



Town of Hudson - Board of Selectmen

Minutes – April 6, 2020

Via Zoom (Remote) 7:00PM

1. Call to Order:

Present were Mr. Moses, Mr. Durant, Mr. Duplisea, Mr. Lucy Mr. Quinn and Mr. Parent. Also present were Atty. Cipriano and Ms. Vickery. The meeting was convened via unanimous roll call vote.

2. Minutes to be Approved:

- a) Public session minutes – BOS/BOH March 23, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the BOS/BOH public session minutes of March 23, 2020.

- b) Public session minutes – March 23, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the public session minutes of March 23, 2020.

- c) Executive session minutes – March 23, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the executive session minutes of March 23, 2020.

3. Meetings and Public Hearings - 7:00 PM:

4. Licenses:

5. Personnel:

- a) Selectmen to note the retirement of Deborah Kane as Technical Services Librarian for the Library, effective April 24, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 to note the retirement of Deborah Kane as Technical Services Librarian for the Library, effective April 24, 2020.

- b) Selectmen to consider approval of the promotion of Chrstopher O'Clair from W-3 Maintenance Laborer to the position of W-5 Assistant Chief Mechanic at a rate of \$25.32, effective April 7, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the promotion of Chrstopher O'Clair from W-3 Maintenance Laborer to the position of W-5 Assistant Chief Mechanic at a rate of \$25.32, effective April 7, 2020.

- c) Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Marcia Blakely as Board of Health Administrator for Hudson's Department of Public Health at a grade of M3, Step 5, effective April 7, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the appointment of Marcia Blakely as Board of Health Administrator for Hudson's Department of Public Health at a grade of M3, Step 5, effective April 7, 2020.

- d) Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Sara Foster to the Economic Development Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the appointment of Sara Foster to the Economic Development Commission for a term to expire on December 31, 2020.

- e) Selectmen to consider approval of the temporary appointment of Edilane Silva as the COVID-19 Community Health Worker at a rate of \$22.70 per hour, effective April 8, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the temporary appointment of Edilane Silva as the COVID-19 Community Health Worker at a rate of \$22.70 per hour, effective April 8, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

6. Contracts:

- a) Selectmen to consider approval and authorization to sign a contract with W. Harding Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$1,578,675.00 for the construction of the Downtown Rotary Project.

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 to approve and authorize the signing of a contract with W. Harding Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$1,578,675.00 for the construction of the Downtown Rotary Project.

7. General:

- a) Selectmen to consider postponing the Town's Annual May Town Meeting to June 22, 2020 at 7:30 PM to be held at the Hudson High School located at 69 Brigham Street.

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 to postpone the Town's Annual May Town Meeting to June 22, 2020 at 7:30 PM to be held at the Hudson High School located at 69 Brigham Street, per the Legislative Acts of 2020, Chapter 53.

- b) Selectmen to consider postponing the Annual Town Elections to June 29, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 to postpone the Annual Town Elections to June 29, 2020, per the Legislative Acts of 2020, Chapter 45.

- c) Selectmen to meet with Atty. Joe Moreira to discuss the potential sale of Town owned land located at 35 South Street.

The Board passed over this item.

- d) Selectmen to consider amending the Town's health insurance eligibility policy to allow enrollment at or near retirement regardless of previous enrollment.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 to amend the Town's health insurance eligibility policy to allow enrollment at or near retirement regardless of previous enrollment.

- e) Selectmen to consider opting out of paid leave provisions of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 to adopt the provision of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act through December 31, 2020.

- f) Selectmen to consider accepting a donation from Intel Corporation of protective masks for Hudson's medical community.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 5-0 to accept a donation from Intel Corporation of protective masks for Hudson's medical community.

- g) Selectmen to consider approving and authorizing the Chairman and the Executive Assistant to sign a letter to the Massachusetts Division of Local Services requesting approval of emergency expenditures related to COIVD-19.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 to approve and authorize the Chairman and the Executive Assistant to sign a letter to the Massachusetts Division of Local Services requesting approval of emergency expenditures related to COIVD-19.

8. Budget:

- a) Selectmen to conduct FY 2020 Budget Hearings:

| Department | Dept. # | Amount Requested | Motion | Second | Vote |
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| School Department | 3050 | \$40,152,132 | Durant | Parent | 5-0 |

9. Citizens' Issues:

10. Town Issues:

11. Correspondence to be Noted by Clerk:

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 to note the correspondence of its meeting of April 6, 2020.

12. Executive Session:

13. Adjourn:

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn its meeting of April 6, 2020 at 7:40 PM.

Document List – April 6, 2020

| Document | Location |
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| Minutes March 23, 2020 (3 sets) | BOS Office |
| Personnel memos: Kane, O’Clair, Blakely, Foster, Silva | BOS Office |
| Contract with Harding Construction | BOS Office |
| Memo to postpone Town Meeting & Annual Town Election | BOS Office |
| School Department Budget | BOS Office |
| MassDOT letter regarding the Cox Street Bridge | BOS Office |
| COVID-19 Election FAQ’s | BOS Office |
| March Fire Department leave report | BOS Office |
| Auction parcels close outs | BOS Office |
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