

Meeting Minutes of Regular Meeting of Hanover Board of Selectmen held at Town Hall on Monday, August 7, 2017 @ 6:00 PM.

Present were Chairman David R. Delaney, Vice-Chair John C. Tuzik, Selectmen: Brian Barthelmes, Jocelyn Keegan and Emmanuel Dockter. Also present: Town Manager Troy B.G. Clarkson and Executive Assistant Ann Lee.

At 6:00 p.m. Chairman Delaney opened the meeting and announced; in accordance with MGL 30A, Section 21 Subsection 2, to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with non-union personnel (Facilities Department Head & Town Manager Contracts); Subsection 3 to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or negotiating position of the body (Police, Fire, AFSCME & HMEL Contracts and pending Police Litigation). Subsection 4 to discuss deployment of security personnel or devices, or strategies with respect thereto: Fireworks Site. The Board WILL reconvene to Open Session.

At 7:19 p.m. the Board returned to Open Session and asked if any member of the audience had any comment or discussion item for the Open Forum portion of the meeting; no response.

The Board met with Michael Cianciola & Walter Sweeney candidates for the Town Manager Act Review Committee. The Board made a motion to take the Town Manager Act Review Committee candidates under advisement and to appoint at the next meeting.

The Board met with Donald White regarding his interest in serving on the Information Technology Study Committee. The Board voted to appoint Donald White to the Information Technology Study Committee.

The Board met with Christopher Falco regarding his interest in serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals. The TM noted there are currently two vacancies, a full member and an associate member and that prior to appointing someone to fill the associate member seat the Board will need to appoint someone to the full member position. The Board voted to take the Talent Bank Application from Christopher Falco under advisement.

The Board met with Jay Flanagan from Jayden Motor Sport, Inc. regarding his application for a Class II Auto License – continued from July 10th (Mr. Flanagan’s attorney Jeff Lally was also present). Chairman Delaney recused himself from this topic and Vice-Chairman Tuzik assumed the duties as Chairman. Mr. Flanagan provided the Board with an amended application and noted he is not planning on selling vehicles he uses vehicles all over the country for his business and would like to take advantage of the State and Internet vehicle auctions and invited Board members to visit the site. The vehicles will not be stored at 275 Circuit Street. Vice-Chairman Tuzik noted he met with Mr. Flanagan and noted the need for a license if he only plans to buy vehicles and not sell them and the precedent set by the Board if the license is approved for licenses that have been denied to businesses in Town. The Board inquired if the applicant’s Attorney is aware of this type of license being issued in the State; Attorney Lally noted he was not aware of a specific situation. Attorney Lally noted the license allows Mr. Flanagan access to auctions and down the line he may

sell the vehicles. The Board noted the modified application provided is not the same as the one that the Hearing was opened with; the TM noted there are slight modifications which would be considered the same application. The TM explained the abutter notification process. The TM noted there is a police officer in Town who reviews license compliance. The Board requested Town Counsel provide input on precedent setting if the license is issued. Attorney Lally offered to withdraw or continue the application to provide some cases. The Board voted to continue the Hearing for the Class II Auto License for Jayden Motor Sport, Inc. to a date to be determined. At 8:23 p.m. Chairman Delaney returned to the meeting.

Veteran's Agent Michael Thorp met with the Board to discuss Veterans Services. Mr. Thorp noted there are 650 veterans in Town which is one of the lowest numbers in the area. The law is based on population; the Veterans are being served in Hanover. Mr. Thorp noted he doesn't see the need for a full-time agent in Town. Assistant Town Manager Tony Marino noted he is the Assistant Veteran's Agent for the Town and is here to provide full time coverage. Syd Elliott provided concerns on the matter noting his own personal encounter. The TM noted a full time Agent can be put in the budget for next year noting the Board is committed to providing the highest level of services to Veterans. The Board requested the TM reach out to the Department of Veterans Services on what duties are allowable. The Board voted to request the TM to pursue discussions with the Town Administrator in Hanson regarding communication received and to look into other options of forming a district of adjoining towns and report back to this Board.

Chairman Delaney informed the audience that the vote on the 2017-2020 Agreements for Police, Fire, HMEL & AFSCME will take place at a special meeting scheduled for August 22nd at 9:00 a.m.

The Director of Community Services noted there is no concern with the return of the Gravel Removal Performance Bond. The Board voted to authorize the return of a \$3,000.00 Performance Bond to Christopher Graham for a Gravel Removal Permit at 455 Broadway.

The TM provided an update on the Finance Department reorganization. Currently Eric Kinsher's firm is providing municipal consulting. Mr. Kinsher provided the Board with his background and noted he has been in the Treasurer/Collector's Office since March and the department is running well. The TM noted the current Acting Finance Director performs at a high level and could be promoted to the Finance Director position. The TM explained the Finance Department Reorganization chart (attached). The Board voted to approve the Finance Department Reorganization as presented. The Board requested a policy for a timeline on temporary reorganizations.

Fire Chief Blanchard and Deputy Chief Cavallaro met and reviewed with the Board to discuss the Narrative Statement for Hiring of Firefighters with the attached PowerPoint presentation. The TM noted the grant is awarded in the amount of \$712,427 to hire four Firefighter/Para-medics and asked for the Board's guidance on how best to proceed. Vice-Chairman Tuzik made a motion to accept the Safer Grant; the motion was not second.

The Board discussed the two vacancies on the Fireworks Site Focus Committee. The TM noted one vacancy is due to the resignation of the former Conservation Agent and the resignation of the Chairman. The Board discussed the Conservation Agent being a member of the Committee. The Board voted to appoint the Acting Conservation Agent (Sandra MacFarlane) as a member of the Fireworks Site Focus Committee.

Town Manager Report: Follow up on weekly correspondence

- The TM reported new owners of Merchants Row will be filing plans soon. The northern portion of the building may be torn down. The plan includes a civic space as well; all of these plans are speculative.
- The TM reviewed Nicholas Calabro's Eagle Scout project which involved building a trail bridge with planking over wetlands.
- The TM, Police and Fire Chief's recorded an "Ask the Manager" show on the Fireworks Site which included the DEP and the State Police. There is a tentative Public Meeting scheduled for September 20th pending the availability of the Bomb Squad and DEP. Daily denotations continue at the site.
- The Community Cookout/Ribbon Cutting ceremony for Town Hall for September 19th or 20th.
- The TM reported he met with Mass Housing Partnership to gain understanding on collaboration for free consulting services for housing. A proposed meeting is scheduled to include the Planning Board on September 27th.

State Representative DeCoste was present and reported:

- A marijuana bill was signed which will allow Towns to opt out of recreational marijuana.
- Budget collections are up and cuts may not be necessary.
- There is a full time Veterans Agent in Norwell and Rockland (three days) which is considered full time.

Selectman Barthelmes noted he provided the charge of the Town Manager Act Committee and requested the Board review it prior to the next meeting.

Meeting ended and adjourned at 10:45 PM.