

APPROVED (10/12/2022)

Minutes for Town of Hadley Bylaw Committee September 13, 2022-Hadley Public Safety Complex

Attendees: Please Circle/Highlight Attendees:

Jim Maksimoski-Co-Chair (Planning Board)

Tom Quinlan-Member (Building Comm./Zoning)

Jessica Spanknebel- Co-Chair (Town Clerk)

Mitch Kuc-Member (LT. Police Department)

Michael Spanknebel- Clerk (Fire Chief)

Daniel Zdonek-Member (Assessors Office)

Mitch Kuc-Member (LT. Police Department)

Ann Hudson-Member (Town Resident)

Tim Neyhart-Member (MBC/Town Resident)

Other/Guest:

Regular Meeting called to order at 10:00 hours by Co-Chair Jim Maksimoski

Draft Meeting Minutes – July 26, 2022

Motion to Approve: A. Hudson

Second: T. Neyhart

Approved: Unanimously

Unfinished Business: No Report

Committee Reports:

A. Hudson reported on Article 1 Section 1-1 and 1-4. Committee was provided with documents referencing different community bylaws to show extremes. Group reviewed and found that some did not fit Hadley but others did. Following review J. spanknebel suggested the group put together a draft version of section 1-1. M. Kuc, D. Zdonek and M. Spanknebel to work on this.

M. Spanknebel reported on Article 1, section 1-3 and provided information on MGL Chapter 148A Code Enforcement Section 2 Local Code Enforcement Officer and Written Notice of Code Violation. This is also a non -criminal citation issued by Fire Chief and Building Commissioner. M. Spanknebel felt it would be a good idea to add this to this section. M. Spanknebel to put together clear language for review by committee on section 1-3.

M. Spanknebel and T. Quinlan still working on Article 1, Section 1-5. Waiting on Board of Health and will schedule meeting with DPW Director on Water Rules. T. Neyhart asked about a bylaw regarding mowing and blowing leaves, grass, etc. into the roadway as this is extremely hazardous for motorcyclists and bicyclists. This will also be reviewed by M. Spanknebel and T. Quinlan with DPW Director.

D. Zdonek reported on Chapter 6. Section 6-3 subsection B add “Responsible for compiling”. Chapter 6. Section 6-3 subsection G change to “Coordinates the activities of Town Departments”.

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Reported to group that Carolyn would like to put together bylaw for Fall on Food and Beer Trucks, General Use of Town property. Also, Select Board wants committee to create bylaw for use of Town property by Town Employees or elected and appointed officials. Group discussed and felt that this should be a policy put forward by the Select Board.

J. Spanknebel reported on Chapter 11-COA and she stated that there is a question regarding terms of office. Section 11-2 – with three-year terms for each succeeding member was left off.

M. Kuc reported on Chapter 17-Alcoholic Beverages and feels section is good as this section is very rarely enforced and mostly used as educational or for keg seizure. M. Kuc also reported on Chapter 24-Animals and stated that the new Animal Control Officer for Hadley has been brought into the loop on this and will review and come in to provide any potential updates. M. Kuc will schedule for the next meeting.

J. Maksimoski reported on Chapter 36-Business Establishments and feels that the Chapter is fine however drastically lacking. Feels that this Chapter may be a good place for Food and Beer Trucks as well as Entertainment. Food trucks were permitted for one day and any extended stay was not allowed or else restroom facilities and working water closet would be required to be provided on site. Food and Beer Trucks and trailers also requires up to date registrations.

New Business: Group continued review of Bylaws and additional chapters assigned to individuals.

Chapter 42 – Capital Planning – Assigned to Dan Zdonek for review

Chapter 49- Community Preservation Committee – Assigned to Jim Maksimoski for review

Chapter 53 – Constables – M. Kuc suggested to the committee that this Chapter be stricken in its entirety. J. Spanknebel believes this may be allowed and will follow up. M. Kuc stated that with the new “POST” requirements that state that anyone with arrest powers are required to have the fulltime academy. Also, PD could post notices and warrants and already provide officers at elections and Town Meetings. J. Spanknebel requested that Chief Mason or LT Kuc put together bullet point list of why we should strike this section. A. Hudson also added that she feels it is a duplication of effort and potentially a liability to the Town if it remains in the Bylaws.

Chapter 68 – Elections and Meetings – Assigned to Jess Spanknebel for review

Chapter 75 – Farming – Assigned to A. Hudson for review

Chapter 80 – Fees – Assigned to Mike and Jess Spanknebel for review

Chapter 86 – Finance and Taxation – Assigned to Tom Quinlan for review

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Chapter 87 – Affordable Housing Trust Fund – Assigned to Tim Neyhart for review

Chapter 220 – Stretch Energy Building Code – – Assigned to Tim Neyhart for review

J. Maksimoski reported that Amy Fyden has now been appointed to this committee however it will be confirmed with Carolyn.

Barbara Nichols will set up Drop Box for committee

Next meeting to be held: October 12, 2022 at 9:30 hours.

Meeting Adjourned – 12:00 hours

Respectfully submitted by Michael Spanknebel

Clerk-Hadley Bylaw Committee

Fire Chief-Town of Hadley