

Meeting Minutes of Regular Meeting of Hanover Board of Selectmen held at Town Hall on Monday, November 4, 2013 @ 7:00 PM.

Present were Chairman Joseph R. Salvucci, Vice Chairman Susan M. Setterland, John S. Barry, Harold L. Dunn. Also present: Town Manager Troy B.G. Clarkson and Executive Assistant Ann Lee. Selectman Brian E. Barthelmes was unable to attend.

At 7:00 PM Chairman Salvucci opened the meeting and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence to honor Veterans Day. At 7:07 p.m. the Board moved to the front entrance of Town Hall to conduct the dedication ceremony of the Veterans Chair.

The Board met with Representative Rhonda Nyman for a District update. Representative Nyman thanked everyone for the support she received during the passing of her mother-in-law and provided an update on the following: An Act Relative to the Anti-Bullying Seal of the Commonwealth, An Act Relative to the Possession of Dangerous Open Flame Devices, An Act Relative to the Hanover Town Manager Act, 2013 VALOR Act, Hanover Cultural Council award, MassDOT re: signage and a left hand turn lane for traffic on Rt. 53 near the University Sports Complex, DEP re: the Fireworks Site (detailed information is attached). Selectman Barry inquired about the delay with the Town Manager Act; Representative Nyman noted the delay was due to some of the language submitted noting the issue was resolved in July and is moving forward. Selectman Barry acknowledged it has been 2 ½ years since this Board contacted DEP regarding the Fireworks Site and it is time for an action plan noting it has been going on for 30 years, Selectman Barry requested Senator Keating's office be involved. Representative Nyman noted a meeting will be scheduled with Commissioner Kimmell, Senator Kennedy, and Senator Keating. Selectman Barry inquired on the gas tax; Representative Nyman reported the gas tax was included in the Transportation Bill which has been passed; the impact of the gas tax is three cents.

The Board voted to approve the executive session meeting minutes of 9-9-13, and meeting minutes of 9-23-13 and 10-10-13.

The Board met with Conservation Agent Amy Walkey, Open Space Committee Chairman Hal Thomas, and Hanover residents Chris and Kevin Perry regarding the Rails to Trails project. Ms. Walkey noted Chairman Salvucci has met informally with our group where we have discussed converting the Rail Trail to a recreational trail. Ms. Walkey requested the Selectmen endorse a Trail Committee noting with a Committee in place it will allow them to file an application with CPC which, if approved, would provide funding to see the plan through; further noting the CPC application is due November 8th. The Board noted the Ironhorse organization had interest in the project; Ms. Walkey noted the 2012 Town Meeting passed an Article which authorized the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with Ironhorse but the project never worked out. The Board voted to create the Trail Advisory Committee to be made up by five (5) members consisting of; one representative of the Board of Selectmen, one representative of the Conservation Commission, one representative of the Open Space Committee and two members at large. The Board appointed Chairman Salvucci, Amy Walkey, Hal Thomas, Chris Perry and Kevin Perry as members of the Committee.

The Board met with Attorney Nicholas J. Scobbo, Jr. regarding the formation of a Municipal Light plant; Chief Blanchard also participated in the discussion. Mr. Scobbo discussed the Town Meeting approach vs. a special act of the Massachusetts Legislature. The Board requested Chief Blanchard contact local communities to check on the level of interest they may have. The Board requested Town Counsel attend a future meeting to advise the Board.

The Board met with Doug Thompson, Town Moderator regarding Board/Committee Appointments.

The Board vote to approve and authorized the Chair to sign an Amended Flammable and Combustible Liquids, Flammable Gases and Solids License to 1808 Washington Street, Hanover Five Star, LLC, Ghassan Tannous.

The Board discussed the Board of Selectmen assignments to include newly seated Selectman Barthelmes and voted the following liaison assignments:

- Chairman Salvucci, Moderator's Appointment of Selectman on Fire Stations, Building & Reconstruction Committee; Advisory Committee Liaison; and Trail Advisory Committee
- Vice Chairman Setterland, South Shore Coalition Representative; Plymouth County Selectmen's Association; and Affordable Housing Trust
- Selectman Barry, Negotiating Representative to the Schools and School Oversight Management Committee
- Selectman Dunn, Liaison to State of Route 53 and Roadways and Plymouth County Advisory Board
- Selectman Barthelmes, Plymouth County Advisory Board Alternate and Community Access & Media Committee.

The Board agreed to conduct a Policy Workshop on Wednesday, December 11th.

The Board received the Receipt-Turnover Procedure and Town Collectors Office Cash Handling Procedure and requested both procedures become Board of Selectmen Policies; Vice Chairman Setterland with contact the Finance Director to make a few adjustments to the procedures prior to the Board adopting them as Policies.

Town Manager Report:

- The Board has been provided with a written report on the water issue in the North Hanover area – a report similar to the Fireworks Site report will be sent to residents.
- The work at Forge Pond continues.
- Gale Associates has been engaged regarding the improvements needed at the High School.
- An estimate on curbing for Wade Way will be provided at a future meeting.

Chairman Salvucci noted the Board's scheduled meeting with the Board of Public Works on November 20th will be an opportunity for Public Works to bring forth a policy on curbing.

Chairman Salvucci asked if any member of the audience had any comment or item for discussion for the Open Forum portion of the meeting; no response.

Meeting ended and adjourned at 9:19 PM.