

***Hanson Board of Selectmen  
Selectmen's Meeting Room, Hanson Town Hall  
Thursday, March 15, 2018  
Regular Meeting 7:00 P.M.***

**Members Present:** James McGahan, Kenny Mitchell, Donald Howard, James Hickey and Laura Fitzgerald-Kemmett

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:** Town Administrator Michael McCue

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

Vice Chairman Mitchell recognized the work of Hanson's Police, Fire, Highway and Water Departments during the recent series of weather events. Other members of the Board and Mr. McCue echoed his remarks.

**Recreation Director – Joshua Wolff**

Chairman McGahan recognized Mr. Joshua Wolff, the newly hired Recreation Director, and summarized his experience. Mr. McCue noted his start date of March 19. Mr. Wolff thanked the Board for the opportunity.

**Discussion regarding Street/Private Road Acceptance**

Chairman McGahan recognized Planning Board Vice Chairman Joseph Campbell and member Don Ellis. Additionally he recognized Town Counsel Kate Feodoroff. Mr. McCue noted that Mr. Campbell had offered augmentation to the current Street Acceptance policy.

Mr. Campbell summarized the reasons for the proposed changes and the process, and expressed his hope that some version of these changes could be adopted. He mentioned concerns over accepting private ways that would cost the Town substantial expense to get up to code. It was also noted that these changes would standardize the acceptance process regardless of locations or politics.

Mr. Ellis noted that there have been issues with developers of subdivisions not following through on requirements and walking away from unfinished roads. The Town and the residents on the road are the ones who suffer.

Attorney Feodoroff noted that regardless of the way a private way is proposed for acceptance, such as a successful petitioned article, the Board of Selectmen has the power not to hold a layout hearing. Such a hearing is required for legal acceptance of a

road. Attorney Feodoroff voiced concerns about the cost mechanisms of the policy of residents, especially costs pertaining to bringing a road up to standards. She discussed the various ways that funds could be held from a developer. The Planning Board has certain standing to estimate the cost of construction and assess a bond amount. She will review the proposed language and offer recommendations.

Selectman Howard spoke of the need for coordination with other departments as well before permits are given to insure all necessary infrastructure is in place.

Mr. McCue explained that as a policy change Town Meeting vote is not required. Selectmen thanked the members of the Planning Board for their efforts and pledged to work with them and Town Counsel in moving towards an agreeable new policy.

### **Discussion regarding Town Planner Position**

Mr. McCue explained that in discussions with the Planning Board he is looking at creating a Community Development position to assume the duties of Town Planner primarily, but also duties in Economic Development and grant writing when planning work is slow. He and the Planning Board are working on a job description and appropriate salary. Chairman McGahan noted his satisfaction with duties that included support to the ZBA. The Board offered some suggestion in regards to the job duties.

Planning Board Chairman Joseph Weeks offered his support of the effort and commented on the collegiality of the process. Planning Board members lauded the current work of the interim Town Planner.

### **Discussion and Review of Earth Removal By-law and proposed Storage By-law**

Chairman McGahan noted that the Earth Removal By-law authorizes the Board of Selectmen and the Police Department as enforcement agents. He noted it wasn't practical for the enforcement to rest solely there. The appointment of the Building Inspector was discussed. Conditions of the issuance of a permit could contain detailed requirements.

Chairman McGahan expressed his interest in moving forward in this meeting of voting such authorization.

**Motion:** To authorize the Hanson Building Inspector to act as enforcement agent for the Earth Removal permits. (Kemmett/Howard) 4:1 (Mitchell opposed) motion passes.

Mr. McCue will investigate a possible alternate as well.

Mr. McCue reviewed the stratus of the proposed Storage By-law. Question remained on the amount of materials that should be subject to the bylaw. Mr. McCue asked if the Board was in favor of supporting the bylaw versus requiring the citizen interested in the bylaw to follow the petition route. The Board asked that Attorney Feodoroff review the bylaw and suggested changes in keeping with the Board's comments.

**Motion:** To sponsor placing the Storage By-law article on the Annual Town Meeting warrant with potential Board of Selectmen support considered when wording is finalized. (Kemmett/Howard) 5:0 – Motion passes.

### **Update from 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee**

Mr. Josh Singer provided the Board an update of the progress of the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee. Fundraising, promotion and planning are all in process. He highlighted several planned events. The Board thanked Mr. Singer and the Committee for their current and future efforts. The Board and Mr. McCue mentioned they would look to see if funds were available to place a funding article on the upcoming Town Meeting.

Two residents in the audience asked about the conversation and agenda items regarding earth removal and bulk storage. Mr. McCue referred them to the Building Inspector.

### **Vote to approve an Extension to South Shore Recycling Intermunicipal Agreement**

Mr. McCue asked the Board to renew for a five-year term the South Shore Recycling Intermunicipal Agreement.

**Motion:** To renew for a five-year term the South Shore Recycling Intermunicipal Agreement. (Howard/Mitchell) 5:0 – Motion passes.

### **Vote and sign Title V loan documents**

Chairman McGahan read the following motion:

- (1) that the Town shall issue a bond or bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$500,000 (the "Bonds") pursuant to Chapters 29C and 111 of the General Laws and a vote of the Town passed May 1, 2017, (Article 30), which authorized a total borrowing of \$500,000, for a community septic management loan program (the "Project");
- (2) that in anticipation of the issuance of the Bonds the Treasurer is authorized to issue an interim loan note or notes (the "Notes") from time to time in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$500,000;

- (3) that each Bond or Note shall be issued as a single registered security, and sold to the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust (the "Trust") at a price determined pursuant to the Financing Agreement;
- (4) that the Treasurer is authorized to determine the date, the form, the maximum interest rate and the principal maturities of each Bond and Note, and to execute a Financing Agreement or Agreements with the Trust with respect to the sale of the Bonds and Notes, such date, form and maturities and the specific interest rate or rates of the Bonds and Notes to be approved by a majority of the Board of Selectmen and the Treasurer and evidenced by their execution of the Bonds or Notes;
- (5) that all action taken to date by the Town and its officers and agents to carry out the Project and its financing, including the execution of any loan agreement by the Treasurer, are hereby ratified, approved and confirmed; and
- (6) that the Treasurer and the other appropriate Town officials are each hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of this vote, including execution and delivery of the Financing Agreement or Agreements and the Project Approval Certificate and Regulatory Agreement or Agreements relating to the Project.

**Motion:** To approve the Title V loan as read. (Mitchell/Hickey) 5:0 – Motion passes.

### **Appointments/Resignation**

**Motion:** To reappoint Donna Spencer to the Board of Registrars to a term to expire March 31, 2021. (Howard/Mitchell) 5:0 – Motion passes.

**Motion:** To accept the resignation of Carol Connelly from 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee with regret. (Howard/Mitchell) 5:0 – Motion passes.

### **Requests**

Mr. Matt Dyer detailed the Green Hanson Annual Green Up Clean Up Day

**Motion:** To allow Green Hanson to use Town Hall Green for Annual Green Up Clean Up on April 21, 2018. (Howard/Mitchell) 5:0 – Motion passes.

Mr. McCue mentioned that Green Hanson and Rotary will be providing a tree to plant at Town Hall for Arbor Day this year.

**Motion:** To allow Hanson Little League to use Town Hall Green for Opening Day Parade on April 7, 2018. (Fitzgerald-Kemmett/Mitchell) 5:0 – Motion passes.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Update on the Mayflower Municipal Health budget**

Mr. McCue reported MMGH voted an increase of 6.5%, which is a reasonable amount which is beneficial to both the Town and the Schools. The Group's current financial standing is strong.

## **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. McCue repeated his praise of all departments' efforts in recent storm events.

Mr. McCue announced that Town Planner Deb Pettey secured a grant of \$7,500 from OCPC for assistance in energy reduction programs.

The Conway Group will visit for a kick off meeting for its effort on planning at Plymouth County Hospital on April 17, 2018.

A contract will be entered into with Lakeville for the sheltering of stray and unclaimed dogs.

A meeting was conducted with department heads to review the history of cell tower projects. A location was identified and agreed to by all as the less controversial. Mr. McCue will disclose the location after he follows up with a consultant with which he has been working. Some zoning bylaws may need to be edited.

Mr. McCue mentioned that he will be making a suggestion to the Board on a Facilities Manager in the upcoming weeks.

The Board asked about any outstanding capital requests, to include a proposed wood chipper.

## **ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSES**

- Valerie Moore, Brockton, Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup> 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Birthday Party
- Rockland Lions Club, Rockland – Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup> – 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

- Laura Perkins, Hanson – Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> 12:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Anniversary Party

**MOTION :** To approve the one day liquor licenses as presented. (Howard/Fitzgerald-Kemmett) 5:0 – Motion passes.

### **APPROVE MEETING MINUTES**

**MOTION :** To approve the regular session minutes of April 4, 2017 (Howard/Mitchell) 3:0:2 – Motion Passes (Hickey and Fitzgerald-Kemmett abstain).

**MOTION :** To approve the regular session minutes of April 25, 2017 (Howard/Mitchell) 3:0:2 – Motion Passes (Hickey and Fitzgerald-Kemmett abstain).

**MOTION:** To approve the regular session minutes of February 13, 2018 (Howard/Mitchell) 5:0 – Motion Passes

**MOTION:** To approve the regular session minutes of February 27, 2018 (Howard/Mitchell) 5:0 – Motion Passes

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### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee – Selectman Fitzgerald-Kemmett deferred to the previous agenda item.

Monponsett Pond Committee – Selectman Howard had no updates

Final Plymouth County Hospital Reuse Comm. – Selectman Howard had no updates

Maquan School Reuse Committee – Selectman Fitzgerald-Kemmett mentioned there is an applicant for the committee for the next meeting.

Hanson School Repair Committee – Selectman Hickey reported a meeting will be held next week.

Mr. McCue noted that the reasons for the scheduled Executive Session no longer existed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** To adjourn (Howard/Mitchell). 5:0 – Motion Passes.

**9:36 p.m. Meeting adjourned.**

Submitted by,

Michael McCue  
Town Administrator

*Approved and Voted 4-0  
April 3, 2018*