

***Hanson Board of Selectmen
Selectmen's Meeting Room, Hanson Town Hall
Tuesday, January 10, 2017
Regular Meeting 7:00 P.M.***

Members Present: Donald Howard, Bruce Young, James McGahan, Kenny Mitchell & William Scott

Members Absent:

Others Present: Town Administrator, Michael McCue
Executive Assistant Meredith Marini

7:00 p.m. Chairman McGahan called the meeting to order, led the Pledge of Allegiance, read the announcements and upcoming meeting schedule. The Board observed a moment of silence for Thomas Pepe.

Chairman McGahan announced he would be taking the agenda out of order as Mr. Hayes has another meeting to attend.

Bob Hayes update on Statement of Interest on Maquan/Middle School – School Committee Chairman Bob Hayes informed the Board that the Statement of Interest for the replacement of Maquan School project was passed over by Mass. School Building Authority for the year 2017 – 2018. There were other districts with greater needs. Mr. Hayes recommended a long term goal for the Maquan School regarding its immediate needs as any MSBA project would take at least five to six years for completion.

Mr. Hayes suggested a State Of Interest for accelerated repair projects such as heating systems, windows or roofs. The School committee will do a comprehensive study to keep the school on line. Mr. Young pointed out that the boilers in the Maquan School are the originals from the 1960's. The Statement of Interest submittal deadline is the end of February or beginning of March.

Mr. Young clarified the Statement of Interest which was passed over was to add on to the Middle School for the pre-school and move Pre-K and 1 to the Indian Head. Mr. Hayes noted that there were several options, but the project was been passed over.

Chairman McGahan noted that the decision by MSBA was strictly based on needs of other communities and not based on the Town's previous submittals.

II NEW BUSINESS

Open Warrants for May Annual & Special Town Meetings

MOTION by Howard, second by Scott to open the May Annual and Special Town meeting warrants. ***Voted 5 – 0***

Mrs. Marini recommended that the warrant articles be due by Friday, March 10, 2017 and the warrants will close on Tuesday, March 14th.

Review Capital Improvement Plan – Mr. McCue reviewed the Selectmen’s Capital Improvement project which included \$50,000 for key card access to Town Hall, \$10,000 for three years for Plymouth County Hospital property projects, \$150,000 for sidewalks. The plan also includes the \$4 Million Highway Facility.

MOTION by Mitchell, second by Howard to approve the Capital Improvement Plan as submitted. ***Voted 5 - 0***

Proclaim April 28, 2017 as Arbor Day - Mr. McCue informed the Board that he will apply to have Hanson designated as a Tree City. He noted that a local resident has offered to donate several trees for planting around town. A tree will be planted on Arbor Day.

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to Proclaim April 28th as Arbor Day in Hanson. ***Voted 5 – 0***

Approve Amendment to Custodian of Tax Title Property Policy – Mr. McCue requested the Board approve a minor amendment to the Custodian of Tax Title Property Policy by adding in ***Section 3) Circulate Property Sale Review Package – 45 Day*** “L) Historical Commission and M) Community Preservation Committee and adjusting the Follow Up clause to item N).

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to approve the amendment to the Custodian of Tax Title Property Policy as presented. ***Voted 5 – 0***

Vote Acceptance of Donations: Chairman McGahan read the list of donations mde to the Elder Affairs: Harold Norris \$50.00, Ian MacCallum \$200.00, H.G. Donuts \$300, Victoria Ferry Miller \$100, Ferry Automotive \$100 and a donation from National Grid in the amount of \$1,200 for the Landscape Gift Account.

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to accept the donations as read. ***Voted 5 – 0***

Appointments:

Recreation Commission – Applicants were Sondra Allen 188 Elm Street, Annmarie Bouzan 95 Woodbrook Lane, Kevin Cameron 205 Partridge Way, Theresa Cocio 121 Whitman Street, Diane Cohen 767 Pleasant Street, Wilbur Danner 445 State Street, Audrey Flanagan 43 Baker Street, Brian Fruzzetti 370 Elm Street, Rachael Gross 35 Katydid Lane, John Mahoney 96 Main Street, Brian Smith 38 Sandy Terrace, Donna Tramontana 591 High Street and John Zucco 101 Glenwood Place. Chairman McGahan informed the audience that using a ballot style spreadsheet each of the board members would select seven applicants. The selections would be tallied and the applicants with the most votes will be appointed.

Mr. Young read the duties of the Commission which were established in Article 16 of the June 4, 1990 Special Town Meeting:

It shall be the duty of this commission, and each of its members to oversee the total operation of the current Camp Kiwanee and the current Cranberry Cover and other recreational activities deem proper, including but not limited to the setting of priorities, the hiring and termination of employment of necessary personnel, the

handling of and the accounting for funds entrusted to their care, the maintenance of facilities, the planning of future operations and all other duties that normally fall within these responsibilities. All activities shall be directed in the best interests of the residents of the Town of Hanson only.

Members shall annually choose a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer from the membership.

Chairman McGahan requested all the applicants give a brief introduction. Chairman McGahan reviewed the resumes of applicants Sandra Allen, Audrey Flanagan and Donna Tramontana who were not present. The Board of Selectmen completed the ballot sheet with the following results: Sondra Allen 4 votes, Annmarie Bouzan 3 votes, Kevin Cameron 2 votes; Theresa Cocio 1 vote; Diane Cohen 3 votes, Wilbur Danner 2 votes, Audrey Flanagan 1 vote, Brian Fruzzetti 5 votes; Rachael Gross 4 votes; John Mahoney 2 votes; Brian Smith 4 votes, Donna Tramontana 0 votes and John Zucco 4 votes.

Chairman McGahan thanked everyone for applying. The Board discussed the assignment of terms based on the number of votes:

Brian Fruzzette Term Expires 6/30/19

Rachael Gross 6/30/19

Brian Smith 6/20/19

Sondra Allen 6/30/18

John Zucco 6/30/18

Annmarie Bouzan 6/30/17

Diane Cohen 6/30/17

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to appoint the seven Commission with terms as discussed and remove Mr. McCue as interim Recreation Commission upon the swearing in of the new members. **Voted 4 – 1 (Young)**

Mr. McCue will set up and attend the first meeting of the new commission. Mr. Young requested that Mrs. Marini provide a packet to the members of the duties, job description for the Recreation Director and Administrative Assistant.

200th Anniversary Committee – Joshua Singer 263 Main Street

MOTION by Howard, second by Young to appoint Joshua Singer to the 200th Anniversary Committee. **Voted 5 – 0**

Records Access Officer – Karen Stolfer – Library

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to appoint Karen Stolfer as the Records Access Officer for the Library. **Voted 5 – 0**

Requests:

Hanson Girls Scouts request to use Town Hall parking area for Cookie Drive
February 11 & 12th

Chairman McGahan read the letter dated January 4, 2017 from Lindsay Grasso on behalf of the Girl Scout Troop #65436.

Board of Selectmen,

I'm writing today on behalf of Girl Scout Troop #65436. We would like permission to have a "Drive-Up" Cookie Booth at Hanson Town Hall. We are hoping to set up a table under the overhang of the lower entry. We do not need access to the building. This is strictly outside. A few girls will be hold signs near the road for advertising. If possible we would like February 11 – 12th from 12 – 4. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call my home at 781-754-0261 or my cell 781-985-0311. Thank you for your support.

MOTION by Howard, second Mitchell to approve the request of the Hanson Girl Scout Troop for a drive up cook booth at Town Hall on February 11 & 12, 2017. **Voted 5 – 0**

III OLD BUSINESS

Town Possession properties Lakeside Road & Brook St. – Discussion with Conservation – Chairman Phil Clemons was present to review Town Possession which the Conservation Commission would like to retain. He noted that the Commission is not interested in the Lakeside Road property as there is not enough property to accommodate parking. Several Lakeside Road residents were present. They were not in favor of making the lot Conservation due to the access on the road and parking. The residents provided their contact information and requested they be notified when the parcel is set to be auctioned.

Mr. Clemons indicated that Conservation is interested in a lot on Brook Street and Maquan Street. Mr. Clemons was informed that the 308 Maquan Street parcel at the end of Maquan Pond has already been held and will not be presented for auction. Mr. Clemons indicated that the parcel on Brook Street Map 105 Lot 0-7-0 consists of a narrow shaped 1.9 acre lot which Indian Head Brook passes through and is under the Wetlands Protection Act. Conservation would like to retain it as public property leaving it undeveloped for wildlife habitat

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to remove Map 105 Lot 0-7-0 from the Town Possession auction list. **Voted 5 – 0.**

Discussion and potential vote relative to Animal Control Services – Mr. McCue is working on the issue and expects to have additional information for the next meeting.

Whitman Hanson Community Access Contract Update – Mr. McCue reported that he has spoke with Attorney Solomon. The agreement is in its final draft and Mr. McCue is waiting to receive the draft agreement for the Board's review.

IV APPROVE MINUTES

Vote to release Executive Session Minutes - Mr. McCue indicated that he has received a request for several years of executive session minutes. Mr. McCue has discussed the request with Town Counsel who has indicated several communities have received similar requests. Attorney Talerman recommended that as many of the executive session meetings occurred prior

to the present Board members, that the Board authorize Mr. McCue to review and release the executive session minutes regarding contracts and legal matters which have been concluded.

MOTION by Mitchell, second by Howard to authorize the Town Administrator under the advice of Counsel to release any and all appropriate Executive Session minutes from 2010 to present.

Voted 5 – 0

V TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. McCue reported that the bids for the Camp Kiwanee Septic repairs were opened and came in more than \$50,000 than the appropriation. He will be dismissing all the bids and will be meeting with Board of Health and Conservation to revisit the project. He hopes to be able to accomplish one phase of the project. The project costs were increased due to the fact that they didn't want to remove several trees. The lodge will be a priority. An alternate would include the bath house and a second alternate would be the leeching field.

He has seeking input from the Board members as he starts the initial meetings with the Unions.

He is scheduled to meet with the schools to review their budget.

The surplus equipment, antenna and highway vehicle has been placed on Municibid. He will also put the tower from the Plymouth County Hospital on shortly.

Pre-demolition of the Plymouth County Hospital meeting will be held on Wednesday in the Selectmen's meeting room.

Mr. McCue has been in contact with a representative of Downtown development initiative to discuss the Main Street improvements . he will be meeting with her shortly.

Mr. McCue met with the Library Trustees to discuss staffing of the Library Director's position. Karen Stolfer is serving as the Interim Library Director. They are reviewing the job description. Mr. McCue will assist them in posting and hiring of the Library Director's position. Wage & Personnel will have to meet to review the changes in the job description.

VI COMMITTEE REPORTS

Monponsett Pond Committee - Mr. Howard - Reports no meeting . He did indicate that as of January 3, 2017 Silver Lake is down 98.30 inches, more than 8 feet, which is the lowest it has been since 1985. There is roughly 200 feet of open shore line around most of the lake. There are several dead muscles and turtles. It is unknown if Brockton is going to clean it up. Brockton has not taken any water because the level is too low.

Indian Head & Maquan Priority Repair Comm. – Mr. Young – Nothing to report

Highway Building Committee – Mr. Scott – Nothing to report

Final Plymouth County Hospital Committee Update – Mr. Howard, meeting scheduled for Wednesday at the Town Hall.

VII ADJOURNMENT

MOTION Howard, second by Mitchell to adjourn. ***Voted 5 – 0***

8:58 p.m. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Marini,
Executive Assistant
Approved and voted 5 – 0
February 28, 2017