

***Hanson Board of Selectmen
Selectmen's Meeting Room, Hanson Town Hall
Tuesday, June 13, 2017
Regular Meeting 7:00 P.M.***

Members Present: Donald Howard, Laura FitzGerald-Kemmett, James McGahan,
Kenny Mitchell & James Hickey

Members Absent:

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

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

II NEW BUSINESS

Appointments/Resignations –

Board of Health Records Access Officer – Matt Tanis – Mr. McCue introduced Health Agent Matthew Tanis. Mr. McCue reported Mr. Tanis has previously worked for the Town. He had served as the Health Agent four years ago. He welcomed Mr. Tanis back to Town.

MOTION by Howard, second by FitzGerald-Kemmett to appoint Matt Tanis as the Board of Health Records Access Office. ***Voted 5 – 0***

Old Colony Elder Services Representative Board of Directors– Mary Collins – Mrs. Marini indicated this is an annual appointment.

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to appoint Mary Collins as the Town's representative to the Old Colony Elder Services Board of Directors. ***Voted 5 – 0***

200th Anniversary – Selectmen's Representative – Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett volunteered to be the Board's representative on the committee.

MOTION by Hickey, second by Mitchell to appoint Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett to the 200th Anniversary Committee. Term to expire 12/31/20 ***Voted 5 – 0***

Education Fund Committee – Gary Banuk 324 Holmes Street – Term to expire 6/30/20 – Mr. McCue informed the Board that the committee has been inactive. The Committee was created at Town Meeting in accordance with State Statute Chapter 60, section 3C. The committee is comprised for 4 members and the School Superintendent.

MOTION by Howard second by Mitchell to appoint Mr. Banuk to the Education Fund Committee term to expires 6/30/20. ***Voted 5 – 0***

Disabilities Committee – Michele Mills 191 Capt. Nathaniel Drive – Term to Expire June 30, 2020 – Mr. McCue indicated that the Committee would review the compliance

requirements in the community. Mrs. Marini indicated that the October Special Town meeting voted to create the Disabilities Committee. The Committee shall be comprised of at least 5 members with the majority having a disability, one member with disabilities, one family member of a person with disabilities and one elected official of the community.

Mrs. Mills indicated that she was on the Disabilities Committee in Cohasset and served for several years. Their Committee assisted Scituate in acquiring a handicapped van.

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to appoint Michele Mills to the Disabilities Committee with a term to expire June 30, 2020. **Voted 5 – 0**

Recreation: One position - Term to Expire June 30, 2018
Candidates: Theresa Cocio 1211 Whitman Street
James Flanagan 43 Baker Street

MOTION by Hickey, second by FitzGerald-Kemmett to table the appointment to get additional and different volunteers.

Brief discussion regarding tabling the appointment. Ms. FitzGerald-Kemmett asked if delaying of the appointment would create a problem. Recreation Chairman Annmarie Bouzan indicated the group is trying to get back on track. She also noted that Mrs. Cocio had initially applied when the new Commission was appointed. Chairman McGahan noted that Ms. Cocio was a Union Steward to which the Administrative Assistant is a member which was a cause for concern for some members. Mrs. Cocio indicated that she would step down as the Union Steward. She would, however, remain on the negotiating committee.

Mr. Flanagan indicated that he wanted to throw his hat in for consideration. Chairman McGahan explained his position on appointing Mr. Flanagan to the Recreation, noting Mr. Flanagan was part of the Camp Kiwanee investigation report.

Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett withdrew her second.

No other second, motion did not carry.

MOTION by Mitchell, second by FitzGerald-Kemmett to appoint Theresa Cocio to the Recreation Commission contingent upon Ms. Cocio's resignation as Union Steward. Term to expire 6/30/18. **Voted 4 – 0 – 1 (Hickey)**

Mr. Jim Flanagan withdrew his application for appointment.

Requests:

Calvary Baptist Church – Concert on the Green Saturday, June 17th 4 – 6 p.m.

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to approve a concert sponsored by the Calvary Baptist Church on the Town Hall Green on Saturday, June 17th from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Voted 5 – 0**

Mr. Banuk arrived and thanked the Board for the appointment. He feels that the residents would like to see the funds spent by Hanson residents.

Discussion regarding Memorial Field Trustees –

Chairman McGahan reviewed the notice provided by the Town Clerk which indicated Michael Josselyn was the only remaining member of the five-member elected committee. Mr. Josselyn's term is set to expire May 2018. At the recent annual town election, Robert O'Brien of 1003 Monponsett Street had received the most votes for the 2 year term expiring in 2019 and Mark Gomes of 113 Andrew Lane received the most votes for the three year term expiring 2020. There were no winners for the second three year term. Mr. Josselyn and Mr. O'Brien have expressed interest in serving as appointed members of the Memorial Field Trustees.

MOTION by Mitchell, second by Howard to appoint Michael Josselyn, Robert O'Brien, and Mark Gomes to the Memorial Field Trustees Terms to expire June 30, 2018, June 30, 2019 and June 30, 2020 respectfully.

Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett inquired about the utility of having separate committees serving the duties. Mr. McCue noted that he would research the committee assignment.

Voted 4 – 0 - 1 Hickey

Mr. Hickey indicated he was not in favor of appointing Mr. Gomes until Mr. Gomes acknowledged his interest in serving.

Set Meeting Dates July – December - By consensus the Board agreed to set the meeting dates through December as follows: July 11 & 25, August 15 & 29, September 12, 19, & 26, Oct. 2 & 3 Town Meeting, 17 & 24, November 14 & 28 and December 12 & 19.

Updated on the Rt. 14/Maquan Street project

Jim Fitzgerald of Environmental Partners presented a Power Point presentation for the Rt. 14 Maquan Street rehabilitation. Sidewalks and bike lanes are being proposed. The engineers will try to tie in the schools as part of the project. Mr. Fitzgerald discussed the intersection at Rts. 58 & 14 by the Sullivan's Funeral home and Highway Department which included a round-about at the location. Mr. Fitzgerald explained that the round-about is a traffic calming devise. It is not a rotary. Residents are usually resistant to a round-about.

Mr. Hickey explained his experience with a round-about in Canton of which he was not in favor. After its installation, he has had a positive experience.

Mr. Fitzgerald reviewed statistics including reduction in crashes 44%, Fatalities 87%.

Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett inquired as to the impact of the abutting resident. Mr. Fitzgerald does not believe they would be impacted.

Town Planner Laurie Muncy reported 35 residents attended the first public hearing and fewer attended the second hearing.

The project would include drainage installation and improvements.

Mr. Fitzgerald noted that Maquan Street is not bicycle friendly due to its winding route. They have considered a joint pedestrian and bike path with a guide rail between the vehicular traffic. A topography and property line survey will be conducted.

They suggested creating a small park and sitting area at the end of Maquan Pond. There will be no vehicular parking.

The next step is Town Meeting funding for the project. Ms. Muncy anticipates an article for the October Town Meeting at approximately \$750,000 for the \$7 million project. Final construction costs for the project will need to be determined.

Mr. Hickey asked what the impact will be on the traffic during the five year construction phase. Mr. Fitzgerald indicated that the actual construction does not take five years. He noted the permitting and engineering phases take most of the time.

Chief Miksch report there were only 5 accidents from 2011 to 2016 at the Rt. 58 & 14 intersection where as there were 86 crashes at from Winter and along Liberty Street.

Highway Surveyor Robert Brown indicated that he is not in favor of a round-about. Mr. Brown is concerned about emergency vehicles and other drivers having no ability to pull off the side of the road.

Complete Streets – Mr. FitzGerald explained the Complete Streets project in which the State provides communities up to \$400,000 per year. Tier 1 ~ the Town has to adopt a policy which is scored. Tier II is to create a prioritization plan, which has been completed. Environmental Partners inventories the Town's sidewalks and maps them on GIS. Using the data they developed, potential projects are submitted to the State. The top priorities are selected. The chart includes construction costs. They have met preliminarily to discuss the Town's priorities. The State will select which projects they will fund. Mr. Fitzgerald noted that it is beneficial to have a long list of projects.

Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett would like to know what projects are being proposed. Mr. McCue indicated that the submittal projects can be discussed at the June 27th meeting. Ms. Muncy will provide the Board with the priorities list.

Mr. Brown indicated that in the next month, Highway will be installing warning lights in the area of the fire station.

Mr. McCue acknowledged all the work the Laurie Muncy has put into the project and thanked her for the work.

Discussion & Review of Committees – Tabled until June 27th

Discussion of Maquan School Options and Transition Committee –
Chairman McGahan reviewed the letter dated May 22, 2017 from the Regional School district regarding the closing of Maquan Elementary School. Chairman McGahan requested the Board's

direction as to the use of the Maquan School with respect to the creation of a committee. The committee would evaluate the lease, sale or demolition of the building. Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett voiced concern about the ADA and grandfathering of building codes and permitting.

Mr. McCue suggested appointing a Board member who can meet with him and determine the committee membership.

MOTION by Howard, second by Howard to select Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett to work with the Town Administrator in planning the transition committee for the Maquan School closure. **Voted 5 – 0**

Chairman McGahan read an e-mail dated May 23 from Dr. Ruth Gilbert-Whitner regarding Indian Head/Maquan update.

Vote Audit contract with Lynch, Malloy & Marini LLP – Mr. McCue reported that he reviewed the contract with the Town Accountant and Treasurer/Collector and determined that the Board should chose Option 1 for auditing services through Fiscal Year 2019 which included \$31,750 for FY 2017; \$29,500 for FY 2018 and \$30,250 for Fiscal Year 2019.

MOTION by FitzGerald-Kemmett second by Mitchell to authorize the Town Administrator to sign the contract with Lynch, Malloy & Marini LLP for auditing services through Fiscal Year 2019. **Voted 5 – 0**

Review and Discuss goals of the Board – Mrs. FitzGerald-Kemmett reviewed her list of goals for the Board which includes Town owned properties, Plymouth County Hospital and highway facility. She wants to know the cost to take down the current facility. She feels they need a better working facility. She wants to be sure when it is presented to the tax payers they have an accurate figure. She would like to explore the use of the former Extension Service building as a potential senior center facility. She would like to reuse the building. She would like to get a clearer picture of the status of town building and capital items and possible discussion regarding a part-time facilities manager. She would also like to work on Main Street revitalization. She would like to do better with out reach to the residents. She would like to get a calendar of events from Recreation. Also put together tool with goals and objectives for the Town Administrator.

Chairman McGahan requested the other Board members provide a list of goals to Mr. McCue for review by the Board.

Chairman McGahan would like to add sidewalks throughout the Town and possible solar panels at the Food Pantry.

Vote Plymouth County Commissioners Budget – Chairman McGahan explained that the Plymouth Board of Selectmen voted to reject the County Budget due to the salary increase to the Commissioners. The salary has been increased by 87%. Mr. Howard explained that in 2009 the Commissioners reduced the pay from \$30,000 to \$7,500 and they are now restoring it to the amount they had previously received. Mr. Howard supports the increase.

MOTION by Mitchell, second by FitzGerald-Kemmett to approve the Plymouth County Commissioner budget as presented for discussion.

Chairman McGahan reviewed the reasons why the Town of Plymouth Selectmen voted against the budget. He feels the increase should be gradual.

Mr. McCue noted that Hanson weighted vote is 1.36% of the overall vote. Area communities would support budget with the exception of the increase for the County Commissioners.

Mr. Hickey questioned whether the Board of Selectmen has the information it needs to vote on the budget.

Mr. Mitchell amended his motion, second by FitzGerald-Kemmett to approve the Plymouth County Commissioners budget with the exception of the commissioner's salary increase. The increase should be incremental. **Voted 5 – 0**

Vote & authorize TA signature of Visiting Nurse Contract – Annual contract for Fiscal year 2018 for services which include two public education programs for \$500.00; \$75.00 per hour for direct services; \$40 per hour for communicable diseases investigation and reporting

MOTION by Howard, second by Hickey to authorize the Town Administrator to sign Visiting Nurse Contract. **Voted 5 – 0**

Declare surplus equipment from Recreation.

Chairman McGahan reviewed the memo from Recreation Director Marybeth MacKay dated June 13, 2017 requesting the Board surplus the following items. Stetco Wood Chipper, Honda Pressurer Washer, Exmark Commercial Mower and 2 pedal boats.

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to declare the equipment as surplus. **Voted 5 – 0**

III TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Will report next meeting.

IV OLD BUSINESS

Approve and Vote IT Contract – Mr. McCue reported that an IT company MX Consulting came in as the low bidder for IT services with an annual cost of \$29,000 which was the lowest proposal. Mr. McCue received good recommendations MX Consulting and has worked with them in another community.

MOTION by Mitchell, second Howard by to authorize the Town Administrator to sign the IT contract with MX Consulting for IT services for one year. **Voted 5 – 0**

Discussion regarding ATV on Town Property – Chairman McGahan reviewed an e-mail from Mr. Phil Clemons regarding over the road vehicles on town property. He reported that Police and Fire are emergency vehicles and exempt from the by-law.

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to allow all Town Owned vehicles and vendor contracted for Town services by the Town in an official capacity to access the Town properties with Off Road Vehicle. **Voted 5 – 0**

V ONE DAY LIQUOR LICENSES

Carole McLellan, Abington, Friday, July 14th 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Family Party
Michelle Martinelli, Weymouth, Saturday, July 15th 4:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Wedding
Laura Perkins, Hanson, Friday, July 21st 6:30 – 10:00 p.m. – Surprise Party
Alexandra Waugh, East Bridgewater, Sat., July 22nd 5:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Wedding
Kerri Ann Wells, Dorchester, Sun., July 23rd 4:00 – 9:00 p.m. – Wedding
Hanson Public Library Foundation, Tues., July 25th 5:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Trivia Night
Jessica Sacone, Whitman, Fri., July 28th 5:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Wedding
Molly Uppenkamp, Dedham, Sat., July 29th 5:00 – 10:00 p.m. – Wedding

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to approve the One Day Liquor Licenses as printed.
Voted 5 – 0

VI APPROVE MINUTES
May 23, 2017 Reg. & ES

MOTION by Howard, second by Mitchell to approve the minutes of May 23, 2017. **Voted 5 – 0**

MOTION by FitzGerald-Kemmett, second by Mitchell to approve the Executive Session minutes of May 23, 2017 to be held. **Voted 5 – 0**

VII COMMITTEE REPORTS

Monponsett Pond Committee – Mr. Howard reported Monponsett Pond is currently being treated. No meetings dates set.

Indian Head & Maquan Priority Repair Comm. - Mr. Hickey – Nothing to report

Chairman McGahan reported he attending a meeting at the School to discuss a budget in August or September to be reviewed prior to the budget season and capital costs to work with the school committee. The group will meet in early September.

Highway Building Committee – Mr. Mitchell - Nothing to report

Final Plymouth County Hospital Reuse Comm. – Mr. McCue – the project is 99% finished. Engineers are waiting on DEP for approval on the use of the catch basin material. He met with representatives of the Reuse Committee and a landscape contractor. The area was hydroseeded last week. Mr. Howard is disappointed that the street sweeping which were going to be used as fill has not been used are the pile is still at the site. They filled in areas and he wants it designated as a non-perk-able area on file with the Board of Health. Mr. Howard reported that in some communities the street sweeper takes the material back and recycles them.

VIII EXECUTIVE SESSION – Chairman McGahan announced the Board would be going into executive session to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel or contract negotiations with non-union personnel and further to conduct strategy with

respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares. Administrative Professional, Dispatchers, Fire, Highway & Police Unions.

So moved by Howard, second Mitchell to go into Executive Session. ***Roll Call Howard aye, FitzGerald-Kemmett aye, McGahan aye, Mitchell aye and Hickey aye. Voted 5 – 0***

10:07 p.m. – Brief Recess

10:38 p.m. – Returned to open session

IX ADJOURNMENT

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

10:38 p.m. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Meredith Marini,
Executive Assistant
Approved and voted 5 – 0
June 27, 2017