



# Town of Hanson

## Select Board



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### ***Tuesday, May 17, 2022 ~ Select Board Meeting OPEN SESSION***

**Members Present:** James Hickey, Matthew Dyer, Laura FitzGerald-Kemmett, Kenny Mitchell, Joseph Weeks

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:** Lisa Green, Town Administrator; Lucia Silveira, Executive Assistant

#### **I CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Dyer 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 NEW BUSINESS**

##### **Fireworks Site Discussion**

Mr. Ronald Marnicio from Tetra Tech presented the Clean-up of the former fireworks site and the activities relevant to the Town of Hanson. The presentation is available on the Town of Hanson's website. To review, see below:

[https://www.hanson-ma.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlf3231/f/news/final\\_hanson\\_selectmen\\_meeting\\_05172022\\_v7.pdf](https://www.hanson-ma.gov/sites/g/files/vyhlf3231/f/news/final_hanson_selectmen_meeting_05172022_v7.pdf)

##### **Harbor to the Bay Ride in September 2022**

Select Board were informed that the Harbor to the Bay Ride is a charity bike ride that will happen on September 17, 2022. All Select Board members acknowledged this event. No vote.

##### **Select Board Vote to Send Notice of Takings Hearing**

**MOTION** by Jim Hickey, seconded by Joe Weeks, to vote to send notice of takings.

**Voted 5-0**

**Vote to Approve Transfers**

**MOTION** by Laura Kemmett, seconded by Joes Weeks, to vote to approve transfers as mentioned by Town Administrator. **Voted 5-0**

**252 Lakeside Road**

Mr. John Olson of 252 Lakeside Road notified the Town of his intention of extending a fence across his back property line (Letter received/stamped by the Select Board office on April 29<sup>th</sup>). He stated that the fence will extend from his driveway of Rollercoaster Road. The purpose is to stop traffic from Rollercoaster Road and Lakeside Road. The installation is scheduled to take place on June 1<sup>st</sup>. He asked for the Town to notify Police and Fire of the closures. Ms. Green mentioned that Lakeside and Rollercoaster are private roads. Ms. Feodoroff said that Mr. Olson indicated that he is the owner. She further cautioned the board that she has not done a title search to validate Mr. Olson's claims of ownership. Mr. Mitchell stated that if this is a private road, it should be a private dispute between neighbors. Mr. Hickey suggested that this discussion be tabled for a future meeting. Further research is needed to figure out if Mr. Olson can erect a fence which will block traffic on Lakeside and Rollercoaster Road. Mr. Kenny also mentioned that Lakeside and Rollercoaster Road do not have to meet. Mr. Hickey said in doing that, both roads would now become dead ends. Mr. Kenny further states that if it is Mr. Olson's private property, he should have the right to build a fence. Ms. Kemmett agrees that if it's his private property, he should be able to put a fence. However, she is very concerned with the safety in terms of first responders getting to the residents. She's also concerned about grading and plowing of the roads. Ms. Kemmett wants to know if there is an obligation for the board to interfere with this private road dispute. Does the Town of Hanson have any kind of responsibility? Ms. Feodoroff stated that the Town has a legal obligation to ensure that private road remains open. It's not an affirmative obligation. Ms. Feodoroff suggested having further discussions during an Executive Session. The Select Board agreed to add this discussion as an Executive Session for the May 24, 2022 Select Board Meeting.

**Resignations From the Capital Improvement Committee**

- **MOTION** by Laura Kemmett, seconded by Jim Hickey, to recognize John Currie's resignation from the Capital Improvement Committee. **Voted 5-0**
- **MOTION** by Kenny Mitchell, seconded by Jim Hickey, to recognize Dina Amado's resignation from the Capital Improvement Committee. **Voted 5-0**

**IV. ONE DAY LICENSES:**

**MOTION** by Laura Kemmett, seconded by Kenny Mitchell, to approve One Day Licenses as printed on agenda. **Voted 5 - 0**

**V. APPROVE OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

**MOTION** by Laura Kemmett, seconded by Kenny Mitchell, to approve open session minutes for April 5, 2022 **Voted 5 - 0**

**VI. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

1. Ms. Green thanked everyone that worked hard to prepare for the Annual Town Meeting.
2. TMS is compiling material that they have to put a report together on the de-regionalization financial impact study. This will be placed on a future agenda once they have the findings of the financial impact of de-regionalization.
3. Ms. Green thanked the Town Planner, Tony DeFrias, for taking the lead on preparing the 39 page One Stop Grant program.
4. Whitman Hanson Regional School Audit Update: Ms. Green mentioned that there was a meeting with the Collins Center. We are currently waiting for the Whitman Town Administrator to respond. Once we have his response, we can put together a proposal to see where we stand.
5. Ms. Green attended a Human Resources boot camp. This class is very important because it will prepare the Town for an HR audit. Ms. Green mention that the Town of Hanson would benefit greatly from having a dedicated Human Resources. There are HR deadlines, fillings and personnel issues that require great attention. Ms. Green asked that the new board seriously consider an HR position.
6. Ms. Green stated that Town Hall will be closed on Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> to observe Juneteenth which falls on a Sunday this year.
7. Ms. Green concluded by thanking Chairman Dyer and Kenny Mitchell for all their years of service to the Town of Hanson. They will be greatly missed.

**ADJOURNMENT to Executive Session**

**MOTION** by Kenny Mitchell, seconded by Laura Kemmett, to adjourn meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Lucia Silveira*