

**Town of Hanover**  
**Advisory Committee**  
**550 Hanover Street**  
**Hanover, MA 02339**

Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2015 7:00 p.m.

**Opening:**

The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Chris Martin, Chairman.

**Committee Attendees:**

Chris Martin, Helen Graves, Angela Blanchard, Joan Port-Farwell, Donald White, Sandra Hayes, Ted Hickey, Wayne Moores and Jerry O'Hearn

Other Attendees: Janine Smith, Director of Finance (and others – see below)

There were no prior meeting minutes to approve.

The Advisory Committee received a presentation from the groups within Community Services, led by Tony Marino, Assistant Town Manager.

- Council on Aging – Senior Center. Attendees included Robyn Mitton, Carol Mattes, Rick Mattes, Don Buckley, Claire Flynn and Dick Farwell. Robyn brought us up to date on the successful programs and wellness program initiatives planned in the next coming months.
- Town Planner – Peter Matchak briefly discussed a Planning Board/ Zoning Change regarding a change in the Business District that would allow for medical outpatient services within the Route 53 Corridor. He and Tony Marino also informed us that an economic development project is in progress. Peter also mentioned that they are working on combining the Affordable Housing Trust and the Housing Authority and are working the Department of Housing and Community Development for approval.
- Library Trustees – Attendees were Lorraine Welch, Library Directors and Library Trustees Elaine Shea and Joan Thomas. Lorraine shared with the committee that the new full time Reference Librarian has been an excellent addition to staff and that all operations are running smoothly.

- VNA – Visiting Nurse Association. Tony Marino introduced us to Karen Lynch, the Nurse Administrator who spoke of the steps she has taken to streamline office procedures including the hiring of two interns – a college student and a Hanover High School student.
- Community Access Television – Tony Marino and Colleen Smith informed the committee of recent improvements which include the purchase of a Quad-copter Drone and their efforts to provide 24/7 programming.
- Veterans Services – Tony Marino informed us that there is presently one part time employee and they are continuing to work with the State to form a Veterans District with the Town of Duxbury.
- Department of Municipal Inspections – Tony Marino reviewed his budget items with the committee. He also briefly addressed the Noise Bylaw change on the warrant. He is presently working with the Bylaw committee and Police Chief on the article. The bylaw change will allow the Town to formally address noise complaint issues.

The committee members discussed the School Resource Officer presentation from Police Chief Walter Sweeney on March 4, 2015 and the committee discussed asking the Police Chief to expand on issues concerning the new position. Chris Martin will be forwarding additional questions from committee members to Janine Smith so that the Chief Sweeney can address those issues at a future date.

The next Advisory Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 18, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn at 9:01 p.m. was made by Don White and seconded by Helen Graves.