

Hull Board of Selectmen

Minutes

August 10, 2017

The meeting of the Hull Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evening, August 10, 2017, at Hull High School, 180 Main St., Hull, Massachusetts.

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

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APPOINTMENTS

Logan Airport Committee Update

David Carlon was present at the meeting to give the board an update on the activities and progress of the Logan Airport Committee. The goal of the committee has been to advocate for solutions to the airline traffic over Hull and resulting noise by advocating for flight paths that direct planes over the water rather than over the community. Carlon is also the Chairman of the Logan Airport Community Advisory Committee.

Carlon described to the board a study being done by MIT on behalf of MassPort and the FAA to look at flight path configurations that might provide relief to impacted communities around Boston. He stated that one of the potential paths that is receiving a lot of attention is one that will shift the burden from town of Milton to the town of Hull. He stated that Hull already has a greater burden than Milton and the new path would create even more. He stated that Hull's recommendations are being considered, but because Hull has a smaller population, its needs might receive less weight.

State Representative Joan Meschino said that she has been working closely with Carlon, has also been working on legislation that will expand the Community Advisory Committee, and has been keeping house leadership up to date. In addition she is going to be working with a legislative caucus on the matter. She stated that it is important that Hull and Milton work together to get a solution that is fair and works for both communities rather than work against each other.

Richardson said that he will meet with Lemnios to draft a letter to the appropriate legislators and government agencies. They will also work with Meschino, Carlon, and coordinate with the grassroots organization in Hull.

Frank Kerr stated that the grassroots organization would like to be kept in the loop. He stated that they can marshal hundreds of letters when the time is right for these. Meschino said that the citizen piece is very important. Lemnios pointed out that Hull has been pursuing this issue for 30 years and commended Carlon and the committee for their work and the degree of expertise they have developed.

The full presentation is available for viewing in the video archive of the meeting.

Frank Kerr asked the board to appoint Colleen O'Donnell, Jeff Kerr, and Bob Stenberg to the committee, which would increase it by three members. The board voted as follows:

Motion	Reilly	Motion to increase the size of the Logan Airport Committee to seven members.
Second	Sestito	

Vote	Unanimous	
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Motion	Reilly	Motion to appoint the three additional members mentioned this evening for a one year term.
Second	Sestito	
Vote	Unanimous	

Tyler Brennen, regarding livery badge for Bayside Coach

Tyler Brennen was present at the meeting to request a livery license to drive for Bayside Coach. The board had received clearance from the Police Department on his driving status.

Motion	Reilly	Motion to approve a livery license for Tyler Brennen, 132 Bay St., and to note for the record that his driver's license is current and his CORI has no issues.
Second	Sestito	
Vote	Unanimous	

Larry Kellem, regarding proposal for Nantasket Avenue

Larry Kellem stated that he and his sons are the owners of 667 Nantasket Avenue and that they are going to be putting the property on the market. Because it is next door to the fire station, he thought that the town might have an interest in purchasing the property. It is assessed at slightly under \$300,000. He said that the fair market value is probably slightly higher than that. He noted that purchasing the property would increase footprint of town owned property at fire station. The Board thanked Kellem for bringing this to the Board's attention.

NEW BUSINESS

Sestito asked that a conversation regarding marijuana, including updates from the task force, be put on a future agenda. He also announced that the International Overdose Awareness Day is August 31, and there will be a vigil at the Bernie King Pavilion at 7 p.m.

Mitchell said that he would like the board to consider some of the signage around town, including the "Welcome to Hull" signs and consider signage regarding Coast Guard City status. Lemnios said that the town received a grant and a consultant is looking at the signage and wayfinding in town, with the purpose of finding themes and then applying them throughout the community.

Richardson said there was a letter from the U.S. Coast Guard Commander commending Harbormaster Kurt Bornheim's contributions, professionalism and teamwork during Sail Boston .

Resident Rhoda Kanet said that the No Place for Hate Committee is having an event on Tuesday, August 22, on how to respond to hate crimes and threats. Participants will meet at 6 p.m. at the beach and there will be a symbolic throwing of stones representing hate and biases into water. The group will then meet at the Senior Center for the program. She noted that a swastika made of rocks was recently discovered on beach.

Kanet further stated that the Beach Management Committee had held its summer beach forum. There was discussion about plovers, changes in beach grass planting, and a group was there to advocate for dogs on beach.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:55 p.m., Richardson asked for a motion to go into Executive; to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and that the Chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the body; to also consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property and that the Chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the body; to go into Executive Session to comply with, or act under the authority of the Attorney-Client privilege; to go into Executive Session to consult with legal counsel and obtain legal advice pursuant to the Attorney-Client privilege; and not to reconvene in open session.

Matters to be discussed were:

- Fire Union contract grievance
- Property between Bay Ave. East and A Street, the cemetery, and other property

Motion	Sestito	So moved
Second	Mitchell	
Vote	Unanimous	Richardson – Aye Sestito – Aye Mitchell – Aye Reilly – Aye

The open portion of the meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m. The board is scheduled to meet next at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 24, 2017.

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 August 10, 2017
- License application from Tyler Brennen for livery license
- Hand-out regarding 667 Nantasket Ave.