

***Hanson Board of Selectmen  
Selectmen's Meeting Room, Hanson Town Hall  
Tuesday, March 12, 2019  
Regular Meeting 7:00 P.M.***

***Members Present:*** Wesley Blauss, Matthew Dyer, James Hickey, Laura FitzGerald-Kemmett, and Kenny Mitchell

***Members Absent:***

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

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

**II     NEW BUSINESS** - Review proposed Warrant articles – Chairman Mitchell recommended reviewing the warrants articles at the next meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Mr. McCue reported that he will be meeting with the Town Accountant on Friday. Mr. McCue requested that the Board include an article for a \$500.00 stipend for employees in the Treasurer/Collector's office who have achieved a certification. There still needs to be negotiations on the matter.

***Vote to Close Warrants***

***MOTION*** by Blauss, second by FitzGerald-Kemmett to close the May 2019 Special and Annual Warrants. ***Voted 5 – 0***

***Sean Mahoney, SAI Communications – Update on Cell Town -*** Mr. Mahoney indicated that he has been working on the process from the outset. They are beginning the zoning process. They will conduct a balloon test when the weather gets better. He hopes to have all the votes in place and construction completed in the Fall. It takes 60 to 90 days for construction. Once construction starts, the rent begins. The Tower will be 150 feet, which is the standard height.

Verizon is the only carrier which has signed a lease. There is a second carrier interested in getting on board. There is a potential for four carriers. Once the tower is up, the carriers will come to them for space.

***Board of Health – Plastic Bag Ban discussion & Transfer Station update*** – Mr. Dyer indicated that he spoke with the Chairman of the Board of Health Arlene Dias who feels the by-law may be putting the cart before the horse. Mr. Dyer would like to have a hearing in the Spring and get the measure of the Town on both bags and polystyrene bans. Mr. Dyer is seeking support to hold forum the first week of April. Mr. Dyer was part of Marianne DiMascio's "Green Scene" Cable Access show with a guest from Marshfield. He has spoken with some of the retailers, who are aware the ban will be coming at some point. Chairman Dias asked why the Board of Selectmen wants to be responsible for plastic bag enforcement, when in other communities it is the Board of Health. She inquired whether there will be funding for education and enforcement. She was under the impression based on the last discussion that there was going to be a joint meeting between the Selectmen and Board of Health. She doesn't feel a few months is enough time for the two Boards to get together and sort the all that needs to

be accomplished. Mr. Dyer feels that the people who are affected are aware of the measure. By consensus, the Board of Health and Board of Selectmen will meet as soon as possible and try to move forward by Town Meeting. If all it not in place, the matter can be addressed in October.

Marianne DiMascio indicated that MassGreen.org has been working with many communities regarding the ban. Andrew Sedensky, a Reed Street resident, is concerned about plastic bags. He supports the ban and feels education is important. Mr. Dyer would like to implement in July of 2020.

***Vote to sign the Administrative Professionals Union Contract – Tabled***

***Accept February Donations*** – Chairman Mitchell read the following February donations:

2/11/2019	Mutual Bank	\$558.00	Police Gift Account
2/21/2019	Michael & Marjorie Moreau	\$20.00	Elder Affairs
2/27/2019	The Lippert Family	\$100.00	Fire Gift Account

***MOTION*** by FitzGerald-Kemmett, second by Hickey to accept the donations as presented.

***Voted 5 – 0***

***Award Commercial Brokerage & Consulting Service bid to KW Commercial*** – Mr. McCue reminded the Board over a month ago he issued a RFP for brokerage services. Only one firm submitted a response. Their fee would be paid by a company who would reuse the building. Mr. McCue included an article on the warrant for the removal of the building in the event no one responds to the reuse of the building.

***MOTION*** by Hickey, second by Dyer to award the Commercial Brokerage & Consulting Service bid to KW Commercial. ***Voted 5 – 0***

***Appointments/Resignation:***

Veterans Service officer – Timothy White – Term Expires 3/31/20  
Veterans Service Director – Timothy White – Term Expires 3/31/20  
Veterans Graves Officer – Timothy White – Term Expires 3/31/20  
Veterans Burial Officer – Timothy White – Term Expires 3/31/20

***MOTION*** by FitzGerald-Kemmett second by Dyer to re-appoint Timothy White as the Veterans Service Officer, Veterans Service Director, Veterans Graves officer and Veterans Burial Officers with a term to expires March 31, 2020. ***Voted 5 – 0***

***200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee –***

***MOTION*** by FitzGerald-Kemmett, second by Hickey to appoint Alex Stewart to the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Term to expire 12/31/20 ***Voted 5 – 0***

***Requests:***

***Cub Scout Fishing Derby – Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 7 – 10 a.m.*** at Wampatuck Pond –  
**Tabled** Mrs. Marini explained the group is considering a different date.

**III     OLD BUSINESS**

***Award bid for the County Road/Liberty Street Complete Streets Project*** – Mr. McCue reported the project is moving along. Four bids were received. IW Harding was the low bidder. Environmental Partners did all the requisite checks on the Contractor and Mr. McCue has also worked with IW Harding. Environmental Partners will oversee the construction project.

***MOTION*** by Dyer, second by Hickey to award the County Road/Liberty Street complete streets project to IW Harding in the amount of \$471,314.00. ***Voted 5 – 0***

**IV     TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

***Declared Snow Emergency*** in accordance with Ch.44, Sec 31D – Chairman Mitchell explained that as a result of the Municipal Modernization Act, the Town Administrator is authorized to declare a snow and ice emergency and deficit spending. Chairman Mitchell reviewed the budget which is \$300,000. The salt purchase to date is \$84,370.00 As of March 7<sup>th</sup> there has been 162 hours of sanding. Highway does not have the proper manpower to cover all the sanding, so they have to outsource the work.

Highway Supervisor David Hanlon explained that the 10 year budget average is \$301,000. The Town is within the ballpark. Currently the budget is \$75,000 over, which is lower than within the range. They are only using salt and sand and no chemicals. Highway has been out over 400 hours. They average 4,000 tons of salt per year. It is all about public safety and keeping the roads safe.

***Updated on 16 Liberty Street*** - Mr. McCue reported that DEP will be giving its final approval for the removal of the debris pile at JJ’s Pub by the beginning of next week.

Route 14 Reconstruction Project has been reviewed with Mass DOT. Some changes maybe made and Environmental Partner will attend an upcoming meeting in the near future.

Mr. McCue will be meeting with National Grid on Thursday regarding Street Lights and National Grid retrofitting the lights. He will also discuss the Green Communities Grant projects.

National Grid will provide a tree and planting for Arbor Day. Mr. McCue has secured a location at the Library for the Arbor Day ceremony and planting.

Budget – Mr. McCue reported there is still a gap. The school committee set a rate that the Town cannot match. He will be meeting with Whitman, School Committee members and the Town Accountants. No decision can be made on the warrant articles until the budget is resolved.

Mr. McCue informed the Board that on April 2<sup>nd</sup> there will be a Key Ceremony at the Skarinkas home on State Street which was constructed by Jared Allen Homes for Wounded Warriors. He will forward additional information as it comes in.

**V      APPROVE MINUTES**  
February 26, 2019

**MOTION** by Blauss second by Dyer to approve the minutes of February 26<sup>th</sup> as presented.  
***Voted 5 – 0***

**VI      ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSES** – Camp Kiwanee  
Tanya Mills, Hanson, Sun., March 24<sup>th</sup> – SURPRISE 80<sup>th</sup> birthday

**MOTION** by FitzGerald-Kemmett second by Hickey to approve the one day liquor license as presented. ***Voted 5 – 0***

**VII     COMMITTEE REPORTS**

***200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee*** – Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett – A lot going on. Mr. Blauss and Mr. Hickey attended the meeting. Mr. Blauss suggested a calendar fundraiser. The committee is setting some dates and movement on events. She suggested having an update from the Committee Chairman after Town Meeting.

***Final Plymouth County Hospital Reuse Comm.*** – Mr. Dyer – Meeting next Monday

***Maquan School Reuse Committee*** – Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett – Already discussed.

***Hanson School Repair Committee*** – Mr. Blauss – The Committee is reorganizing Need three more committee members.

**VIII    ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION** by Dyer second by FitzGerald-Kemmett to adjourn. ***Voted 5 – 0***

**8:12 p.m. – Meeting Adjourned**

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Marini,  
*Executive Assistant*  
***Approved and Voted 5 – 0***  
***March 26, 2019***