

***Hanson Board of Selectmen
Selectmen's Meeting Room, Hanson Town Hall
Tuesday, July 23, 2019
Regular Session 7:00 P.M.***

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

Members Absent:

Others Present: Kate Feodoroff, Town Counsel

7:00 p.m. Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett called the meeting to order and requested Scout Matt Avery lead the Pledge of Allegiance. She thanked several town employees to extending hours at the Library and at Cranberry Cove during the heat wave over the previous weekend. Clerk Blauss read the Public Announcements and Upcoming meetings.

II NEW BUSINESS

Matt Avery to discuss Eagle Scout Project proposal- Matt Avery was present and requested the Board's support for his Eagle Scout project of upgrading the Hancock Ballfield which has been dedicated to his Great Uncle Army Sergeant James Red Harrington. He will repair the fences around the field. He will weed the infield and install infield mix. He will pick up the trash. He will be holding a car wash as well as a bottle and can drive for fundraising. The project will cost over \$600.00. He expects to have the project completed by the end of October.

MOTION by Hickey, second by Dyer to approve Matt Avery's Eagle Scout Project. ***Voted 5 - 0***

Discussion and vote on Community Host Agreement with Impressed, LLC for Marijuana Cultivator facility at 15 Commercial Way, Hanson, MA - Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett read the following statement:

“On our agenda tonight is a continued discussion of the host community agreement with Impressed LLC they are the company proposing to locate a marijuana cultivation facility in the Hanson Industrial park. Hanson originally voted by a vote of 51 to 49% in favor of the Statewide legalization of marijuana. Since that date there have been several town meeting and ballot votes regarding marijuana related businesses in Hanson, where the voters of Hanson have had an opportunity to let the Board of Selectmen know their wishes with respect to marijuana related businesses. At this point in time, our current bylaws ban the sale of retail marijuana in Hanson but allow other non-retail marijuana establishments such as cultivation and medical marijuana sales businesses to locate in the zone that includes the Hanson Industrial Park. In order to receive a license to operate in Hanson, Impressed LLC must meet all the applicable local regulations in addition to applicable Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission regulations, or CCC. One of the CCC requirements is the execution of a Host Community Agreement which is a contract negotiated between a municipality and a marijuana establishment that includes all terms necessary for the marijuana establishment to operate in the municipality. This Board takes it role as the licensing authority seriously. It is our job tonight to determine whether the draft Host Community Agreement is acceptable to us and whether it is in the best interest of the town to agree to enter into this agreement with Impressed LLC. Since learning that Impressed LLC wanted to locate in Hanson, our attorney has been in contact with their attorney for the purposes

of creating a draft Host Community Agreement. During that time, Impressed LLC has held several public outreach meetings to solicit public feedback and to answer the public's questions. In addition, Impressed LLC and their attorney and engineer attended our July 9 Board of Selectmen's meeting to answer questions from the Board and from the general public. The Draft Host Community Agreement we are voting on tonight represents the fruits of the discussions our attorney had with their counsel and incorporates the changes that were requested at our July 9th meeting. And while I am not going to read the Agreement in its entirety, I thought there were a few key provisions that were worth noting. Specifically, the Agreement specifically spells out the areas this board and the general public found most considering such as odor mitigation and water conservation. It provides for the ways in which they must be addressed. Further, the agreement expressly provides for the Board's approval of the license in the event of a transfer of sale of ownership. It also stipulates that Impressed LLC will pay an impact fee of 3% for the first five years and that they may not apply for a non-profit status or agricultural exemption in order to avoid paying the 3%. And lastly, the Agreement provides for the Town of Hanson to hire an independent third party at Impressed LLC's cost for the purpose of peer reviewing the plans for Impressed LLC cultivation facility. Certainly this is not all this agreement encompasses, but those are the key points. The purpose of our discussion tonight is to answer any remaining questions the Board may have relevant to the Host Community Agreement and to discuss any additional areas of concern that we may want have included in the Host Community Agreement. After we have heard from the applicant and have had the Board's questions answered it is my intention to open up a Q&A for those in attendance."

Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett turned the meeting over to Town Counsel Kate Feodoroff who explained that she revised the agreement from last week based on the Selectmen's revisions, which included Impressed LLC will have to check in the Board after one year. The Board is comfortable with the revised agreement. The representatives of Impressed LLC agreed with all the terms suggested and are satisfied with the revision. Attorney Feodoroff noted that the revised agreement has been distributed and was available on the website for the public to view. There were no questions from the Board or the audience. Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett thanked Impressed LLC for their responsiveness.

MOTION by Hickey, second by Dyer to enter into the Host Community Agreement with Impressed, LLC. **Voted 5 – 0**

Kaival Inc, D/B/A Richdale Market 12 Monponsett Street - Request to Change of DBA to Hanson Market & Liquors – Mr. Patel was present and requested the Board approve the change of DBA.

MOTION by Dyer, second by Mitchell to approve the Change of D/B/A from Richdale Market to Hanson Market & Liquors. **Voted 5 – 0**

Town Accountant Update – Mr. Hassett was unable to attend. Tabled until August 20th.

Discussion regarding Facilities Management - Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett informed the Board that she and Mrs. Marini had a discussion with the Town Accountant as to how the Town is handling the town buildings and fields. He had suggested considering a department for facilities using the staff from Town Hall, Library and Senior Center. We can't expect the

department heads to be in charge of their buildings. The Facilities Manager position would change from a part-time to a full-time position. He suggested folding the budget lines from the other departments Police, Library, Senior Center and Town Hall. Possibly folding in the school building repair committee. Mr. Blauss inquired how this is different from the former part-time facility manager. Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett noted it would be an employee. The position is currently in the Wage & Personnel by-law. Mr. Hassett will run the numbers.

Discussion regarding Capital Improvement Committee – Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett indicated that some members of Capital Improvement Committee aren't comfortable with their roles and direction. All the department heads are not sitting down with CIC in order to prioritize. She would like a more formalized meeting with the Departments in order to work together as a team to prioritize. She wants to help the CIC. When speaking with Mr. Hassett, he explained how other communities handle their Capital Committees. She doesn't want to change the composition of the committee just the process.

Open October Special Town Meeting Warrant – Articles due August 16th

MOTION by Dyer second by Mitchell to open the October Special Town Meeting warrant.
Voted 5 – 0

Approve & Vote to Authorize Town Administrator to sign Gowrie Agreement - Mrs. Marini explained that the agreement provides for assistance with injured on duties claims for police and fire department staff.

MOTION by Hickey, second by Mitchell to authorize Mrs. Marini to sign the agreement with Gowrie Group. ***Vote 5 – 0***

Vote to set fee for Electric Vehicle Charger – Mrs. Marini explained the research of the fees and that the stations are now operational. Mr. Dyer indicated that MIT charges \$1.50. The networking fee is setting the location of the charging station. Mr. Hickey would like to consider increasing the fee to \$2.50 in a year. Mr. Dyer believes you only have to pay fee for the advertising. There are a few different models for charging a fee. The Board would like to revisit the fees and costs next year.

MOTION by Blauss, second by Hickey to set the fee at \$1.50 per hour per charge. ***Voted 5 – 0***

Vote to Accept donations from Hanson in the amount of \$841.00 – Mrs. Marini indicated that due to the number of donations, the list of donors is available in the Board of Selectmen's office.

MOTION by Mitchell, second by Dyer to accept the donations from Hanson Day in the amount of \$841.00. ***Voted 5 – 0***

Appointments/Resignations

Resignation – Betty Ciccarelli – Cultural Council

MOTION by Blauss, second by Mitchell to accept with regret the resignation of Betty Ciccarelli.
Voted 5 - 0

Appointment – Bill Boyle as the Records Access Officer for Recreation
Meredith Marini Town Records Access officer

MOTION by Blauss, second by Hickey to appoint Bill Boyle as Records Access Officer for Recreation. **Voted 5 – 0**

MOTION by Dyer, second by Hickey to appoint Meredith Marini as the Town's Records Access Officer. **Voted 5 - 0**

Requests:

Hanson Historical Society – Request for Waiver of Fees – Annual Dinner 5/7/20

MOTION by Blauss, second by Hickey to approve the waiver of fee for the Hanson Historical Society. **Voted 5 – 0**

Fire Department – Declare 2006 Ford Pick up VIN 1FDWF31566EA59629 as surplus for use by Highway Department

MOTION by Dyer, second by Hickey to surplus the 2006 Ford Pick to be transferred to the Highway Department. **Voted 5 - 0**

III OLD BUSINESS

Discuss School Building Repair membership - Table Aug 20th.

IV TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mrs. Marini provided an update highlighting her activities.

BOS Executive Assistant - Several applications have been received – deadline is Friday, July 26th

Conflict of Interest/Open Meeting Law Training July 16th 4:00 & 7:00 - Good turnout for both sessions. The handouts and the video of the evening session are on the website. An e-mail to all departments and committees requesting members to view the video and send confirmation to the Town Administrator that they have done so.

Indian Head School Window repair – The windows were ordered the Monday following the vandalism. There is a hold up at the manufacturer for the windows and are now expected to arrive this Friday, with installation scheduled for next Wednesday. During repairs at Indian Head, a sprinkler head was accidentally hit. It was repaired immediately with minimal water damage.

Town Hall Generator – Waiting for the gas company to complete their work. Fence companies have been out to view the location and provide quotes.

Town Hall Key Card access – IT Director and Mrs. Marini had a brief training which highlighted needed adjustments to the program. Once the adjustments are made, the IT Director will code all the fobs.

Fiber Network – Mr. McGonigle has received the quotes for the project which will loop the Fire Station, Town Hall, Highway, Library/Senior Center, Camp Kiwanee and the Police Station. Funds that had been appropriated at a prior Town Meeting for Camp Kiwanee will be used to connect the Camp. There will be an article at the October STM for an additional \$11,000 to be added to the Camp funds. The Library/Senior Center will not go live as there are some wiring upgrades which are needed. There will be a drop a Highway which may or may not be connected depending on the status of the building. Mr. McGonigle has accommodated for a connection at Hawks Ave. Once the funds are appropriated in October, the project can commence.

Tracking Software – Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett, the IT Director and Mrs. Marini were prepared for a demo of the tracking software, but it was cancelled. Mr. McGonigle and I will be viewing the demo on Thursday, which provides for online reports for highway issues. There are other components for maintenance and IT tracking. The Town Planner has set up two demos for permitting software. We are currently using two different vendors. The Planner is seeking grants.

Complete Streets – Still not ready to move forward. We've been waiting for a Right of Entry with Dunkin Donuts and contract resolution with the contractor. The project was supposed to be completed by June 30th. The Town was granted an extension to December 31st.

Police Officers – Chief Miksch has requested funding at the October STM for two officers to start after January 1st in order to prepare for Dispatch moving to ROCC. Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett would like further discussion with other options and cost analysis as well as pros and cons.

Economic Develop Report will be in by end of the week.

JJ's is all cleaned up. DEP has approved removal of all debris. The only remaining item is an old freezer unit but it is not hazardous.

Cell Tower – There will be a hearing with the ZBA on August 6th. The Town received notice from T-Mobile as a co-locator on the Tower.

V ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSES – Camp Kiwanee

Rachel Button, Middleboro, Fri., Aug. 2nd 5:00 – 11:00 p.m. – Wedding
Katie Sheehan, Hanson, Sat., Aug. 4th, 5:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Wedding
Marylou's News, Hingham, Thurs., Aug. 8th, 11:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Workshop
Leanne Malfa, Pembroke, Fri., Aug. 9th, 7:00 – 11:00 p.m. - Birthday
Michael Travers, Hanson, Sat. Aug. 10th 12:00 – 5:00 p.m. – Reunion
Bill Fuller The Bartending Service, Middleboro Fri., Aug. 16th 6:00 – 10:00 - Concert
Sarah Yeager, Coronado CA, Sat., Aug. 17th 12:00 – 4:00 p.m. – Shower
Gail Fusco, Hanson, Fri., Aug. 23rd 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. Dance Fundraiser
Samantha Andreson, Kingston, Sat., Aug. 24th 4:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Wedding
Bridgewater Pediatrics, Bridgewater, Sun., Aug. 25th 1:00 – 5:00 – Outing
Tracie Marshall, Hanson, Sat. Aug. 31st 4:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Wedding

MOTION by Dyer, second by Mitchell to approve the one day liquor licenses as presented .
Voted 5 - 0

VI COMMITTEE REPORTS

200th Anniversary Committee – Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett reminded the Board of the Dinner Thursday, proceeds will defray the cost of the 2020 events. The committee is attempting to keep all the 2020 events free or at very low costs. A speaker from the Wampanoag will make a presentation at the Dinner. Several other events coming up.

Final Plymouth County Hospital Reuse Comm. – Mr. Dyer reported there will be a meeting next week.

Maquan School Reuse Committee – Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett indicated they are waiting on Keller Williams. She, Mrs. Marini, the Planner and Building Commission had a discussion with Keller Williams to insure everyone is on the same page and holding them accountable for meeting deadlines.

Hanson School Repair Committee – Nothing
Highway Building Committee – Nothing

Library Trustee Corrine Cafardo inquired about a warming center and the process to get it open. Chairman FitzGerald-Kemmett explained that the Fire Chief as the Emergency Preparedness Director officially opens a warming center. They like to have the warming center in a building which has a back up generator that's why they go to the school.

VII ADJOURNMENT

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

8:08 p.m. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Marini,
Town Administrator
Voted and Approved 4 – 0
August 20, 2019