

Meeting Minutes of Regular Meeting of Hanover Board of Selectmen held at Town Hall on Monday, October 3, 2016 @ 7:00 PM.

Present were Chairman Brian Barthelmes, Vice-Chairman Susan Setterland, Selectmen, Robert S. O'Rourke, David R. Delaney and John C. Tuzik. Also present: Town Manager Troy B.G. Clarkson and Executive Assistant Ann Lee.

At 7:02 PM Chairman Barthelmes 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; no response.

The Board voted to approve a One-Day Wine & Malt License to Jenna Gomes at the Cardinal Cushing Centers 375 Washington Street on November 15th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for the Donor Appreciation Dinner.

The Board voted to authorize the Chairman to sign letters to the License Holders regarding MGL c. 138 §12 and §15 Licenses relative to House Bill H.4569: Grampy's General Store & Coffee Shop, Lindy's General Store, Twins Convenience Store, Hanover Liquors, Vintage Wine & Spirits, 7-Eleven Store #347416, Myette's Country Store, 7-Eleven Store #37403 and Home Spirits.

The Board met with Erica Lussier from Melanson Heath for an update on the FY15 Management Letter; Finance Director Janine Smith and Acting Town Accountant Chelsea Stevens were also present. Ms. Lussier reported out of the ten items mentioned in the Management Letter five have been fully resolved (bank reconciliations, dual signatures on the tax collector and treasurer daily cash out form and adjusting ledgers and journal entries, developed a risk assessment process, reevaluated payroll process review and evaluated indirect costs-water enterprise); four are partially resolved (actuarial report-is in draft form, update tax lien properties in a more timely manner, establish accounting and administrative policy and procedures, establish ambulance receivables policy); and one has not been addressed (prepare for single audit changes – Ms. Lussier noted most Towns have not implemented). Ms. Lussier recognized the Town's recent achievement on receiving the GFOA award for the Budget.

The Board met with Robin McLaughlin and John Dougherty from the Board of Health and Police Chief Walter Sweeney regarding the marijuana legalization initiative and their opposition to the legalization. The Board voted to approve and signed a joint letter from the Board of Selectmen and Board of Health addressed to Governor Baker on the Marijuana Legalization Initiative – Ballot Question #4 (letter attached).

The Board conducted an interview with Patricia Laidler regarding an appointment to the Cultural Council. The Board voted to approve the appointment of Patricia Laidler to the Cultural Council, term to expire June 30, 2019.

The Board received a draft Community Benefit Agreement (attached) regarding Mass Organic Therapy, Inc. Chief Sweeney was present for this discussion and provided comment; security is within DPH requirements; no on premise use allowed; business follows set regulations. Chief Sweeney referenced his letter to the Planning Board (attached). The Chief noted there are some security concerns not for open session discussion. The TM reviewed the Agreement with the Board. The Board confirmed the applicant has been given a letter of non-opposition and directed the TM to revise the agreement to include, payment of property and real estate taxes noting the non-profit status of the dispensary, first year payment be made prior to opening 50-50, annual payment increases by 2½% - 4% per year and a percentage of gross revenue equal to 3% or floor amount of revenues. The TM reported at tonight's Planning Board meeting the Board approved the site plan request for Mass Organic.

The TM provided an update on the Town Hall renovations; bid documents are being finalized; phase I work will begin this fall; the exterior work will begin in the spring; the paint color for Town Hall is down to two colors hunter green and white. The Historic Commission with the support of the Community Preservation Committee believes since historic funds are being used the historic color, hunter green, should be used.

Town Manager Report:

- Follow up on weekly correspondence
- Parks & Rec Committee is working with staff for a "Taste of Hanover" event at Forge Pond Park.
- Signage at Ellis Field; revenue from signs will be rolled into the HYAA MOU. The HYAA MOU will encompass the hierarchy of field use.
- Old Colony Planning Council has a vacant position on the Regional Board.
- Provided the Board with Town Council's response to the Republican Town Committee regarding the issue of a memorial.

Town Planner Peter Matchak provided a brief review on the schedule of Town Hall renovations. The Town Hall color survey is on-going; the two other colors being considered are painted on a small portion of the side of Town Hall.

Chairman Barthelmes 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 8:30 PM.