



Wednesday, November 14, 2018
Select Board Meeting Minutes
Town Hall Meeting Room 203 – 7:00 PM

Pursuant to notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Select Board was held at 7:00 p.m. in the in Room 203, Town Hall, 100 Middle Street, Town of Hadley.

Present were: Joyce Chunglo, Chair; Molly Keegan, Clerk; David Fill, Member
Absent: Christian Stanley, Member; John Waskiewicz, Member

Also in attendance were: David Nixon, Town Administrator; David Eisenthal, Unibank; Jo-Ann Konieczny, Library Trustee; Ken Pollard, Library Bldg. Comm; Jamison Hedin, Library Bldg. Comm; Alan Weinberg, Library Trustee; Jane Nevinsmith, COA Bldg. Comm; Suzanne Travisano, COA Director; Phil Palumbo; OPM Senior Center; Jack Czajkowski, Library Bldg. Comm; Randy Izer, Resident; Paul Narus, Exotic Auto; Marlo Warner; Visitor; Hank Barstow, Resident; Elena Lamontagne, Stoneybrook Cider; Mike George, George Propane; Kishore Parmar; Resident; Jack Yusko; Hadley Housing Authority; Wily Danylieko, Hadley Housing Authority; Jennifer Sanders James, Licensing Coordinator; Christopher Oakfor, DPW Director nominee;

1. 6:00 p.m. Call to Order

1.1 Call to order

Meeting was called to order by Joyce Chunglo, Chair at 6 pm.

2. Implications for Financial Management

2.1 Building Projects and Implications for Financial Management

Linda Sanderson and David Eisenthal discuss the implications of the 3 simultaneous building projects and several possible borrowing scenarios.

Motion to approve the 2B model of the borrowing contingent upon approval of the site plan on November 20th by the Planning Board.

Motion: Fill Second: Keegan
Vote: 3-0-0

3. DPW Director Search Committee Results

3.1 DPW Director Search Committee

The DPW Director Search Committee presented their results to the Select Board.

David Fill states the DPW Director Search Committee makes the unanimous recommendation that we hire Christopher Oakfor for the DPW Director position; he has an extensive background in public works, and adult education. His most recent experience was in Maynard, MA. He is planning on moving to the area.



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Motion to approve the recommendation of the DPW Director Search Committee to hire Christopher Oakfor as the DPW Director contingent upon background search and successful contract negotiations.

Motion: Fill Second: Keegan
Vote: 3-0-0

4. Consent Agenda
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Warrants	AP1919, AP1920S, PR1918
Minutes	September 5, 2018, September 12, 2018
Class II Auto Dealer's License	Exotic Auto Sales & Repairs
American Legion easement	Signature
One Day Liquor License	Top of the Campus - Faculty & Staff Appreciation Night Reception - Basketball Champions Center - December 11, 2018
Farm Winery Liquor License to Sell at Farmer's Market	Stoneybrook Cider, South Hadley to sell at the Amherst Winter Market held in the Hampshire Mall - 8 alternate weeks starting on Dec.1, 2018

Motion to approve the consent agenda with contingency that Stoneybrook Cider must receive its MDAR certification with removal of Exotic Auto Sales.

Motion: Keegan Second: Fill
Vote: 3-0-0

Randall Izer presents the Exotic Auto Sales request for the Class II Auto Dealer's License. We have been approved from the Planning Board for a total of 10 cars on the property either for sell or repair. We are requesting that we be allowed to 10 cars for sell on the license.

David Fill cautions that this is not Rt.9 and wants to make sure that he respects the fact that this is a residential neighborhood.

Motion to approve the Class II Auto Dealer's License to Exotic Auto Sales contingent upon successful purchase of the property.

Motion: Fill Second: Keegan
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5. Public Comments: 7:00 - 7:15 pm

5.1 Public Comments

No Public Comments



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6. Town Administrator Report

6.1 Town Administrator Report

David Nixon presents his town administrator report.

7. Appointments

7.1 Land License Public Hearing Russell St. Hospitality 7:15

Motion to approve the land license application for Russell St. Hospitality.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Vote: 3-0-0

7.2 Tax Classification Public Hearing 7:30

The Select Board will hold a public hearing on the FY 2019 tax classification in accordance with MGL Chapter 40, Section 56. The Select Board will take votes on the recommendations of the Assessors concerning the FY 2019 tax structure and possible exemptions. The Assessors' report and recommendations are attached below.

Joyce Chunglo states that last week the Assessor's office presented their report and recommendations and we are now holding our hearing.

Motion to accept the recommendation of the Assistant Assessor to keep a single rate system.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Vote: 3-0-0

8. New Business

8.1 Hadley Housing Authority – Appointment

The Select Board and the Hadley Housing Authority will meet jointly to appoint a new member to the Hadley Housing Authority

Richard Witkos has submitted a letter of interest to join the Hadley Housing Authority to fill the vacancy left by Terry Yusko.

Motion to appoint Richard Witkos to the Hadley Housing Authority until the April election.

Motion: Fill

Second: Keegan

Roll Call Vote:

Fill: Aye; Keegan: Aye; Chunglo: Aye; Yusko: Aye; Danylieko: Aye

8.2 Fire Chief – Contract Negotiations

Fire Chief Michael Spanknebel submits his letter requesting to enter into negotiations for a successor employment contract.

Molly Keegan states that we should do an evaluation of the Fire Chief since we did not do one last year.

Joyce Chunglo states that we will need the goals and objectives of the Fire Chief and an evaluation form for an upcoming meeting before June 30th.

8.3 Select Board Meeting Schedule 2019



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January 9 (TriBoard) (confirmed)
January 23 (confirmed)
February 2 (TriBoard)
February 13 (Deadline for ATM Articles)
March 6 (TriBoard)
March 20

9. Old Business

9.1 Senior Center, Library, and Fire Substation updates

Joyce Chunglo states that the Municipal Building Committee will not discuss the demolition of Hooker School because the MBC did not have enough notice to attend tonight's meeting and they have concerns about the demolition of Hooker School. We will continue the discussion without them.

David Fill thinks that we should work on both projects simultaneously and we need to find the flex space to make this work. It will make for 2 moves for the Senior Center.

Suzanne Travisano states that they can do that but there are going to be cost in moving and in rental that we do not have in our budget these will need to be addressed.

Jo- Ann Konieczny states that the library trustees have not taken an official vote yet but we have informally discussed it, that since it would save us so much money that I believe that the trustees would put money towards our rental costs anything above and beyond. We are looking at building later we are looking at about 7,000 dollars extra a week costs, so why wouldn't we help pay for some of the costs for the senior center. We think it would only be fair and we have talked unofficially we all seem to support it.

Molly Keegan states that we should have a point person flushing this all out between these projects.

Phil Palumbo states that Colliers does move services all the time, under our current contract we can put time in on it. We can facilitate that.

9.2 New Connecticut River Stormwater Committee MOA

The Pioneer Valley Planning Commission offers to continue Hadley's involvement and membership with the Connecticut River Stormwater Committee -- a collective of municipalities working cooperatively to address the US Environmental Protection Agency's mandated MS4 (storm water) compliance issues.

David Nixon recommends that we continue with our membership.

Marlo Warner also recommends that the Town of Hadley remain.

Motion to renew the membership to the Connecticut River Stormwater.



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10. Other

11. Announcements

Joyce Chunglo states that the Hartsbrook Holiday Fair on November 17, 2018. The Hadley Festival of Lights on November 24, 2018. The Hadley Mother's Club Craft Fair is this Saturday.

Molly Keegan states she and David Nixon will be visiting Northampton to look at possible collaboration on an IT grant.

Joyce Chunglo offers the Select Board's condolences to the family and friends of Helen O'Brien, and the family of Fanny C. Eli, and the family of Steven Bristol.

David Fill thanks Dr. McKenzie, Chief Mason and Chief Spanknebel did a great job communicating with the parents and a wonderful job with the students.
Happy Thanksgiving!

12. Executive Session

13. Adjournment

13.1 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Vote: 3-0-0

Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Sanders James