



Wednesday, August 28, 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 J. Fill, II., Clerk; Molly Keegan, Member; John Waskiewicz, Member
Joyce Chunglo: Absent

Also present were: David Nixon, Town Administrator; David Rotunno, Student intern; Alessandra Rotunno, Resident; Elizabeth Rotunno, Resident; Alessandro Bosio, Visitor; Peter Heronemous, Resident; Joel Greenbaum, NHVH; Claire Carlson, MBC; Linda Sanderson, Town Treasurer; Jane Nevinsmith, COA; Tim Neyhart, Building Inspector; Randy Izer, CPA; Andy Morris- Friedman; CPA; Edwin Matuszko, CPA; David Waskiewicz, MBC; Jennifer Sanders James, Licensing Coordinator; Mike Mason, Chief HPD

1. Call to Order

1.1 Call to order

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

2. Consent Agenda

2.1 Consent Agenda

Minutes	May 8, 2019
Warrants	AP2006, AP2005, AP2007, AP2006S, WP1954-2, WP1955-2, WP1956, WP 1957, PR2004, AP2008,
One-Day Liquor Licenses	TOP OF THE CAMPUS UMASS Football season games - multiple locations - 9/7/19, 9/21/19, 9/28/19, 10/26/19, 11/2/19, 11/23/19
Veterans' Services Inter-municipal Agreement	City of Northampton and the Town of Hadley yearly agreement
Hadley Police Department Lieutenant MOU	Select Board Approval
Hadley Police Department Appointment	Jake Laughlin Full time appointment
Chapter 90 State Aid Reimbursable	Rocky Hill Road, Mt. Warner Road; South Maple Road, Aloha Way and Lady Slipper Lane
Sealer of Weights and Measures Inter-municipal Agreement	City of Northampton and the Town of Hadley yearly agreement
Municipal Hearing Officer	City of Northampton and the Town of Hadley yearly agreement
Hopkins Academy Cross Country	Cross Country team hosting 3 races on September 10, October 1, and



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request Reservoir use	October 15 at the Bay Road Reservoir
One Day Liquor Licenses	Top of the Campus - Mullins Center - Chris Young Concert Concourse concessions, green room and block party in parking lot

Motion to approve the consent agenda with the removal of the HPD matters and the One Day Liquor License for the block party.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Vote: 5-0-0

John Waskiewicz abstains on the Chapter 90 matters.

Vote: 4-0-1

Jennifer Sanders James states the Police and Fire Chief both have conditions that they want put upon the block party. Chief Mason's concerns have already been addressed by Top of the Campus to contact the UMASS PD, which they have. The Fire Chief is asking for a fire watch with an executive officer for the event.

Motion to approve the One Day Liquor License for the Chris Young block party with the conditions set forth by the Police and Fire Chiefs.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Vote: 5-0-0

Motion to approve the Lieutenant Memorandum of Understanding.

Motion: Keegan

Second: Fill

Vote: 4-0-0

Motion to approve the full time appointment of Jake Laughlin.

Motion: Fill

Second: Keegan

Vote: 5-0-0

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

3.1 Public Comments

Jane Nevinsmith announces the retirement party for Suzanne Travisano on Thursday from 1:30 - 3:30 at the COA.

Amy Fyden states that people have commented to her that we need a street light between JC Penney and Walmart.

Molly Keegan asks that we speak to the PVTa.



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4. Town Administrator Report

4.1 Town Administrator Report

David Nixon offers his Town Administrator report.

5. Appointments

5.1 6:45 p.m. Presentation of Internship by Davide Rotunno

David Rotunno presents his summer internship to the Select Board, touching base on the projects that he has worked on.

5.2 7:00 p.m. Community Preservation Act Committee

The Select Board will meet with the Community Preservation Act Committee to discuss the future of CPA in Hadley. Several articles may be presented at the Fall Special Town Meeting to amend the CPA assessment percentages.

Christian Stanley states it has been discussed to look at the CPA percentage and reducing the amount to 2% in order to dedicate more funds to bolstering the Sewer enterprise fund.

Also to change the CPA rate we will need a town meeting vote and a ballot vote.

Molly Keegan states the money received has changed in the 3% category. You get an additional funding to contribute to CPA.

Christian Stanley also states that if we keep it at the 3% we can also go through several more rounds of funding.

Andy Morris-Friedman states that the CPA was adopted in 2004 and has approved 72 projects. We have received 43% match from the state in matching this year and Hadley is the 5th largest per capita.

Linda Sanderson states that there is 1.66 million dollars available. We will not be able to participate in round 2 or round 3 of funding if we do lower the percentage below 3%. We will actually be losing money.

Amy Fyden states that she would be disappointed to see percentage changed as a member of the CPA and the Chair of the Finance Committee, lowering the amount would not be a smart decision.

John Waskiewicz states it does not add up and does not make good business sense.
Further general discussion.



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Motion to pull the CPA article from the warrant.
Motion: Fill Second: Waskiewicz
Vote: 4-0-0

David Fill request a 1 page insert for the next tax bill.

6. New Business

6.1 Succession Planning

A number of town officers have announced their planned retirement. The Select Board will meet with the Building Inspector to plan for a smooth transition when he retires. In addition, the Senior Services Director position advertisement needs to be extended, and an interim adjustment for the Council on Aging budget needs to be approved.

Tim Neyhart states that he is retiring on April 16, 2020 and is concerned about future not a lot of building commissioners retiring they are about 200 short. People are jumping between towns for higher salaries and that is probably going to happen here too. I feel that both of the Chiefs and David Tudryn should be part of the hiring committee. I would also like to serve if you would allow it. I can also be the alternate for some time if you need me too. I do think that there needs to be a review of the salary for the position. The Town might want to explore to share with smaller towns. We can also look at other ways to set things up; the FRCOG has been successful setting this up.

Molly Keegan asks about sharing for residential inspections.

Christian Stanley asks should we form a sub- committee.

Molly Keegan asks Tim for a layout of full time hours breaking it down

- how hours can be shared
- have just a local
- commissioner could be shared for
- menu of options for deciding

David Nixon states that budgeting purposes he and Tim Neyhart should meet for the 2020 ATM.

David Nixon states the COA recommends that we increase the hours of the Outreach Coordinator and the Program Coordinator during the absence of the COA Director. They would like to increase the hours of Lauren from 15 to 25 hours a week and increase the hours of Violet from 35 to 40 and to increase her pay from \$22 to \$27 dollars an hour.

David Nixon states that this should not have an impact upon the budget.

Motion to increase the salaries and hours as recommended with no impact on the budget.

Motion: Fill Second: Keegan



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Vote: 4-0-0

6.2 Select Board Meeting Dates Fall-Winter 2019

The Select Board will meet on the following dates:

September 4th and 15th

October 9th and 17th - October 24th Town Meeting

November 6th, 13th, 20th

December 4th and 18th

7. Old Business

7.1 Senior Center, Library, and Fire Substation Updates

Jane Nevinsmith states that the Senior Center has a roof and the building is coming along.

Christian Stanley discusses the MOU with the Legion to pave and paint the Legion lot with a 75,000 budget – 60,000 to pave off-set from grant.

Motion for \$60,693.03 to pave the legion per the MOU.

Motion: Fill

Second: Keegan

Vote: 4-0-0

Molly Keegan asks about the parking issues with V-1 Vodka.

David Nixon states that a solution has been found.

Molly Keegan states that the demolition of the library is scheduled for next week.

John Waskiewicz asks if we can move the book drop to town hall.

All of the building committees should submit progress reports for October 9th.

David Nixon states that Linda Sanderson and David Eisenthal will be here for next time to discuss our borrowing for the projects.

7.2 Russell School Building Committee

David Nixon states that the Russell School CPA articles one was approved and one was denied. The building plan was denied and the roof was approved. The Municipal Building Committee wants to hire an architect to work on a plan of scenarios for Russell.

Claire Carlson states that the sub-committee is charged with research and discussion to prioritize the future use of the Russell School Building, they will meet monthly. Interested parties should submit letters to the Select Board or the Municipal Building Committee. We would like to invite someone from the historical committee to join the sub-committee.

Motion to create a warrant article for 10,000 dollars for Russell School.



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Motion: Fill Second: Keegan
Vote: 4-0-0

Motion to create a Russell School Sub-Committee.

Motion: Fill Second: Keegan
Vote: 4-0-0

7.3 Kestrel Trust Mt. Holyoke Range Project

Motion to appoint Mary Thayer, Linda Castronovo, Charlotte Murtishaw, John Mieczkowski, Jr.; Andrew Gnatek, Stephen Syzmkowitz and David Fill as Select Board representative to the Kestrel Trust Mt. Holyoke Range Project committee.

Motion: Keegan Second: Waskiewicz
Vote: 4-0-0

John Waskiewicz would like to know what hurdles people will have to jump through to use our land?

David Nixon states that we do give up land rights.

7.4 Human Resources Hiring Ad-hoc Committee

Motion to appoint Linda Sanderson, Joan Zuzgo, Michael Mason, Joyce Chunglo, David Fill to the Human Resources Hiring Ad-hoc committee.

Motion: Keegan Second: Fill
Vote: 4-0-0

7.5 North Hadley Village Hall -- Review of Proposals

David Nixon states that both of the bids that we received for NHVH included the land. Is the apparent high price what you were hoping for? If it is then we can move forward with working with the high bidder.

David Fill states that the prices are too low.

John Waskiewicz expresses his disappointment of low price.

The Select Board would like to review the bids until next week.

8. Other

Andrew Morris- Friedman offers an update on the Valley Bike Share program.

David Fill asks about Zatyarka Park and the breakdown in communication in the maintenance and would like to work on a long term solution at upcoming meetings.

9. Announcements



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There is an Open House for the COA Director tomorrow 1:30 – 3:30.
John Waskiewicz wants the executive session minutes reviewed.

UMASS move in through the weekend.

10. Executive Session

11. Adjournment

11.1 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Fill

Second: Waskiewicz

Vote: 4-0-0

Meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Sanders James