

Zoom Meeting ID: 853 8729 9867

Pursuant to notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Select Board was held at 6:00p.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; Dan Zdonek, Assessor; William Dwyer, Planning Board; Bruce Brewer, Resident; Randy Izer, Moderator; Susan Glowatsky, Collector; Shel Horowitz, Resident; John Allen, Resident; Rorie Woods, Resident; Joan Zuzgo, Resident; Stephen Miller, Pride; Diane Nevinsmith, Resident; Tommie Quinlan, Building Inspector; Toni Lynn Morelli, Resident; Paulina Peltier, Pride; Courtney Blajda, Resident; Susan Mosler, Board of Health; Nicholas Amanti, Pride; Safiya Fox, Public; Ray Spezeski, Resident; Gerry Harvey, Resident; Pat Melnik, Resident; Regina Roy, Public; Rosalie Weinberg, Resident; Melinda Nielsen, Resident; Diana Scherrer, Public; David Waskiewicz, Resident; Christina Miller, Pride; Paulette Kuzdeba, Resident; Chris Okafor, DPW Director; Hayley Woods, COA Director; Claire Arenius, Resident; Jim Channing, Pride; Hayes Winik, Public; Jack Czajkowski, Resident; Melissa Frydlo, Friends of Lake Warner; Kenneth Talan, Resident; Mike Mason, Chief of Police, Michael Spanknebel, Fire Chief; Margaret Mastrangelo, Board of Health; Jeff Blake, Town Counsel; Dina Friedman, Resident; Lynne Edwards, Resident; Lynne Hinkle, Public; John Edwards, Resident; Wade Vandoloski, Resident; Mark Dunn, Planning Board; Andrew Bombardier, ZBA, 5 additional attendees who did not identify themselves

## 1. Call to Order

#### 1.1 Call to order

The Select Board will convene a meeting on Wednesday, January 5, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom Meeting: 853 8729 9867 there and then to act on the following agenda.

#### **ON-LINE AGENDA**

The Select Board agenda is posted on-line at www.hadleyma.org

- 1. Bring up the Town website using the URL above.
- 2. Select "Select Board" from the drop down menu.
- 3. Select "BoardDocs LT"
- 4. Click on "Meetings" tab.
- 5. Select the appropriate meeting from the dates offered.
- 6. Click "View Meeting" and you can follow the progress of the meeting.

The public may access the meeting remotely by using a computer or telephone and follow the instructions below:



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Topic: Select Board Meeting

Time: Jan 5, 2022 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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**3/13/20 BOSTON** – The Baker-Polito Administration announced an emergency order temporarily modifying the state's open meeting law in order to allow state, quasi and local governments to continue to carry out essential functions and operations during the ongoing COVID-19 outbreak.

This emergency order suspends the requirement for public access to the physical location where a public meeting is taking place, provided there are other means of access available. This includes the use of a phone conference line for members of the public, social media or other internet streaming services, on-line meeting services, or methods of access.

Both the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) have advised residents to take extra measures to put distance between themselves and other people to further reduce the risk of being exposed to COVID-19. Additionally, the CDC and DPH have advised high-risk individuals, including people over the age of 60, anyone with underlying health conditions or a weakened immune system, and pregnant women, to avoid large gatherings.

Additionally, the order relieves the requirement that a quorum of members be physically present at a public meeting. During this period, members may all participate by remote or virtual means. This order is applicable to meetings of public bodies including commissions, boards, and committees that engage in policy making at the state, quasi and local level, and it does not apply to Town Meetings or judicial and quasi-judicial hearings. It follows Governor Baker's declaration of a State of Emergency on Wednesday, March 11, and it will remain in place until rescinded or the State of Emergency is terminated.

The full text of the Governor's order may be found here: <a href="https://41g41s33vxdd2vc05w415s1e-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/OpenMtgLaw ExecOrder Mar32020.pdf">https://41g41s33vxdd2vc05w415s1e-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/OpenMtgLaw ExecOrder Mar32020.pdf</a>

- 2. Consent Agenda
- 2.1 Consent Agenda



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Warrants	AP2224, AP2224S, AP2225, AP2226, AP2226S, AP2227, AP2227S, PR2213, PR2214
Minutes	September 30, 2020; January 6, 2021; January 13, 2021; January 20, 2021, February 3, 2021

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion: Chunglo Second: Waskiewicz

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

# 3. Town Administrator Report

# 3.1 Town Administrator Report

Carolyn Brennan states that Jennifer Sanders James has received her MCPPO designation as a Massachusetts Certified Public Purchasing Official from the Office of the Inspector General.

- We are also requesting nominations for the dedication of the Annual Report and for the Oakley Award for Volunteerism.

# 4. Appointments

#### 4.1 Pride - Transfer of License - 6:30

This is a transfer of license request for license number 00065-PK-0482 from. Pride Convenience Holdings LLC. to Pride Operating LLC.

Nicholas Amanti, attorney for Pride explains the transfer of the off premise wine and malt license.

Motion to approve the transfer of license 00065-PK-0482 to Pride Operating LLC.

Motion: Parsons Second: Nevinsmith

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

## 4.2 Friends of Lake Warner - Dam Naming Ceremony Program -6:45

Melissa Frydlo from the Friends of Lake Warner will discuss a possible new program - "Friends of Lake Warner / Town of Hadley Dam Naming Ceremony Program". Consider listing it on the agenda as Phase 1 - dam naming ceremony and phase 2 - peninsula contemplation area.

Melissa Frydlo offers an explanation for the new dam naming program and ask for the Select Board to support the initiative as the begin work on Phase 1.

Jane Nevinsmith asks if the Select Board can do a proclamation.

Melissa Frydlo states that she will work with Carolyn on the proclamation.

#### 5. Old Business

#### **5.1 2022 License Renewals**



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The Select Board is asked to approve the following license renewals that came in after December 15, 2021 but before the December 31, 2021 deadline.

North Hadley Sugar Shack - Entertainment License

Panera Bread - Common Victualler

Spectra (Mullins Center) - Common Victualler, Skating Rink, Sunday Entertainment,

Entertainment

Exotic Service - Class II

Exotic Repair - Class II

River Drive Auto Body - Class II

Mitch's Marina - Common Victualler

Genji- Common Victualler

Old Hadley's Flea Market - Flea Market

Applebee's - Entertainment License

Greggory's Pastry - Common Victualler

Jennifer Sanders James states that all of these licensees submitted their paperwork before December 31, 2021 and all documentation is in order. She asks that the Select Board approve the licenses.

Motion to approve licenses.

Motion: Chunglo Second: Nevinsmith

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

#### 6. New Business

# **6.1 Climate Change Committee**

The Climate Change Committee will present to the Select Board a Climate Awareness event and a request for a single use plastic bag ban.

Jack Czajkowski, Chair of the Climate Change Committee speaks to an upcoming climate date event that the committee would like to host in April in as part of an Earth Day Celebration. They are still working on the details, but will host a cleanup day again and partner with the Hadley Mother's Club recycling day.

Bruce Brewer, member of the Climate Change Committee asks the Select Board to assign the committee as liaison to work with them on a single use plastic bag ban for the upcoming Annual Town Meeting.

The Select Board agrees and Jane Nevinsmith volunteers to be the liaison for the warrant article since she is already the liaison for the committee.

Motion to appoint Jane Nevinsmith as the Climate Change Committee Plastic Bag Ban warrant article liaison.

Motion: Waskiewicz Second: Chunglo

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

# 6.2 Chapter 61A Land Removal - Right of First Refusal South Maple Street



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The Select Board will vote on the Right of First Refusal for Chapter 61A land – Parcel 16-1 and 17, Map 10A.

Motion to waive right of first refusal for Parcel 16-1 and 17, Map 10A on South Maple Street.

Motion: Chunglo Second: Parsons

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

## **6.3 Public Comments**

The public comment period is a time for the public to bring their concerns before the Select Board. The Board will hear public comments for 15 minutes. Please limit your comments to 3 minutes so that other members of the public may have an opportunity to speak.

In general, the Board will take all items and issues raised under advisement. Requests that can be addressed administratively will be referred to the appropriate department head for action. Requests for public documents will be handled according to law.

If the Chair of the Select Board calls for public comments, and after all public comments are heard, and if there is still time available, the Chair may close that portion of the meeting agenda and move to other items on the agenda.

David Fill, Chair of the Select Board offered 2 opportunities for public comments at this meeting the first at the beginning of the meeting and the second opportunity before the Senior Center Vaccine Policy Select Board discussion. The first comment period was for non-COVID related items.

No member of the public spoke during the first public comments period.

The following members of the public spoke at the second public comment period either in favor or against the Senior Center Vaccine Policy.

Steven (no last name)

Hayley Wood, COA Director

Shel Horowitz

Regina Roy

Dina Friedman

CC – Coral (no last name)

Mariana (no last name)

John Allen

Claire Arenius

Bruce Brewer

Helen Blatz

Randy Izer

Kenneth Talan

Lynne Edwards

Mark Dunn

Wade Vandoloski



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#### **6.4 Senior Center Vaccine Policy**

The Select Board will discuss and vote on whether to implement the vaccine policy at the Senior Center. Other mitigation options may be discussed, i.e., reduced hours or closure.

The Select Board discusses the vaccine mandate that was voted on by the Board of Health at their December 30<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Michael Mason and Michael Spanknebel both requests that this matter be brought before the town's unified command for discussion before the Select Board acts on the matter.

The Select Board concurs with the consensus that this matter should have been brought to the unified command before it was voted on by the Board of Health or the Select Board.

Motion to hold a unified command meeting to discuss the vaccine mandate before bringing it back to the Select Board.

Motion: Chunglo Second: Nevinsmith

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

Jeff Blake, Town Counsel states that there is not an enforcement piece to the vaccine mandate and that would need to be put in place before the Select Board can vote on the matter.

Michael Spanknebel states that by holding a unified command meeting this will allow for the town to develop a unified plan and that he has no opinion on whether the public buildings need to be opened or closed right now due to the Omicron surge.

Carolyn Brennan and Michael Spanknebel will schedule a Unified Command meeting.

Hayley Wood and Patrick Borezo will be included in the meeting.

Motion that the Select Board not adopts order of the Board of Health dated December 30, 2021 regarding vaccine requirements for the Council on Aging Building.

Motion: Parson Second: Chunglo

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

Michael Mason asks that Jeff Blake be present at the Unified Command meeting so that the town can receive legal opinions of their decisions.

John Waskiewicz thanks everyone for their public comments whether they were for or against the mandate.



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# 7. Other Items Not Anticipated 48 Hours in Advance

#### 8. Announcements

Joyce Chunglo would like to thank the COA for sharing their kitchens with the American Legion for their last Legion supper, the ovens went out and the COA stepped in and saved the day. Jane Nevinsmith announces that that as thank you the cooks of the Legion dinner will be cooking a roast beef dinner for the COA as a fundraiser on February 20 and tickets are \$25.00. Joyce Chunglo offers the Select Board's condolences to the families of Doug Rae, Ted Mieczkowski, Jane Underwood, Patricia Kicza, George Dragon, and John Kieras. David Fill states that he knows that there was a problem with the ice on the roadways this morning. There are a couple of issues with the salt supply and lack of delivery. The DPW is also down 2 sanders and the mechanic was sent to Lancaster MA, today to pick up the needs parts. He is repairing the sanders right now.

#### 9. Executive Session

## 9.1 Executive Session – Litigation

The Select Board will enter into executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A s 21 (a) (3) to discuss litigation regarding the matter of Heronemous, Peter vs. Town of Hadley where discussion in open session would have a detrimental effect on the Town's litigation position and the chair so declares.

Motion to enter into executive session and not to reconvene in open session.

Motion: Chunglo Second: Nevinsmith

David Fill states that 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 that discussing the matter in open session will have an adverse effect on the Town of Hadley.

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

# 10. Adjournment

# 10.1 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn

Meeting was adjourned to executive session at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Sanders James