



Town of Hudson - Board of Selectmen

Minutes – April 27, 2020

Via Zoom(Remote) 7:00PM

1. Call to Order:

Present were Mr. Duplisea, Mr. Parent, Mr. Quinn and Mr. Moses. Also present were Atty. Cipriano and Ms. Vickery. Mr. Durant and Mr. Lucy arrived later.

2. Minutes to be Approved:

- a) Public session minutes – April 6, 2020

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the public session minutes of April 6, 2020, as amended.

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

4. Licenses:

- a) Selectmen to consider renewals of Mid-Year Licenses for those licensees who have met all requirements for renewal.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 3-0 to renew the Mid-Year Licenses for those licensees who have met all requirements for renewal.

5. Personnel:

- a) Selectmen to consider approving the reappointment of Peter Feil to the Board of Registrars for a term to expire on March 31, 2023.

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 3-0 to reappoint Peter Feil to the Board of Registrars for a term to expire on March 31, 2023.

- b) Selectmen to note the resignation of Reserve Intermittent Patrol Officer Dinis Silva, effective April 14, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 3-0 to note the resignation of Reserve Intermittent Patrol Officer Dinis Silva, effective April 14, 2020.

- c) Selectmen to note the resignation of Patrol Officer Timothy Provencal, effective April 24, 2020.

*On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 3-0 to note the resignation of Patrol Officer Timothy Provencal, effective April 24, 2020. **Mr. Durant joined the meeting.***

- d) Selectmen to note the resignation of Jason Weksner from the Conservation Commission effective immediately.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 4-0 to note the resignation of Jason Weksner from the Conservation Commission effective immediately.

- e) Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Jack Roy as W-2 Wastewater Laborer, Step 1, effective April 28, 2020.

The Board passed over this item.

- f) Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Zachary Burgess as W-2 Wastewater Laborer, Step 1, effective April 28, 2020.

The Board passed over this item.

- g) Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Megan Downing as Part-Time Dispatcher for the Police Department at a Grade 10-B, Step 1, effective May 1, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the appointment of Megan Downing as Part-Time Dispatcher for the Police Department at a Grade 10-B, Step 1, effective May 1, 2020.

6. Contracts:

- a) Selectmen to consider approval and authorization to sign a contract with Mass Broken Stone for the Milling & Overlay of John Robinson Road in the amount of \$249,220.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 4-0 to approve and authorize the signing of a contract with Mass Broken Stone for the Milling & Overlay of John Robinson Road in the amount of \$249,220.

- b) Selectmen to consider approval and authorization to sign a contract with Mass Broken Stone for the Milling & Overlay of River, Assabet and Riverview Streets in the amount of \$346,289.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 4-0 to approve and authorize the signing of a contract with Mass Broken Stone for the Milling & Overlay of River, Assabet and Riverview Streets in the amount of \$346,289. Mr. Lucy joined the meeting.

7. General:

- c) Selectmen to consider signing a proclamation in observance of Children's Mental Health Week.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 to sign a proclamation in observance of Children's Mental Health Week.

- d) Selectmen to consider adopting section 11 of Chapter 53 of the Acts of 2020 in order to waive interest and late payment fees on real estate, personal property and motor vehicle excise tax bills and water & sewer bills that have a due date between March 10, 2020 and June 1, 2020, if paid on or before June 30, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 to adopt section 11 of Chapter 53 of the Acts of 2020 in order to waive interest and late payment fees on real estate, personal property and motor vehicle excise tax bills and water & sewer bills that have a due date between March 10, 2020 and June 1, 2020, if paid on or before June 30, 2020.

8. Citizen's Issues:

9. Town Issues:

Mr. Parent stated that the Affordable Housing Trust is currently working with the Department of Community Development to finalize a Rental Assistance Program. This would help those residents who have been directly impacted by Covid 19 pay their rent.

Mr. Quinn asked that Mr. Moses look into having the parking spots in front of downtown restaurants temporarily be 15 minutes to allow customers to do sidewalk pick up of their take-out orders.

Mr. Duplisea noted that there are some double poles along Lincoln Street and parts of the Bradford Road area. He stated that it looks as if the work is not yet complete however there are chunks of rocks and dirt in these areas which makes it difficult to walk along these areas. He asked that Mr. Moses contact Verizon or Light & Power (who ever owns the poles) to have this cleaned up.

Mr. Durant discussed whether FY 2021 budget should be looked at again. He stated his concern that there is going to be a short fall in revenue with the loss of meals taxes, cannabis fees.... The state is also losing lots of tax revenue. He asked if it is worth looking at the 2021 budget and reconsider some of the budgetary decisions that were made before this pandemic. The Board agreed.

10. Correspondence to be Noted by Clerk:

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 to note the correspondence of April 27, 2020.

11. Executive Session:

12. Adjourn:

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn its meeting of April 27, 2020 at 7:45 PM.

Document List – April 27, 2020

Document	Location
Public session minutes –April 6, 2020	BOS Office
Mid-Year License Memo	BOS Office
Personnel memos – Feil, Silva, Provencal, Weksner, Roy, Burgess, Downing	BOS Office
Contract with Mass Broken Stone (2)	BOS Office
Children’s Mental Health Week Proclamation	BOS Office
Memo regarding late fees and interest	BOS Office
Assabet FY 2021 assessment	BOS Office
Route 15 ridership report	BOS Office
Department of Local Services approval	BOS Office
Senator Eldridge email	BOS Office
Confidential Correspondence (2)	N/A