



**Wednesday, August 16, 2023
Select Board Meeting Agenda**

Hadley Senior Center at 46 Middle St., Hadley MA, 01035 at 6:00 pm

Present were: Amy Parsons, Chair; Joyce Chunglo, Clerk; Randy Izer, Member; Jane Nevinsmith, Member; and Molly Keegan, Member. Also present were Jennifer Sanders-James, Licensing Coordinator; Troy Brin, HR Director; Scott McCarthy, DPW Director; Tony Horton, Chief Water Operator; Police Chief Mike Mason; Linda Sanderson, Town Treasurer; Susan Glowatsky, Town Collector; Alex Lamarche, Hadley Media; Dan Zdonek, Town Assessor; DeDe DiBrindisi, Building Inspection; William Dwyer, Planning Board; Jim Maksimoski, Planning Board; Tyler Henseler, Attorney for Texas Roadhouse; Adan Alarcon, Manager of Texas Roadhouse; and Mike Spanknebel, Fire Chief.

1. Call to Order

1.1 Call to order

The Select Board convened a hybrid meeting on Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hadley Senior Center at 46 Middle Street, Hadley, MA 01035 and on Zoom Meeting ID: 856 0953 8514 there and then to act on the following agenda.

Amy Parsons announced that this meeting was being recorded and that nobody else was recording.

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

Jennifer Sanders James is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Select Board Meeting

Time: Aug 16, 2023 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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2. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

3. Consent Agenda

Warrants	AP2404INS, AP2404, AP2404V, AP2404S, PR2328, PR2401, AP2406S, AP2406, AP2406DPW, PR2402, AP2405, AP2405S
Minutes	
One Day Liquor Licenses	Top of the Campus - McGuirk Stadium Concourse Concessions, South Hospitality Area - 09/09/23, 09/23/23, 09/30/23, 10/07/23, 11/04/23,
Automatic Amusement Licenses	Lucky Duck Vending - 2 Locations: 1 License at Mi Tierra at 48 Russell Street and 2 licenses at Hampshire Mall at 367 Russell Street

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda except for the one-day liquor licenses for UMass.

Motion: Keegan Second: Izer

Roll call vote: Parsons, Aye; Keegan, Aye; Nevinsmith, Aye; Chunglo, Aye; Izer, Aye.
Vote: 5-0-0

4. Appointments

4.1 Texas Roadhouse - Change of Manager 6:30 pm

Motion to accept the Change of Manager Application for Texas Roadhouse.
Texas Roadhouse requested a Change of Manager for their location at 280 Russell Street. The new manager is Adan Alarcon.

Tyler Heneseler, attorney for the Texas Roadhouse, spoke on behalf of his client regarding the management change. Adan Alarcon summarized his experience with Texas Roadhouse and within the industry.

Motion to approve the name change on the liquor license to Adan Alarcon.

Motion: Nevinsmith Second: Keegan

Roll call vote: Parsons, Aye; Keegan, Aye; Nevinsmith, Aye; Chunglo, Aye; Izer, Aye.

Vote: 5-0-0

5. Old Business

5.1 Boards and Committees Applications

The Select Board reviewed the applications that they have received lately for the boards and committees' openings.

Jennifer Sanders James presented an update relative to the feedback received from residents who are willing and able to serve voluntarily. Likewise, there are still a few positions unfilled. Anyone who is willing and able to serve should contact Jennifer Sanders- James. There a couple of instances wherein residents have expressed interest in more than one committee/board.

Randy Izer suggested that an interview may be appropriate for the open position on the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA). Linda LeDuc had resigned and there has been only one applicant.

6. New Business

6.1 Russell School RFQ Review Group

The Select Board discussed who will be involved in the reviewing of the RFQ for Russell School.

Jennifer Sanders James clarified that the review shall be performed by Twon employees and a Select Board member. The Group would include Carolyn Brennan, Gary Berg, Jennifer Sanders James, Tom Quinlan, and Amy Parsons. The RFQ had not been made available to potential respondents.

6.2 Mt. Warner Wells - Update

Scott McCarthy, DPW Director and Tony Horton, Chief Water Operator discussed the Water Asset Management Plan and the refurbishing of the Mt. Warner Wells.

Scott McCarthy started by stating that the DPW understands what needs to be done.

Scott McCarthy further stated that what is needed right now to get started is funding. Scott added that there is no grant available for building a water treatment facility. Scott did state that there are low interest loans available for a new water treatment facility with an approximate price tag of \$12 million.

Scott McCarthy also stated that the Town should own some of the land that abuts the Mt. Warner wells in order to keep people away from the water supply and to comply with a State mandate that there be 400 feet from the well as a boundary/buffer. Scott MCarthy stated that current abutting property owners have not offered or agreed to sell some of the abutting property to the Town to create such a buffer.

Tony Horton provided a historical perspective relating to the Mt. Warner wells. Tony Horton started at 2007 when the wells were shut down due to underground chemical contamination. Tony Horton confirmed that the Town has never had a water treatment facility at the Mt. Warner wells.

Scott McCarthy followed up by stating that the Mt. Warner wells is a good source of water now that most of the underground chemicals have seemingly disappeared. Scott McCarthy mentioned, however, that before the wells are really useable, the water should be treated via a treatment facility. Without a treatment plant, the water really would not meet mandated standards.

In answer to Jane Nevinsmith's question, Scott McCarthy stated in summary, that all of this is a State mandate that is not funded.

Molly Keegan asked if the Town would have enough water to meet future needs if the Mt. Warner wells were to be placed back online. Scott McCarthy responded that the Town would have more than enough water. Scott McCarthy added that if the Mt. Warner wells were back online, less strain would be placed on the Callahan wells during the summer months.

Molly Keegan asked if the Town will be able to secure some State funding if it was prudent to share the Town's water with UMass who often seeks other sources of water. Scott McCarthy replied that there is no source of funding currently available at the State level which challenges the Town's overall water capacity.

Joyce Chunglo added that in the past contaminants from Amherst seeped into the Hadley wells perhaps from fireworks. With this said, Joyce Chunglo wants to make sure that the water customers in Hadley are taken care of first and foremost and that the Mt. Warner wells would need to be tested by the EPA before going back online.

Scott McCarthy reiterated that it might take 3 years to get the Mt. Warner wells back online after securing funding to do so.

Jane Nevinsmith raised the idea of including funding for a water treatment facility in the construction of the new DPW facility from an infrastructure capital planning perspective.

Joyce Chunglo responded by stating that taking care of the water is not really part of infrastructure capital planning.

Jane Nevinsmith pointed out that obtaining funding for a new DPW facility via the issuance of a bond could also include funding for water filtration/treatment.

6.3 Constitution Week

Members of the Betty Allen Chapter, of the Massachusetts Daughters of the American Revolution - National Society Daughters of the American Revolution asked that the Select Board recognize Constitution Week September 17th through the 23rd in honor of the signing of the Constitution on September 17, 1787.

They have provided a sample proclamation.

Jennifer Sanders James states that she will prepare an official proclamation for the Board to be considered at the next meeting.

7. Other Items Not Anticipated 48 Hours in Advance

None.

8. Select Board Members Items for Future Discussion

Jane Nevinsmith would like a review of all legal matters currently in the town.

9. Select Board Members Liaison Report

Jane Nevinsmith announced that the Town has been awarded a Green Community award which translates into a grant of \$139,000 to undergo energy improvements.

10. Executive Session

10.1 Executive Session - Personnel - Fire Chief and DPW Director

The Select Board entered into Executive Session as per the provisions of MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a)(1): "(2) To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with non-union personnel- Fire Chief, and DPW Director.

11. Announcements

None.

12. Adjournment

12.1 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Izer

Roll call vote: Parsons, Aye; Keegan, Aye; Nevinsmith, Aye; Chunglo, Aye; Izer, Aye.

Vote: 5-0-0

Meeting was adjourned to an executive session at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Lore and Jennifer Sanders James