



Town of Hudson - Board of Selectmen

Minutes – July 27, 2020

Remote via Zoom 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order:

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

2. Minutes to be Approved:

a) Public session minutes – July 20, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board vote 4-0 by roll call vote to approve the public session minutes of July 20, 2020.

Mr. Lucy joined the meeting.

3. Licenses:

a) Selectmen to consider approving an outdoor/sidewalk dining application to Welington Pinho of Welly's Restaurant located at 23 Main Street between the hours of Sunday 11AM – 9PM, Monday – Thursday 11AM – 9:30 PM and Friday and Saturday 11AM – 10:30 PM.

Mr. Quinn recused himself.

Mr. Duplisea, along with other Board members, cited his concern regarding the layout that was submitted stating it seemed too crowded. He also expressed his apprehension to approve this as it may interfere with the construction of the rotary. Ms. Johnson stated that construction should wrap up in mid-August. Mr. DePinho addressed the Board's concerns.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 4-0-1 by roll call vote to approve the use of the sidewalk area subject to the reduction in the number of seats to the satisfaction of the Department Heads. Mr. Quinn not voting.

Mr. Quinn returned to the meeting.

4. Personnel:

a) Selectmen to consider approving the temporary appointment of Kristina Johnson as Acting Director of Planning & Community Development at the M10 classification, step 4, effective August 2, 2020.

Mr. Quinn asked if this item could be held over to the Boards next meeting as he was not expecting this on the agenda and has additional questions he would like answered. Mr. Duplisea also noted he was not expecting this item. However the Board ultimately agreed to approve this (and item b and c) appointment.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 4-0-1 by roll vote the Board approved the temporary appointment of Kristina Johnson as Acting Director of Planning & Community Development at the M10 classification, step 4, effective August 2, 2020. Mr. Quinn abstained.

b) Selectmen to consider approving the temporary appointment of Pam Helinek as Acting Assistant Director of Planning & Community Development at the M8 classification, step 2, effective August 2, 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 4-0-1 by roll call voted to approve the temporary appointment of Pam Helinek as Acting Assistant

Director of Planning & Community Development at the M8 classification, step 2, effective August 2, 2020. Mr. Quinn abstained.

- c) Selectmen to consider approving the part time temporary appointment if Jack Hunter the Planning & Community Development Department at the rate of \$59.97 per hour effective August 2, 2020. This rate reflects his current rate plus a \$.31 per hour adjustment for the use of his personal telephone.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 4-0-1 by roll call vote to approve the part time temporary appointment if Jack Hunter the Planning & Community Development Department at the rate of \$59.97 per hour effective August 2, 2020. This rate reflects his current rate plus a \$.31 per hour adjustment for the use of his personal telephone. Mr. Quinn abstained.

5. Citizens' Issues:

- a) Brian O'Neill to meet with Selectmen regarding Eversource/DCR Project.

Brian O'Neill, 31 Parmenter Road citing his concerns for DCR's involvement in the Eversource energy preferred route. DCR would like to turn the utility corridor into a bike path. There was a public discussion in which the consensus of the residents present was that they were not interested in this due to the destruction of sensitive environmental land. He asked the Board if they feel as though DCR has done enough public outreach regarding their bike path.

Mr. O'Neill asked if the Town has been able to recoup any of the funds expended on the Cranberry Well filtration plant. Mr. Durant stated that the Town has recouped the entire cost. Mr. Moses added that the vast majority, well over \$1.5 million was paid by a coalition comprised of Boyd Coating, Precision Coating and the land lord.

Mr. O'Neill's final question was in regards to a letter sent from MassDEP about culverts along the MBTA right of way. It is an old cement pipe that runs along the old MBTA. It is in horrible disrepair and Eversource says they will not be addressing this issue. He asked if the Board has the ability to press Eversource and VHB on addressing and replacing these culvert pipes. Ms. Helinek stated that the Conservation Commission is currently negotiating the culverts as DEP has suggested they be upgraded. Eversource and VHB pushed back but this is still under negotiation.

6. Town Issues:

7. Adjourn:

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call vote to adjourn its meeting of July 27, 2020 at 7:55PM.

Document List – July 27, 2020

Document	Location
Public session minutes – July 20, 2020	BOS Office
Sidewalk Dining Permit Application – Welly's	BOS Office
Appointment memo – Johnson, Helinek and Hunter	BOS Office