

Meeting Minutes of Regular Meeting of Hanover Board of Selectmen held at Town Hall on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 @ 9:00 AM.

At 9:00 a.m. Chairman Delaney opened the meeting and asked if any member of the audience had any comment or discussion item for the Open Forum portion of the meeting; Syd Elliott voiced his concerns regarding the Town not having a full-time Veterans Agent and that the Town is in violation with the current service not being a contiguous town; noting Duxbury is the other town being served by the Veterans Agent. The TM noted they have been working with the Commonwealth Department of Veterans Services and surrounding towns for a few years. They have discussed forming a regional district and asking the DVS for a waiver for the lack of a full-time agent. There have been multiple discussions with them, but there isn't a resolution; Representative DeCoste will be scheduling a meeting with the Secretary of Veterans Services; no date has been set yet. Chairman Delaney asked if any Veteran in Town feels they are not being properly served to please reach out.

Vice-Chairman Tuzik made a motion to approve the 2017-2020 Agreements for The Hanover Police Union, The Professional Firefighters of Hanover Local 2726, I.A.F.F., The Hanover Municipal Employees League (HMEL) and The Hanover Department of Public Works Employees AFSCME, Council 93, Local 1700, AFL-CIO; Selectman Barthelmes seconded the motion; Selectman Dockter requested the Board have an opportunity to discuss the Agreements noting they are above a 2% increase. The TM noted in addition to the 2% increase in base was done by design; it is an investment in our people; the future budget will be based on these priorities. Selectman Dockter inquired as to when the Board was informed about going above the 2%; the TM noted the Board was updated during executive sessions over the last year. Vice-Chairman Tuzik noted the motion and seconded and asked for a vote; the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agreements. The Board agreed that going forward whoever is the lead for the Board will be the sole point of contact and there will not be individual Board members meeting with unions.

The Board voted to accept the Safer Grant Award.

The Board agreed to move the goal setting meeting to September 18th and have a regular meeting on September 5th.

The TM updated the Board on a recent site visit to MA Organic Therapy where it was noted there was a Curaleaf logo is being used; further noting the permits from the Planning Board and the Community Benefit Agreement negotiated with the Selectmen were with MA Organic Therapy. MA Organic Therapy will come in to meet with the Board to adjust the agreement currently in place.

The TM informed the Board that PREP met with the Town Planner regarding residential plans for the Mall; noting it just exploratory at this time. The Board requested to be kept informed on this as it was not originally presented this way.

Meeting ended and adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

APPROVED
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