

**Town of Hanson**  
**542 Liberty Street, Hanson, MA 02341**

## **Selectmen's Minutes 2-3-15**

*Town of Hanson - Board of Selectmen*  
*Meeting Minutes – Hanson Town Hall*  
*February 3, 2015*

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

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:** Town Administrator Ronald San Angelo  
Executive Assistant Meredith Marini

**7:00 p.m.** Chairman Young called the meeting to order, led the Pledge Allegiance. Chairman Young read the announcements and upcoming meeting schedule.

### **II TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. San Angelo announced Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> will be the first meeting of Hanson Day for 2015. He invited businesses and civic organizations to attend.

Mr. San Angelo requested that residents have patience with respect to the snow removal. Due to the large amount of snow, with other storms in the forecast, snow removal has been on going.

### **III NEW BUSINESS**

***Class II License Renewal*** – Upscale Auto 169A Franklin Street – 20 cars

Mr. Curran recommends approval of the license pending his inspection of the property.

**MOTION** by Howard, second by McGahan to approve the renewal pending approval by the Building Inspector **Voted 5 – 0**

***Review/Approve Card Credit policy*** – Mr. San Angelo explained that he has been working with the Treasurer and Town Accountant to develop the policy to ensure the credit cards are not open without the authority of the Town and misuse of the tax exempt number.

Mr. San Angelo explained that there are several charges accounts for various stores such as CVS, Home Depot, Lowes, Shaws. The policy requires that applications for credit be made by the Treasurer/Collector. No personal purchases may be made on a town charge account. The Department must pre-approve all purchases.

Mr. McGahan recommended that a limit be placed on the accounts. By consensus the Board agreed to a \$5,000.00 limit.

**MOTION** by Howard, second by McGahan to approve the credit card policy with a limit of \$5,000.00. **Voted 5 – 0**

***Declare Snow Emergency in accordance with Ch. 44, Section 31D*** – Mr. San Angelo informed that Board that the Highway Department has already exhausted the \$170,000 snow and ice budget. He recommended that the Board approve an additional \$300,000 for the snow and ice budget.

**MOTION** by Howard, second McGahan to allow the highway department to deficit spend an additional \$300,000 in

accordance with Chapter 44, Section 31D. Additional funds will need to be approved by the Board and Finance Committee. **Voted 5 – 0**

**Resignation:** David Nagle from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Chairman Young read the following letter from David Nagle dated January 15, 2015 to the Town Clerk.

*Dear Ms. Sloan:*

*It is with much regret that I tender this notice of resignation as a member of the Hanson Zoning Board of Appeals. The decision to step down was difficult for me, as I have thoroughly enjoyed my tenure on the Board. However, my obligations related to my law practice and to my family are such that I cannot commit the time required to effectively serve as a board member going forward.*

*In making my resignation, I would like to formally thank Virginia Costley for her hard work and dedication to the Board. She is an indispensable employee and a true asset to the Board. It has been my pleasure to have come to know her and to serve with her on the Board.*

*Very truly yours,  
David G. Nagle, Jr.*

Mr. Howard noted that Mr. Nagle also served on the Planning Board and will be sorely missed.

**MOTION** by Howard, second by McGahan to accept with regret the resignation of David Nagle from the Zoning Board of Appeals. **Voted 5 – 0**

#### **IV OLD BUSINESS**

Vote Comcast Cable License Renewal - **Tabled**

**Transfer Station Hours** – Mr. San Angelo reported that the Board of Health voted to open on Sunday. Mr. San Angelo noted that the Sunday openings will be contingent upon the approval of an additional full time employee and the union approving Sunday openings. The openings would be open effective July 1, 2015. Mr. Angelo noted there will be a six month review period.

**MOTION** by Howard, second by Mitchell to support the Sunday openings authorize the Town Administrator to negotiate with the Union for discussion.

Mr. McGahan is not comfortable having people work on Sunday. Mr. San Angelo indicated that it was the employees who suggested opening on Sunday. They would like to have two days off together.

Mr. Howard suggested that Mr. San Angelo call Hanover and see how Sunday openings are organized at the Hanover Transfer Station.

Mr. San Angelo recommends a trial period in order to work with the hauling vendors to be sure the containers are emptied in a timely manner.

Mr. Scott noted that when he was on the Board of Health they discussed Sunday openings and he supports the Sunday openings.

**Moved to the Vote 5 – 0**

#### **V COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Indian Head & Maquan School Priority Repair Committee** - Mr. Young noted they will be meeting on Thursday. A report to follow at the next meeting.

**Monponsett Pond committee** – Mr. Howard reported that all meetings have been postponed.

**Whitman Hanson Facilities Committee** – Mr. McGahan indicated the next meeting is Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the High School Library. They are looking to get the windows at Maquan and the gymnasium roof.

#### **VI ADJOURNMENT**

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

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Marini,  
*Executive Assistant*  
***Approved and Voted 5 – 0 as amended***  
***September 15, 2015***