



Wednesday, March 31, 2021  
Select Board Minutes  
Zoom Meeting ID: 99053832034 – 5:30 PM

Pursuant to notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Select Board was held at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom as a virtual meeting for the Town of Hadley.

Present were: David J. Fill, II., Chair; Christian Stanley, Clerk; Joyce Chunglo, Member; Jane Nevinsmith, Member; John Waskiewicz, Member  
Also present were Carolyn Brennan, Town Administrator, Jennifer Sanders James, Assistant Procurement Officer; Linda Sanderson, Town Treasurer, Jerrold Trehey, Resident; Kishore Parmar; Resident; Tommie Quinlan, Building Inspector; Mark Britton, Resident; Paul Narus, Resident; Davidner Kaur, Resident; Wendy Desforges, Resident; Susan Glowatsky, Town Collector; William Dwyer, Planning Board Member; Kimberly Gagne, Resident; Rob Baranowski, Resident; Chris Okafor, DPW Director; Dan Zdonek, Assessor; Janet Trehey, Resident; Johnny Mieczkowski, JR.; Resident; Hayley Wood, COA Director; Michael Hutchins, Resident; Donald Allison, Attorney; Kevin O'Brien, Resident; Amy Lanham, CDEI member

1. Call to Order

1.1 Call to order

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by David Fill, Select Board Chair.

David Fill announces that this meeting is being recorded and that all votes will be taken by roll call and in attendance from the Select Board are David Fill, Jane Nevinsmith, Joyce Chunglo, John Waskiewicz, and Christian Stanley.

2. Consent Agenda

2.1 Consent Agenda

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| Warrants | AP2138;AP2138S;AP2139S;AP2139 |
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Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion: Chunglo                      Second: Stanley

Roll Call Vote: Fill: Aye, Chunglo: Aye; Stanley: Aye; Nevinsmith: Aye; Waskiewicz: Aye

3. Public Comments

3.1 Public Comments

Amy Fyden states she doesn't feel that the town should be involved in the Gorse Children's Center at Mt. Holyoke College.

Kishor Parmar states that businesses along Route 9 are having problems with MASS DOT not providing fair compensation for Exotic Auto and other businesses.

Rob Baranowski wants to discuss the campers along the river.

Wendy Desforges states Conservation is charging outrageous fees for campers.



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#### 4. Town Administrator Report

##### 4.1 Town Administrator Report

Carolyn Brennan announces the following upcoming events:

Easter Bunny Parade this Saturday  
Annual Town Election on April 13<sup>th</sup>  
Excise Bills are due on April 1<sup>st</sup>  
Candidates' Night on April 5<sup>th</sup> on Zoom

#### 5. Appointments

##### 5.1 Veteran's Work off Program 5:45

Hayley Woods, COA Director asks the Select Board to instate the Veteran's Tax Work Off program.

Motion to start Veteran's Services program in the Town of Hadley.

Motion: Chunglo Second: Nevinsmith

Roll Call Vote: Fill: Aye, Chunglo: Aye; Stanley: Aye; Nevinsmith: Aye; Waskiewicz: Aye

##### 5.2 Exotic Auto 6:00

David Fill states that MASS DOT told us every business is happy and that the project is going great.

Paul Narus states MASS DOT offered to help us and would help to relocate us. MASS DOT said they would help him relocate and that they would be fair, but what they are offering is too little for me to relocate on Route 9. They only assess the property not the business.

Carolyn Brennan states that she has spoken to Dan Carey and he is talking to MASS DOT. She will check in with him again and will speak to Senator's Jo Comerford's office as well.

Kishore Parmar states that there are 4 businesses haven't completed their agreements with MASS DOT yet.

##### 5.3 FY22 Budget Discussion with Finance Committee 6:15

The Finance Committee will be meeting with departments following the schedule below:

April 6 – Education, Police and Fire

April 12 – Board of Health, Council on Aging, Veteran's and Library

April 21 – General Government

April 22- Public Works

April 27 – Finance Committee votes on budget

April 28- Meet with Select Board



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Amy Fyden, Chair of Finance Committee states that she supports all employees, not just in the union.

David Fill states that he doesn't want too but we are going to have to raise taxes.

David Fill invites the Finance Committee to every Select Board meeting during budget season.

## 6. New Business

### 7. Old Business

#### 7.1 Hadleaf Community Host Agreements

Hadleaf provided the Town of Hadley with an updated Community Host Agreement with their new address and the Select Board is asked to sign.

Motion to approve the new Community Host Agreement with Hadleaf.

Motion: Chunglo                      Second: Stanley

Roll Call Vote: Fill: Aye, Chunglo: Aye; Stanley: Aye; Nevinsmith: Aye; Waskiewicz: Aye

#### 7.2 COVID-19 Update

Carolyn Brennan offers an update on COVID-19 stating that Town Hall is open in a hybrid mode and we have moved some offices upstairs to help the flow of traffic. We have also hired a part-time receptionist out of the CARES ACT money to help sign people in and maintain numbers in offices.

#### 7.3 River By-Law Committee Rule approval

Tommie Quinlan asks that we are ready to start issuing permits for campers along the river. The permits will be good for 3 years at \$100.00 per camper, so roughly \$33.00 a year.

Bill Dwyer states that the by-laws have always been there they just hadn't been enforced.

Johnny Mieczkowski, Jr., states that Conservation Commission wasn't upfront with their fees and that they are really high.

David Fill and Joyce Chunglo both express concerns about the Conservation Commission fees.

David Fill asks that Conservation Commission come to the next Select Board meeting.

Mark Britton states that we don't know what these fees are going to be because Conservation Commission didn't disclose them.

Motion to approve the \$100.00 fee

## 8. Other Items Not Anticipated 48 Hours in Advance

### 8.1 Gorse Letter

Christian Stanley states we are just trying to ask how we help you stay open.

Motion to sign letter provided by the CEI committee to Mt. Holyoke College.



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9. Announcements

10. Executive Session

10.1 Executive Session - Contract negotiations -- Town Treasurer

Motion to enter into executive session per MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21(a) (2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel and not to reconvene in open session.

Motion: Chunglo                      Second: Stanley  
Roll Call Vote: Fill: Aye, Chunglo: Aye; Stanley: Aye; Nevinsmith: Aye; Waskiewicz: Aye

David Fill states as Chair of the Hadley Select Board, I state that the Board has moved and seconded to enter into executive session, and that I state the discussing the matter in open session will have an adverse effect on the Town of Hadley.

11. Adjournment

11.1 Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned to executive session and did not reconvene in open session.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Sanders James