

Meeting Minutes of the Hanover Select Board Regular Meeting held in a Hybrid Format with both in person attendees in the First Floor Hearing Room of Town Hall as well as remote attendees via Zoom videoconference, on Monday, October 3rd, 2022 @ 7:00 pm.

Call meeting to order and Pledge of Allegiance

At 7:00pm the Chair called the meeting to order.

Present at Town Hall were Chair Nyman, Selectman Delaney, Selectman Tuzik and Selectman Louko. Vice Chair Vanessa O'Connor was present via Zoom.

Also present at Town Hall were Town Manager Joe Colangelo (TM), and Director of Public Affairs, Licensing and Insurances Janet Tierney (DPA).

All rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment and Meeting Minutes

The Chair requested any public comments, seeing none.

The Chair requested any questions or comments regarding the meeting minutes of September 12, 2022 and September 26, 2022, seeing none.

The Board voted to approve the Meeting Minutes of September 12, 2022 and September 26, 2022 as presented.

Roll call vote Vice Chair O'Connor, aye, Selectman Louko, aye, Selectman Tuzik, aye, Selectman Delaney, aye, Chair Nyman, aye.

Proclamations

Proclamations for Commander Ray Miller and Scout Griffin Corrick for their work on the rededication of the Josselyn Cummings Post 149 Centennial Hall.

The Chair invited Commander Ray Miller to the podium, and he spoke on the rededication ceremony held this past summer.

The chair approached the podium and invited Scout Griffin Corrick up to receive the following proclamation:

***TO HONOR
GRIFFIN CORRICK***

Be it resolved on this the 3rd day of October, 2022, the Hanover Select Board is proud to join with the residents of Hanover in honoring Griffin Corrick for his steadfast involvement and hard work on the restoration and rededication of the Josselyn Cummings American Legion Post 149 Centennial Hall.

Griffin's work included fundraising and installing a new Centennial Hall canopy on the front of the Josselyn Cummings American Legion Post 149. Griffin's Scout project along with the projects of nine Eagle Scouts completed the modernization of the Hall and culminated with the rededication of "Centennial Hall" a name chosen to mark the 100th Anniversary of the American Legion which was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a Patriotic Veterans

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Organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. Centennial hall which has been described as honoring a Dedication to Patriotic Values, has provided a beautiful new event space here in the Town of Hanover.

On behalf of the Town of Hanover the Select Board would like to thank you Griffin for all your efforts. You are a credit to your family, your friends, your community, and your Country. As you continue your life's journey always remember the qualities that brought you here today are the same qualities that will help you to succeed in the future. The Select Board thanks you and wishes you the very best of luck in all future endeavors.

Dated: October 3, 2022

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Steven R. Louko, Jr.

Griffin thanked the Board and all those who helped him with his project.

The Chair invited Commander Miller to stay at the podium and presented him with the following proclamation on behalf of the Select Board:

***TO HONOR
COMMANDER RAY MILLER***

Be it resolved on this the 3rd day of October, 2022, the Hanover Select Board is proud to join with the residents of Hanover in honoring Commander Ray Miller for his staunch dedication to the American Legion and his hard work on the restoration and rededication of the Josselyn Cummings American Legion Post 149 Centennial Hall.

The rededication of the newly named Centennial Hall is to mark the 100th Anniversary of the American Legion which was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a Patriotic Veterans Organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. The newly updated and improved Centennial Hall which has been described as honoring a Dedication to Patriotic Values, is the culmination of ten Scout projects and provides a beautiful new event space here in the Town of Hanover.

The Members of the Hanover Select Board, along with the citizens of Hanover, wish to express our heartfelt thanks to you, Commander, for all that you do for our community and especially for Hanover Veterans and their families. You are a credit to your family, your friends, your community and your Country. We wish you the very best of luck in all your future endeavors.

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Commander Miller thanked the Board and spoke of the work performed by the Members of American Legion Post 149.

The proclamation recipients took photos with the Members of the Select Board.

Proclamation for the Hanover VNA Community Foundation Fund Drive Week – October 3rd to October 8th, 2022.

The Chair recited the following proclamation on behalf of the Board:

A PROCLAMATION

TO: The Citizens of the Town of Hanover

WHEREAS: The Hanover VNA Community Foundation calls upon the citizens of Hanover to generously support the many services of the Hanover Visiting Nurses provided for the benefit of all residents who require them; and

WHEREAS: The Hanover VNA Community Foundation is composed of a dedicated group of volunteers who work closely with the Hanover Visiting Nurses and other organizations in Hanover; and

WHEREAS: They support the Hanover School System by awarding scholarships to Hanover High School graduates planning careers in nursing and other allied health professions, continue to support the Hanover Recreation Department by funding camperships for Hanover children; and

WHEREAS: The Hanover Visiting Nurses provide care for hospital patients returning home, as well as caring for chronic disease patients, advise and instruct in the use and care of equipment and assist in doctor ordered care. Clinics are provided to monitor Blood Pressure, screen for Diabetes and oversee Wellness for all patients. Flu clinics are also conducted. The staff serves on various boards in the community and assist at the Annual Health Fair; and

WHEREAS: The Hanover VNA and the Hanover VNA Community Foundation provide all of the aforesaid services which are available to all Hanover citizens.

The Annual Fund Drive, which is the primary source of income for the Hanover Visiting Nurses and the Hanover VNA Community Foundation helps support these many endeavors;

THEREFORE, We, the Select Board of the Town of Hanover, do hereby proclaim October 3rd through October 8th, 2022, as

**HANOVER VNA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
FUND DRIVE WEEK**

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The Annual Fund Drive will be conducted through the mail during the aforesaid time and we call upon all Hanover citizens to generously support the Hanover VNA Community Foundation in their endeavors so that these much-needed services may continue for all the citizens of Hanover.

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Budgeting & Finance

FY2024 Capital Budget + 5 Year Plan

TM and Finance Director Chelsea Stevens presented the first Draft of the FY2024 Capital Budget + 5 Year Plan, [attached](#), to the Board. TM reminded the Board that this is a planning document and not regulatory. Therefore, even if adopted it is not binding. He also mentioned that all of the information presented tonight is available to the public online on the Town of Hanover website. TM recommended that the FY2024 + 5 Year Capital Budget be adopted by the Select Board prior to Thanksgiving because this information will be helpful in drafting the FY2024 Operating Budget. The Board requested that the Department Heads come before the Board over the next few months to identify and discuss their priorities. TM agreed to arrange that for the Board.

Town Manager Forum

TM informed the Board that with the expected increases in the cost of electricity, he has received multiple calls regarding Municipal Aggregate Energy Contracts, and he is looking into how to participate as well as the pros and cons of participation.

Select Board Forum

Selectman Delaney took a moment to recognize the great job done on the new Centennial Hall awning as well as in the hall itself.

The Chair mentioned attending the Benchmark at Hanover Grand Opening and inquired if it is now full. TM informed the Board that he believes it is filling up fast but not yet full. The Chair also inquired if the Clerk could pay the facility a visit in order to help the residents sign up to vote. TM informed the Board that the Clerk is working with the Registrars to set up an onsite registration for them.

Vice Chair O'Connor mentioned that she had attended a Hanover Club event at Centennial Hall and it was great and the people were very easy to work with. The Vice Chair also mentioned that the Hanover Club would be happy to have more members should anyone wish to join.

Selectman Louko mentioned that the Conservation Commission met and completed the Rail Trail Project Hearing and the project now has both the State and the Town's approval with conditions put on the project to protect the environment while giving people access to the trails. He further informed everyone that the DPW is expected to move forward with the project in the Fall.

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Executive Session

At: 7:46pm the Chair, in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, §21(a)2, requested a roll call vote to enter into Executive Session to conduct a strategy session in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel, namely Police Lieutenant.

The Chair announced that the Board will not be returning to open session.

Roll Call Vote: Vice Chair O'Connor, aye, Selectman Louko, aye, Selectman Tuzik, aye, Selectman Delaney, aye, Chair Nyman, aye.

At 7:46 pm the Board moved into Executive Session.

Adjourn

At 8:05pm the Chair requested a roll call vote to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Selectman Louko, aye, Selectman Tuzik, aye, Selectman Delaney, aye, Vice Chair O'Connor, aye, Chair Nyman aye.

The meeting ended and adjourned at 8:05pm.