



Wednesday, August 7, 2019  
Select Board Minutes  
Town Hall Meeting Room 203 – 6:30 PM

Pursuant to notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Select Board was held at 6:00 p.m. in the in Room 203, Town Hall, 100 Middle Street, Town of Hadley.

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

Also present were: David Nixon, Town Administrator; Tim Neyhart, Building Inspector; Nicole Olivera, Applebee's; Chris Okafor, DPW Director; David Fill, Sr., MBC; Dan Regish, MBC; Sue Glowatsky, Collector; Alan Weinberg, Resident, Kishore Parmar, Resident;

### **1. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Christian Stanley, Chair at 6:30 pm.

### **2. Consent Agenda**

#### **2.1 Consent Agenda**

Minutes	April 17, 2019; April 25, 2019; May 1, 2019; May 2, 2019,
Warrants	PR1950; PR2002; PR2003; WP1954; WP1954-S; WP1955; WP1955-S; AP2003; AP2004; AP2004-2; AP2005-V
Memorandum of Understanding	Between the Town of Hadley and the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District for the hauling and disposal of sludge.
Hadley PD Resignation	Jose Cabrera
Permission for use of NHVH Ballfield	Hadley Girl Scout Troop Fall sing along and campfire on September 20, 2019 from 6 -8 pm
Hadley Police Department	Kennel License Fee Proposal
COA Van Driver appointment	Stanley Kroll
Rate Authorization for Council on Aging	FY 2020 budget adjustment
One-Day Liquor License -- Malt & Wine	North Hadley Sugar Shack Bicycle event August 10
COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT PERMITTING AND INSPECTION PROTOCOL	Select Board signs.
Accountant Services Contract	Select Board signs



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Valley Bike Share Committee	Andy Morris-Friedman volunteers
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Motion: Keegan                      Second: Fill  
Vote: 5-0-0

**3. Public Comments: 6:30 pm - 6:45 pm**

**3.1 Public Comments**

No public comments

**4. Town Administrator Report**

**4.1 Town Administrator Report**

The Town Administrator offers his report.

**5. Appointments**

**5.1 6:45 pm Kestrel Trust Mt. Holyoke Range Project**

The Select Board

**5.2 7:00 pm Public Hearing Sewer Rates**

The Select Board of the Town of Hadley, acting as the Sewer Commissioners, will hold a public hearing on changing sewer rates and charges on Wednesday, August 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 203, Town Hall, 100 Middle Street, Hadley, MA 01035. The public is invited to attend.

The Select Board is asked to consider a 10% increase to the highest sewer commercial users only. The proposed sewer rate will help conserve sewer usage among the highest commercial users, and help maintain sewer treatment plant capacity.

USER CLASSIFICATION	USAGE TIER QUARTERLY	FY 2019 USAGE CHARGES (\$/100 cubic ft.) Voted April 18, 2018	FY 2020 USAGE CHARGES (\$/100 cubic ft.) PROPOSED	CHANGE
Residential	0+	\$5.82	\$5.82	No Change



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Commercial Sewer Baseline	0-7499	\$5.97	\$5.97	No Change
Commercial Sewer Conservation	7500+	\$6.67	\$7.34	10% Increase

Kishore Parmar asks why is 10%, when we already pay an occupancy tax and we pay a large sewer impact fee for new construction.

David Fill thinks that we are putting the cart before the horse; we have items coming up on town meeting that will address this meeting.

Molly Keegan states she thought we were reopening the discussion to explain to learn where these increases come from.

David Nixon explains that tiered system tries to address the problem where different customers use different amounts of sewer and water. This plan will raise about 44, 000 dollars a year. It will not solve the problem, but it does help.

Susan Glowatsky states there are only accounts in the 66 sewer accounts that go into conservation rate and they equal almost the amount of the rest of the town.

General discussion of the rates.

Susan Glowatsky states that we are low on our rates. We have not increased our rates since 2007 and in order to meet our expenses we would have to increase by 43%. The expenses have increased but not the rates.

Motion to propose a 5% increase on the largest tier of users.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Stanley

Vote: 2-3-0

David Fill and Joyce Chunglo state that they are in favor of waiting for town meeting.

John Waskiewicz abstains.

Alan Weinberg asks if there are other possible fixes.



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Joyce Chunglo states that we are looking at changing CPA. Also, taking from stabilization, and paying the sewer debt to take the pressure of the enterprise fund.

Sue Glowatsky stated that you need to check with the DOR legal counsel to make sure that is done the correct way.

#### **5.3 7:05 pm Applebee's Change of Manager for All Alcohol License**

Nicole Olivera is requesting to become the new manager for the Applebee's Alcohol License.

Motion to approve the Change of Manager for the All Alcohol License for Applebee's.

Motion: Chunglo

Second: Keegan

Vote: 5-0-0

#### **5.4 7:10 pm Utilities/ Pole Hearing – Eversource**

Eversource requests permission to install a pad mounted transformer and a splice pit in town taking. Both structures are to be located 23 feet easterly of the centerline of Venture Way over existing utilities. The splice pit to be located approximately 1,168 ft. southeasterly of centerline of North Maple Street. The pad mount transformer to be located approximately 15 feet southerly of splice fit.

This is to provide electrical service to a new commercial building.

Motion to approve the pad mounted transformer and the underground loop.

Motion: Fill

Second: Keegan

Vote: 5-0-0

#### **5.5 Municipal Building Committee**

Tim Neyhart offers an overview of the projects that the MBC has been discussing, the biggest one right now is Russell School. The biggest priority right now is public safety and we have been working on the attic. We are track to finish it very quickly. The second is Russell School and what we are going to do with it. There are seismic concerns for the building and even when we do the repairs of roughly 25 million it will not address the seismic concerns. We are looking at maybe a private/public partnership.

The Select Board discusses the options for the project.



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Motion to authorize Municipal Building Committee to connect with Pioneer Valley Planning Commission to access resources in advance of a potential ballot referendum for after town meeting and to form a sub-committee of the MBC to brainstorm some ideas for the building.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Vote: 5-0-0

Tim Neyhart states that the 3<sup>rd</sup> item is access CPA funds for the correcting the façade of the building. The next one is the town hall pillars; we want to get that out as soon as we can. The final one is the parking lot by Russell School.

## **6. New Business**

### **6.1 Capital Plan Requests**

David Nixon states that we have most requests from departments but there are a couple departments that we are still waiting on. He then asks for the Select Board to instruct him to assemble the list for the capital planning committee.

### **6.2 Senior Services Director - Job Search update**

The Select Board is asked to establish a search committee for a new Senior Services Director. Suggested appointments include:

David Storey

Bruce Brewer

Elizabeth Faulkner

Marguerite Wilson (Peg)

Evan Bryant (fire)

Lauren Triggs (police)

Jane Nevinsmith

2 Select Board members - Christian Stanley and Molly Keegan

Suzanne Travisano -advisory-no vote

Motion to appoint the Senior Services Director job search committee.

Motion: Fill

Second: Chunglo

Vote: 5-0-0

### **6.3 Valley Bike Share Expansion meeting 08/21/19**

Christian Stanley offers an update on the program. The program would like to have 2 stations in Hadley.



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#### **6.4 Mass Works Grant Application -- West Street Common**

Chris Okafor is working on the scope of work for the project and the grant is due this week.

General Discussion of the scope of work for the grant.

Motion to approve the DPW and David Nixon to submit the Mass Works grant for West Street Road improvements.

Motion: Fill

Second: Keegan

Vote: 4-0-1

John Waskiewicz abstains.

#### **7. Old Business**

##### **7.1 Senior Center, Library, and Fire Substation Updates**

Joyce Chunglo for the Fire Substation committee states the meeting is coming up next week and will have more updates next time.

Molly Keegan for Library Committee states we are meeting next Monday; there have been a few delays due to the waterlines. The window abatement started this Monday.

Jane Nevinsmith for the Senior Center states that we have wall up and we had trusses delivered today.

Christian Stanley asks for approval for a change order (PCO 010) for the trusses for the solar panel load for materials in the amount of 3,221.90.

Motion: Chunglo

Second: Keegan

Vote: 5-0-0

David Nixon states there are questions coming from departments about the fees for inspections, connections and impact assessments.

Motion to waive all the fees for the building projects.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Chunglo

Vote: 5-0-0

##### **7.2 Human Resources Director**

Motion to open and advertise the search for the Human Resources Director including the salary range.

Motion: Fill

Second: Chunglo

Vote: 5-0-0

#### **8. Other**

#### **9. Announcements**



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Joyce Chunglo offers the Select Board's condolences to the family of Patricia Ocicki on her passing.

David Fill announces the Chicken to Go for the American Legion this Sunday and the Young Men's Club is having a steak dinner on September 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **10. Executive Session**

### **10.1 Executive Session Contract Negotiations -- Town Administrator**

The Select Board does not enter into executive session. This item is deferred to a later date.

## **11. Adjournment**

### **11.1 Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn

Motion: Chunglo

Second: Fill

Vote: 5-0-0

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Sanders James