

**Meeting Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Hanover Select Board held in a hybrid format via videoconference as well as in person in the First Floor Hearing Room of Hanover Town Hall on Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 6:30 PM.**

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**Call meeting to order**

At 6:30pm the Vice Chair called the meeting to order.

Present at Town Hall were Vice Chair Nyman, Selectman Tuzik, Selectwoman O'Connor and Selectman Louko, Chairman Delaney was unable to attend.

Also present at Town Hall, Town Manager Joe Colangelo (TM), Assistant Town Manager/CDMI and HR Director Ann Lee (ATM), Director of Licensing and Insurance/ Executive Assistant Janet Tierney (DLI).

The Vice Chair asked for public comments, seeing none.

**Minutes**

The Board voted to approve the Meeting Minutes of October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**Appointments**

Resident Ken Greene appeared before the Board discussed his background and expressed his interest in serving on the Council on Aging Advisory Board, (COA Advisory Board). The Chairman of the COA Advisory Board, Les Molyneux also appeared before the Board and informed all that the COA Advisory Board had voted unanimously in favor of Mr. Greene's appointment. The Board voted to appoint Ken Greene to the Council on Aging Advisory Board.

**Discussion with IT, PEG-TV, Communications Regarding the Videotaping, Storage, and Accessibility of Public Meetings for the Town of Hanover**

Director of Communications, Information and Media Steve Ryerson and Director of Technology Operations Tom Nee appeared before the Board and discussed the logistics of making recorded public meetings accessible to the public as a matter of public record. The Board discussed the need for increased training on recording meetings for Board and Committee Chairs and possibly a back-up person for each Board and/or Committee trained as well. TM informed the Board that Town Counsel advised that a Bylaw would be the most effective way to require that all public Town Meetings be recorded as the Board had mentioned a desire for such at the last meeting. TM proposed adding a Draft Warrant Article for the Bylaw addition to an upcoming Board agenda for discussion and or approval.

**Consider Taking a Formal Position in Support of the Continuation of Virtual/Hybrid Public Meetings**

TM presented to the Board the Draft letter of support of the continuation of Virtual/Hybrid Public Meetings in perpetuity as an open meeting law, attached, addressed to Senator Brady and Representative DeCoste. TM emphasized that the letter is in support of Virtual/Hybrid Open Public Board and Committee meetings but does not support Virtual/Hybrid Annual and Special Open Town Meetings, as Town Counsel had advised against this due to difficulties with knowing who of the remote attendees is or isn't a registered voter of the Town of Hanover. The Vice Chair asked for any questions or concerns, seeing none. The Board voted to approve and sign the letter as presented.

Approved  
11/1/2021

### **Consider Approval of Request from Country Ski & Sport**

DLI appeared before the Board and provided an update on the Country Ski and Sport Expo applications, informing the Board that the applicants had met all of the Board's requirements.

The Board voted to approve Michael Snowdale's One Day - Malt Only - Liquor License Application for the Country Ski Expo with effective dates of November 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and Kelsey Lemmon's One Day - Wine Only - Liquor License Application for the Country Ski Expo with effective dates of November 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, both with approved hours of service 11am – 8pm on the 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>, and 12 Noon to 8pm on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **Consider Approving Public Assemblage Permit for Winterfest**

DLI appeared before the Board and provided an update on the plans for Winterfest informing all that the requested date is Friday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 5:30pm to 8:30pm snow or shine with a rain date of Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> with the same requested hours, and will involve the following road closures: Washington Street from Pantooset Road to Rockland Street, Broadway from Columbia Road to Oakland Avenue and Church Street. DLI informed the Board that Public Health Nurse Nancy Funder would be providing the Winterfest organizers and volunteers with current health and safety requirements, at the time of the event. The Board voted to approve the Public Assemblage Permit for Winterfest.

### **Consider Accepting the 2021 Re-Precincting Plan for the Town of Hanover as Presented by the Town Clerk**

The Town Clerk and Finance Department Executive Administrative Assistant Carol Mattes appeared before the Board. The Clerk presented her proposed 2021 Re-Precincting Plan for the Town of Hanover. The Board discussed the proposed plan with the Clerk and Carol Mattes. The Board voted to approve the 2021 Re-Precincting Plan for the Town of Hanover as presented by the Town Clerk.

### **Consider Approving the Town Manager and Finance Director as the Town of Hanover's Authorized Representatives for ARPA**

TM informed the Board that the Plymouth County Commissioners and Treasurer will be coming to the next Select Board meeting to discuss ARPA with the Board.

Finance Director Chelsea Stevens (FD) appeared before the Board and informed them that each Town is required to appoint their own Representative and Reporter for the purposes of applying for ARPA grant money. The Board discussed the appointments with FD. The Vice Chair asked for any questions or concerns, seeing none.

The Board voted to appoint the Hanover Finance Director as the Town of Hanover's Authorized ARPA Reporter and as such the Finance Director shall be authorized to prepare and enter information into the Plymouth County American Rescue Plan portal in support of one or more applications to Plymouth County for grants ("ARPA Grants") to be funded from a grant received by Plymouth County under the American Rescue Plan Act.

The Board voted to appoint the Hanover Town Manager as the Town of Hanover's Authorized ARPA Representative and as such the Town Manager shall be authorized to approve, finalize, and submit on behalf of the Town any such ARPA Grant application and to make all representations and certifications required to be made on behalf of the Town to complete each such application, with such approval, representations, and certifications to be evidenced by the signature of the Town Manager on such application; and if any such ARPA grant is awarded, the Town Manager shall be the recipient of such grant on behalf of the Town.

### **Review and Discuss Second Draft FY2023 + 5yr Capital Budget and Plan**

TM ran through the changes since the last meeting and requested that the Board look over the listed projects over the next week or two and provide TM and FD with feedback on the ones they are proponents of or have questions on.

TM informed the Board that he had heard from Dave Deluca that the Town now owns the Webster Street property. TM informed the Board of plans to meet with the Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief tomorrow to begin moving things forward.

TM informed the Board that the \$5 Million listed for PFAS upgrades is a worse case scenario. TM commented that the process approved by DEP will hopefully be effective and the investment will be much smaller, and further stated that the DPW Director hopes to know more by the end of October.

Carly Selas a resident of Dillingham Way appeared before the Board and discussed a placeholder on the Warrant for traffic calming measures in her neighborhood with TM and the Board.

The Vice Chair asked for any questions or comments, seeing none.

### **Review Second Draft of the 2022 Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles**

TM discussed changes to the Draft Warrant Articles since the last meeting with the Board.

### **Town Manager Report**

TM had nothing further to report this evening.

### **Select Board Forum**

Selectman Tuzik took a moment to acknowledge the passing of Colon Powell, son of Jamaican immigrants who rose to the highest level of government. He served in Vietnam, was the first African American Chairman of the Joint Chiefs and the first African American Secretary of State.

The Board also sent their thanks to Police Chief Sweeney, his wife Andrea and their family on the announcement of the Chief's retirement, noting that Chief Sweeney has given his entire adult life to Hanover. The Board wished him a long and happy retirement.

Selectman Louko shared that the DPW has been working to get the construction permit approved and he is hoping to get the green light soon to start work on the Rail Trail project in West Hanover.

### **Adjourn**

The meeting ended and adjourned at 7:40 p.m.