

Hanson Board of Selectmen
Selectmen's Meeting Room, Hanson Town Hall
Tuesday October 30, 2018
Regular Meeting 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Chairman Kenny Mitchell, Vice Chairman James Hickey, Clerk Matthew Dyer Laura Fitzgerald-Kemmett, and Wesley Blauss

Members Absent:

Others Present: Town Administrator Michael McCue

7:00 p.m. Chairman Mitchell called the meeting to order and led the Pledge Allegiance. Clerk Dyer read the announcements and upcoming meeting schedule.

APPROVE AND VOTE PRIVATE WAY PLOW LIST FOR 2019

Alden Way *	Indian Head Pond Development
Arthur Avenue	Kiwanee Road
Arthur Street	Lakeside Road
Audubon Lane	Leon Court
Azalea Way *	Litchfield Lane
Beckett Street	Meadow Lane
Boston Avenue	Ocean Avenue Ext.
Briggs Street	Pearl Street
Charles Street	Pennsylvania Avenue
Christopher Lane *	Pine Grove Colony
Cranberry Lane	Proud Foot Way
Cushman Street	Rollercoaster Road
Depot Street	Santos Court
Emory Street	Snow Street
Equus Drive	Spofford Avenue
Fallon Point Road	Station Street
Ferris Street	Stringer Lane *
French Street	Union Park Street
Gray Lane *	Upton Street
Hanson Court	Valley Forge Road *
Hawthorne Street	Village Road
Hemlock Drive*	Wilbur Avenue
Hill Road (Off Monponsett)	Wilkie Terrace-entrances only
Independence Avenue	Woodbine Avenue Ext.
	Woodman Terrace

Motion: To approve the 2018-2019 private way plow list as presented by the Highway Department (Fitzgerald-Kemmett /Dyer) 5:0 motion passes.

REVIEW & UPDATE SELECTMEN'S 2019 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Mr. McCue asked the Board to review and consider any additions to the 2019 Selectmen's Capital Plan. Some items on the plan were ongoing and some carried over from year to year. He asked for the Selectmen to get back to him with any suggestions for additions, which he would then bring before the full Board for approval at the next available meeting.

DECLARE WATER DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT SURPLUS

Motion: To declare the Water Department's 2000 Custom Utility Trailer Serial #5B7271861Y1002132 as surplus (Fitzgerald-Kemmett /Dyer) 5:0 motion passes.

DECLARE MISCELLANEOUS ASSESSORS' OFFICE FURNITURE SURPLUS

Mr. Hickey asked if the furniture could be sold at the upcoming Maquan yard sale. Mr. McCue responded that this furniture was of low quality and actually being replaced by furniture taken from Maquan. Mr. McCue mentioned that the yard sale is November 3 and reported that departments had visited Maquan and taken some items.

Motion: To declare miscellaneous Assessors' office furniture as surplus (Fitzgerald-Kemmett /Dyer) 5:0 motion passes.

ZBA ALTERNATE APPOINTMENT

Chairman Mitchell recognized Sean Buckle, who then described his interest in the appointment and his background.

Motion: To appoint Sean Buckley 204 Main St. as a ZBA Alternate Member to a term to Expire 6/30/2020 (Fitzgerald-Kemmett /Hickey) 5:0 motion passes.

SCHOOL DISTRICT STORAGE AT MAQUAN SCHOOL

Mr. McCue confirmed Mrs. Fitzgerald-Kemmett's statement that the storage was until the end of the current school year. He further stated that this storage will be checked on seven days a week by school department personnel which will be advantageous to security at the school.

Motion: To allow the School District to store excess equipment at the Maquan School (Fitzgerald-Kemmett /Hickey) 5:0 motion passes.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion: To approve the October 16, 2018 Reg. & Executive, not to release the executive session minutes. (Fitzgerald-Kemmett /Hickey) 5:0 motion passes.

ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSES – Camp Kiwanee

Gail Fusco, Hanson, Sat., Dec. 1st 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. – Christmas Party
Joseph King, Hanson, Sun, Dec. 9th 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – Holiday Party

MOTION: To approve the One Day Liquor Licenses as requested. (Fitzgerald-Kemmett /Hickey) 5:0 motion passes.

16 LIBERTY STREET MGL CHAPTER 139 HEARING

At 7:15 p.m. Chairman Mitchell opened the hearing with the following statement:

A hearing is opened pursuant to MGL Chapter 139 Hearing regarding the condition of a said property at 16 Liberty Street in the Town of Hanson.

MOTION: To approve opening of the meeting as read by the Chairman. (Fitzgerald-Kemmett /Dyer) 5:0 motion passes.

Attorney Kate Feodoroff described the hearing as the Board's opportunity to consider taking action regarding the current conditions of the former JJ's Pub site at 16 Liberty Street which burned to the ground several months prior. Three witnesses were present, but input was requested mainly from the Building Inspector Robert Curran. Police Chief Michael Miksch and Fire Chief Jerome Thompson were also available for input.

The Board was instructed that it needed to decide if the current conditions created a public nuisance and if so what orders it would direct to correct it.

Building Inspector Bob Curran distributed copies of the two order letters to the Board and explained the history of the issue. He spoke of the options of ordering a fence and cleanup. He explained that the insurance company can complicate funding for the owner.

Attorney Feodoroff spoke of the current attractive nuisance and safety concerns. Failure of the owner to comply with a Selectmen's order could result in seeking a court order to allow the Town to perform the directed actions and lien the property for the cost, which would be likely greater than if the owner did it herself.

Chairman Mitchell introduced Attorney Jack Atwood as the representative of the owner, Patricia Harrison. Attorney Atwood stated that the property was under agreement and that the buyer would take it 'as is' and perform the cleanup. He also agreed with the fact that insurance funds were likely not going to be available soon. He asked for consideration of forty-five days for any ordered action.

Chairman Mitchell expressed his interest in having the property fenced as soon as possible.

Selectman Fitzgerald-Kemmett spoke of environmental concerns given the continuation of material remaining at the site.

Selectman Blauss supported full cleanup with as little delay as possible.

Chairman Mitchell raised concerns about the timing of the process of cleanup and the potential need for DEP and other regulatory agencies' involvement. Selectman Fitzgerald-Kemmett mentioned, given such regulatory concerns, it makes a certain degree of sense that the Town oversee the work.

Clerk Dyer further expressed concerns over safety at the location and children being harmed.

Selectman Hickey asked if the Board could stagger the order, namely that the fence be placed in shorter period of time and the cleanup follow later. Attorney Feodoroff concurred.

Mr. Curran noted there was a process involving permits and hazardous material inspections. If materials of concern are found, the cleanup becomes lengthier, at least two weeks just for an evaluation. Attorney Feodoroff stated that the owner would first need to fail to comply with any order, and then the Board would need to direct her to file an injunction with the Court.

Chairman Mitchell called for a brief recess to allow Attorney Atwood to speak with his client.

Motion: To require a fence with slats be installed around the debris in five days, the demolition permit to be filed within fifteen days, and the debris to be removed within forty-five days, all of which are subject to the satisfaction of the Building Inspector. (Fitzgerald-Kemmett /Dyer) 5:0 motion passes.

Motion: To authorize Mr. McCue to execute the order as voted. (Fitzgerald-Kemmett /Hickey) 5:0 motion passes.

MOTION: To close the hearing. (Hickey/Dyer) 5:0 motion passes.

HANSON DAY – JUNE 1, 2019

Josh Singer, Director Hanson Business Network discussed the upcoming Hanson Day. It will be held on the Hanson Town Common versus previous location which was Camp

Kiwanee. Selectman Dyer asked to what degree the Recreation Commission has been involved. Mr. Singer will reach out to them.

Mr. Hickey asked if there was a committee overseeing the event. Mr. Singer indicated that the Business Network would oversee the event but he would reach out to the Recreation Commission. It was stated that no charges were anticipated to be assessed to participate for either the public or businesses, but the event was at the beginning stages.

Mr. McCue mentioned that a future look at the charge of the Recreation Commission was warranted to possibly encompass recreation beyond the scope of Camp Kiwanee.

Motion: To allow the Hanson Business Network to use the Town Common on June 1, 2019 for Hanson Day, June 8 as a rain date. (Dyer/Hickey) 4:0:1 (Fitzgerald-Kemmett abstains) motion passes.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. McCue noted that the Highway Department had change contractors for striping roads due to performance issues.

Mr. McCue reported that the Commonwealth granted Hanson an additional \$63,747.00 in Chapter 90 funds, which are allotted to road repair and related issues. The new Chapter 90 funds total \$382,482.00.

Mr. McCue mentioned that he was exploring the potential value of purchasing all street lighting in Hanson. There are programs that would make the purchase cost neutral over five years. Maintenance would be subcontracted out. He would report later if the project moves forward. He noted that there are approximately 300 lights in Hanson. Selectman Dyer noted such would also be in keeping with Hanson's energy reduction plan.

Mr. McCue spoke of working with a company named Clear Government to promulgate information about the Town on the web, but fully funded by the Commonwealth via Community Compact funds. He would send the Board a link to a draft website already created.

Mr. McCue reported that some interviews had taken place for Conservation Agent and Health Agent and others were going to take place shortly. Hanson is in competition with several other area towns for Health Agent, most of which that can offer a hire salary.

Mr. McCue reported that the October 26, 2018 tax title auction earned the Town \$131,500.

Mr. McCue noted that the Town received a complementary letter regarding the supportive adult daycare at the Senior Center and congratulated its staff.

Chairman Mitchell asked the status of the cell tower project, to which Mr. McCue reported he and a representative of the company would be meeting with the School Committee at its next meeting to seek its approval.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

200th Anniversary Committee – Selectman Fitzgerald Kemmett mentioned a logo contest with the schools. The ‘pop-up’ store will not go forward at the Extension Building, rather sales would be on-line and at events.

Energy Committee – Selectman Dyer indicated a meeting was likely in December.

Plymouth County Hospital Reuse Committee – Selectman Dyer noted there was a meeting tomorrow. Mr. McCue noted that the new design consulate would be in attendance at that meeting

Highway Building Committee – Chairman Mitchell – still awaiting conveyance of property.

Maquan School Reuse Committee – Selectman FitzGerald-Kemmett said the school would be officially shut November 2 and that surveys for reuse were posted online for participation.

Hanson School Repair Committee – Selectman Hickey – no recent meetings since the end of July

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: To adjourn. (Hickey/Dyer) 5:0 motion passes.

8:39 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael W. McCue
Approved and Voted 5 – 0
December 11, 2018