

Tuesday, August 30, 2022

Hanson Select Board

Select Board's meeting room, Town Hall Open Session

Members Present: Laura FitzGerald-Kemmett, James Hickey, Joseph Weeks, Edwin Heal

Members Absent: Ann Rein

Others Present: Michael Miksch, Police Chief; Arlene Dias, Board of Health; Lynn

McDowell

I <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

Ms. FitzGerald-Kemmett called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mr. Weeks read the public announcements and upcoming meetings.

III <u>APPOINTMENTS</u>

1. Vote to appoint Michael S. Maliff, Jr., as a police officer with the Hanson Police Department

Chief Miksch informed the board that there is currently a vacancy due to an officer transferring to another department. Chief Miksch provided some interesting background information on the candidate. Mr. Miksch ask the board for a motion.

MOTION by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Hickey, to hire Michael Maliff as a Hanson Police Officer upon successful completion of a physiological test, back ground check, and medical exam. **Voted 4 - 0**

2. Vote to appoint, Jake Matyi as the temporary Administrative Assistant and student intern to the Town Administrator.

MOTION by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Mr. Weeks, to appoint Jake Matyi as a student intern within the town administrator's office. **Voted 4 - 0**

3. Discuss and vote to appoint Sean Cahill to the Parks and Fields Committee, term ending 06/30/2025

Mr. Cahill speaks in front of the board and describes that he is an active member of the community and coaches many youth sports in the town.

MOTION by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Hickey, to appoint Sean Cahill to the Parks and Fields Committee. *Voted 4-0*

4. Vote to appoint Lynn McDowell as the Executive Assistant to the Select Board and Town Administrator with a start date of September 7, 2022

MOTION by Mr. Weeks seconded by Mr. Hickey, to appoint Lynn McDowell as the Executive Assistant to the Select Board and the Town Administrator's office. **Voted 4-0**

IV <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

1. Announce agreement with Kevin Donovan, as Interim Town Administrator, starting Thursday, August 31, 2022, to assist while Town Administrator Lisa Green is out on medical leave.

Ms. FitzGerald-Kemmett announced that Ms. Green is out on a medical leave. She reached out to Town Council and received a recommendation for Mr. Donovan. He has an extensive background within municipal government and has worked in an interim role previously. She and Mr. Hickey spoke with Mr. Donovan and felt he would be perfect to get the Town ready for Special Town meeting in October.

The Select Board is entering an agreement with Mr. Donovan for up to three months. It also has an agreement with Ms. Green that during her medical leave she will use her sick and vacation time. The agreement for Mr. Donovan's requires the Select Board signatures.

MOTION by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Hickey, to appoint Kevin Donovan as Interim Town Administrator, starting Wednesday, August 31, 2022 to assist while Lisa Green is out on medical leave. **Voted 4-0**

2. Discuss and vote to approve the Holiday Festival Committee request to hold the annual holiday festival on the Hanson Green, December 10, 2022 from 4:30pm – 7:30pm. **Pending Fireworks company confirmation of day**.

MOTION by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Hickey, to approve the annual holiday festival for December 10, 2022. *Voted 4-0*

3.	Discuss and approve the updated Thomas Mill Rental Agreement

Tabled.

4. Board of Health Budget update and discussion

Ms. FitzGerald-Kemmett reminded Ms. Dias that the Board requested the Health agent provide a plan of what measures of savings it could produce. Ms. Dias stated there was a conversation at her last meeting but requested not to present this evening. Her board was not able to get all the information needed, nor finalized the accuracy of the numbers.

The Board expressed its disappointment in the Board of Health not following through on the commitment to present its budget, and Ms. FitzGerald-Kemmett encouraged Ms. Dias to have a one-off meeting with her committee to have all needed information required for the September 13, 2022 Select Board meeting, which is to close the warrant. Ms. Dias assured the Board she will find the time to schedule a meeting and be ready to present.

5. Declare three police vehicles as surplus vehicles

Chief Miksch discussed the fleet program he developed for Hanson Police Department. For this year, there are three unmarked cars needing to be replaced. He intends to replace the following cars with hybrid vehicles, which fall under Green Communities.

2013 Ford Interceptor 1FM5K8AR6DGC73383 Cruiser number 493
 2017 Ford Interceptor 1FM5K8ARXHGC25715 Cruiser number 489
 2017 Ford Interceptor 1FM5K8AR7HGD57444 Cruiser number 484

MOTION by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Mr. Weeks, to trade in the above referenced vehicles for new modes for the Hanson Police Department fleet. *Voted* 4 - 0

V <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

1. Discuss Town Meeting Warrant Articles

The Select Board reviewed the packet and discuss all possible warrant issues. Ms. FitzGerald-Kemmett suggested the Capital Improvement Committee present its' matrix to the Select Board on September 13, 2022 and discuss what are the priorities for the warrant.

The Board reiterated that September 13, 2022 is the deadline for everything that needs to be discussed with the board.

2. Committee Updates

- Mr. Weeks gave an update for the Capital Improvement committee. He is pleased with how
 the committee is working together with Department Heads at Town Hall. He noted there
 were several new people attending the committee's last meeting and the great dialogue that
 occurred.
- Ms. FitzGerald-Kemmett noted all the new faces now serving on committees giving new perspectives and ideas.
- Mr. Weeks also discussed Final Plymouth County Reuse Hospital Subcommittee. There are plans to add a dog park and a public park. The Committee is putting together a list of things that they would like to change, how to name areas, and what the town is expecting from them. He would like to have Mr. DeFrias attend a Select Board meeting for his knowledge moving forward. He also noted the committee would like a name change to reflect the actual work being done.
- Ms. FitzGerald-Kemmett requested the Final Plymouth County Reuse Hospital committee presenting to the Economic Committee. The committee has applied for a grant that would have Main Street connect to the Burrage through a boardwalk. This combined with an education center in the Lite Control building at the Burrage could lead to eco-tourism. She also noted Main Street is revitalizing with new businesses and improvements of current businesses. Much of this space is within the MBTA community 40R; will be able to maintain some influence with affordable housing going forward. Next steps include working with the Town Planner to review Town-owned properties; are there to sell or leverage into long term leases. The committee would also have the Town Planner coordinate development to the Plymouth County Hospital area to further open the possible boardwalk location and potential historical area/museum. The Economic committee is also developing a marketing plan, review the 2019 strategic plan to attract new businesses to Hanson.
- Mr. Hickey thanked two high school students for volunteering their summer at the Senior Center.

VI One Day Licenses

- 1. Vote to approve One Day Liquor License for Camp Kiwanee, Jessica Moore, on December 10, 2022, between hours of 3:00pm and 9:00pm for a birthday party
- 2. Vote to approve One Day Liquor License for Camp Kiwanee, Kelly Carlini, on September 25, 2022, between hours of 12:00pm and 3:00pm for a bridal shower

MOTION by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Heal, to approve a one-day license for Camp Kiwanee. **Voted 4-0**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Heal, Voted 4-0

Respectfully submitted, Lynn McDowell