



Wednesday, May 19, 2021
Select Board Minutes
Zoom Meeting ID: 942 3161 7651 – 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; Amy Parsons, Member; Joyce Chunglo, Member; Jane Nevinsmith, Clerk; John Waskiewicz, Member Also present were Carolyn Brennan, Town Administrator, Jennifer Sanders James, Assistant Procurement Officer; Randy Izer, Town Moderator; Dan Zdonek, Assessor; William Dwyer, Planning Board; Jim Maksimoski, Planning Board; Linda Sanderson, Town Treasurer; Susan Glowatsky, Collector; Dr. Susan Mosler, Board of Health; Greg Mish, Board of Health; Margaret Mastrangelo, Board of Health; Amy Fyden, Finance Committee; Marian Parker, Resident; Dan Dudkiewicz, Resident, Shel Horowitz, Resident; Catalina Arrubla, Resident; Susan Garrett, Resident; Janet Garrett, Resident; Debra Levinson, Resident; Michele Morris-Friedman, Resident; Anne McKenzie, School Superintendent; Tom Quinlan, Building Inspector; Mark Kaminsky, State Energy Commission; Chris Okafor, DPW Director; Rich Niles, Woodard & Curran, Mike Spanknebel, Fire Chief; Mike Mason, Police Chief.

1. Call to Order

1.1 Call to order

The Select Board will convene a meeting on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. in Town Hall, 100 Middle Street, Hadley, MA 01035 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:

Topic: Select Board Meeting

Time: Apr 14, 2021, 05:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/94231617651?pwd=V2ZJRm5YYUdBSjRmVHk1L3lkR1BnUT09>



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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: https://41g41s33vxdd2vc05w415s1e-wpengine.netdna-ssl.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/OpenMtgLaw_ExecOrder_Mar32020.pdf

This meeting was called to order by chair David Fill. All members were present, and all votes will be taken via roll call. This meeting is being recorded.

2. Public Comments

2.1 Public Comments

Marian Parker spoke in favor of opting out of the State’s aerial spraying program to control mosquitos. She also spoke in favor of the Mass DEP’s plan for the limited use of pesticides as well as appropriate education and personal protection. Shel Horowitz also spoke in favor of opting out of the State’s spraying program based upon personal liberties. Janet Garrett, Michael Docter, Deborah Levinson, and Michele Morris-Friedman all supporting opting out as well.



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3. New Business

3.1 Mosquito Aerial Spraying

Greg Mish reported that the Board of Health had voted 3-0 on May 4 to opt out of the State aerial spraying program.

Carolyn Brennan reported that there is an opt-out application process offered by the State, but very confusing. Some local towns are opting out while others are opting in. Carolyn had also reached out to Senator Comerford's office regarding legislation filed regarding the opt-out.

John Waskiewicz reported that spraying in the Eastern part of the State and Narragansett Bay resulted in little or no effect on water supplies primarily because of the accuracy of the spraying.

Jane Nevinsmith mentioned that the plan by the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District is to spray only when there is a problem.

Margaret Mastrangelo inquired as to the Select Board's position. Joyce Chunglo reminded everyone that the Town had voted in favor of spraying at the last Town meeting. Greg Mish shared that the Board of Health would take on the responsibility of working on this issue and recommend action towards controlling mosquitos without spraying.

Motion to opt out of spraying this season and to allow the Board of Health to take on the mosquito control issue and the opt-out paperwork due to the State by May 28.

Motion: Nevinsmith Second: Chunglo

Roll Call Vote: Fill: No; Nevinsmith: No; Chunglo: Yes; Waskiewicz: No; Parsons: No.

Motion to place the spraying issue back onto the Fall Town meeting agenda.

Moved: Chunglo Second: Nevinsmith

Roll Call Vote: Fill: Yes; Nevinsmith: Yes; Chunglo: Yes; Waskiewicz: Yes; Parsons: Yes.

4. Old Business

4.1 Annual Town Meeting Public Forum

Jennifer Sanders James shared a PowerPoint related to the Town Meeting Warrant Review intended to educate voters prior to the Town Meeting.

Carolyn Brennan walked through the 7 Consent Articles and other Articles on the Town Meeting agenda. Some clarifications were made by the Finance Committee, the Town Moderator, the



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Planning Board, the DPW, Mark Kaminsky from the State Energy Commission, Rich Niles from Woodard & Curran, the Treasurer, Town Collector, Fire Chief, and Police Chief.

5. Other Items Not Anticipated 48 Hours in Advance

None.

6. Adjournment

6.1 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn

Motion: Chunglo

Second: Nevinsmith

Roll Call Vote: Fill: Yes; Nevinsmith: Yes; Chunglo: Yes; Waskiewicz: Yes; Parsons: Yes.

APPROVED