been able to complete the police academy and without adjustments from the academy, which it is not permitted to make, he will not be able to do so.

Richardson asked for a motion to approve the by-pass of the number one candidate on the list for the following reasons:

- Failure to successfully complete the academy;
- Candidate did not have a reasonable expectation of completing the requirements of the academy;

- Candidate does not appear to have the ability to perform the state established and reasonable requirements of a police officer in that he cannot adequately run, which is a requirement to successfully complete the academy;
- Candidate was less than forthright in his representations to the police chief as to his preparations for the academy and to the academy as to his fitness and his ability to do what is required;
- Candidate displayed a lack of ability to follow instructions.

And to further move that the board appoint Officer Steven P. O'Neill and Officer Leann N. Marshalsea as permanent full time police officers.

Motion	Mitchell	So moved.
Second	Sestito	
Vote	Unanimous	

Historic District Commission Appointments

The board voted to appoint members to the Historic District Commission as follows:

Motion	Mitchell	Motion to reappoint Cinzi Lavin to a term expiring in 2017; Don Ritz to a term expiring in 2018; and Florence Lathrop to a term expiring 2018.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Motion	Mitchell	Motion to reappoint Julie Galuzzo as an alternate to a term expiring in 2019.
Second	Constable	
Vote		

Motion	Mitchell	Motion to appoint Bob Pahl as a permanent member to a term expiring in 2019.
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Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Motion	Mitchell	Motion to appoint Robert Bison as an alternate to a term expiring in 2018.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Richardson noted that there is still a vacant permanent position and a vacant alternate position, both to expire in 2017.

Historical Commission Appointments

The board voted to reappoint members to the Historical Commission as follows:

Motion	Mitchell	Motion to reappoint Florence B. Lathrop to a term expiring in 2017; Barbara Kalb to a term expiring in 2017; Lory Newmyer and Dennis Riley to terms expiring in 2018; and Don Ritz and Fulvia Quilici Matteucci to terms expiring in 2019.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Richardson noted that there is still a vacant permanent position with a term expiring in 2019.

CORRESPONDENCE

Kerry Ann McCarthy regarding permission to hold yoga classes on the beach

A letter from Kerry Ann McCarthy requested permission to hold yoga classes on the beach. Lemnios noted that he has spoken with McCarthy regarding this matter and that she has been referred to Parks and Recreation.

Lori West, Town Clerk, regarding early voting

A memo from Town Clerk Lori West informed the selectmen of the dates and times for early voting for the upcoming election. Lemnios noted that the selectmen's meeting room would be set up for voting and that any meetings on the days in question would have to be held elsewhere.

Carol Lincoln, regarding resignation from Design Review Board

Notice was received from Carol Lincoln stating that she will be resigning from the Design Review Board, as she is moving out of state.

Mark Levinson, regarding permit to install partial fence on railroad bed

A letter from Mark S. Levinson requesting approval for used of the railroad bed for two fences was put forward to a future meeting.

MINUTES

The selectmen approved minutes as follows:

Motion	Mitchell	Motion to approve the minutes of the meetings of July 21, 2016, August 11, 2016, August 25, 2016, and September 8, 2016.
Second	Constable	
Vote	Unanimous	

Motion	Constable	Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of July 28, 2016.
Second	Mitchell	
Vote	Passed 3/0/1	Richardson – Aye Mitchell – Aye Constable – Aye Sestito abstained as he was not at the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Lemnios spoke about the September 12 meeting held with the DCR Commissioner. The Hull Redevelopment Authority was present, as were Selectmen Richardson and Mitchell. Lemnios described this as a very productive meeting and stated that the Commissioner seems very open to exploring resolution to long-standing issues, in particular the proposed parking lot swap with the HRA. The group toured the HRA property, visited the Pt. Allerton seawall, Fort Revere, and Pemberton Point. Lemnios stated that the Community Compact, which is a partnership between the town, the HRA, and the DCR is something that the state is still very interested in.

Lemnios also informed the board that an offer of employment has been made to one of the candidates for Director of Planning and Development, and the town is near making a decision on a Conservation Administrator. Police Chief interviews will be held in a few weeks.

In addition, Lemnios noted that the town has received notification that it has been approved for the next stage of its Complete Streets application and was awarded \$38,000 for assistance with a prioritization plan. He also said that a

set of playground equipment was received via donation and will be installed at the Kenberma playground in October. He thanked Greg Gray, who was instrumental in acquiring the donation.

Sestito thanked everyone who attended and organized the 9/11 ceremony. He also noted that he had received a letter regarding a traffic issue on Main Street.

Constable said that the South Shore Vocational Technical School Committee had a site visit and informational meeting at the South Shore Vocational Technical School. She also noted that Hull athletic schedules have been posted.

Richardson noted that two documents had been received from the School Committee regarding charter schools. He also suggested that a meeting with the Capital Outlay Committee be put on the agenda.

Resident Rhoda Kanet said that the recent Coastal Sweep collected 240 pounds of trash. Kanet further requested that the appointment of a zoning bylaw study committee be placed on the agenda.

Richardson asked for a motion that the Board of Selectmen call for a special local election on November 8, 2016 for the purpose of seeing if the town will accept the provisions of sections 3 to 7 of chapter 44B of the General Laws, commonly known as the Community Preservation Act; and that the town request the Governor to file a Governor's Message for said election.

Motion	Constable	So moved.
Second	Sestito	
Vote	Unanimous	

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:15 p.m., Richardson asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health of an individual, and to consider the discipline or dismissal of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual; to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and that the Chair declared that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect of the bargaining position of the body; to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation and that the Chair declared that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect of the litigating position of the body; to go into Executive Session to comply with or act under the authority of the Privacy Laws, including G.L.c.214, sec. 1B; and to go into Executive Session to comply with or act under the authority of the Attorney-Client privilege; and not to reconvene in open session.

The matters to be discussed were:

- Police Union
- Personnel issues

Motion	Sestito	Move to go into Executive Session to discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health of an individual, and to consider the discipline or dismissal of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member, or individual; to go
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Second	Mitchell	
Vote	Unanimous	Richardson – Aye Mitchell – Aye Constable – Aye Sestito – Aye

The open session was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. on a motion by Sestito, seconded by Mitchell. The board will meet next at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 6, 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 22, 2016
- Logan Airport noise relief recommendations
- Motion for special election for CPA
- Letter and resolution from School Committee regarding charter schools
- Letter from Mark. S. Levenson regarding railroad bed
- Memo from Lori West regarding early voting
- Email from Carol Lincoln regarding resignation from Design Review Board
- Letter from Lori Clark regarding yoga on the beach
- Letter from Police Chief Robert Sawtelle regarding special police officer appointments
- Letter from Police Chief Robert Sawtelle regarding appointment of two permanent officers