

Selectmen's Minutes 12/18/2017

Town of Hudson - Board of Selectmen

Minutes – December 18, 2017

78 Main Street 2nd Floor 7:00 PM

- **Call to Order:**

Present were Mr. Parent, Mr. Durant, Mr. Duplisea and Mr. Quinn. Also present were Atty. Cipriano and Ms. Santos. Mr. Lucy not present.

- **Minutes to be Approved:**

Public Session Minutes – December 11, 2017

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the public session minutes of December 11, 2017.

- **Meetings and Public Hearings - 7:00 PM**

Selectmen to conduct a joint meeting with the Hudson Housing Authority to consider appointing a new member.

Mr. Parent convened the public hearing.

Present from the Hudson Housing Authority (HHA) were Glenn Davis, Chairman, Joseph Leandres, Stephen Mikula, and Anne Marie Lourens. Mr. Davis stated that the HHA has received interest forms from Bryan Johannes and Mary Lou McKeone. He noted that the State likes to see one a member of the Board that is a resident of their properties. Ms. McKeon lives at Brigham Circle; therefore the HHA is nominating her.

On a motion by Mr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board and the HHA voted 8-0 to appoint Mary Lou McKeon to serve as a temporary member of the Hudson Housing Authority until May 2018.

Mr. Parent closed the public hearing.

- **Licenses:**

Selectmen to consider approval of 2018 License renewals for all licensee's that have met their requirements.

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 4-0 to approve all 2018 License renewals for all licensee's that have met their requirements.

Selectmen to consider approval of license renewals for those licensees who will meet all renewal requirements by December 31, 2017.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 4-0 to approve license renewals for those licensees who will meet all renewal requirements by December 31, 2017.

- **Personnel:**

Selectmen to consider approving the appointment of Eduardo St. Louis as Sanitarian for the Board of Health at a Grade M5, Step 5, effective December 26, 2017.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 4-0 to approve appointment of Eduardo St. Louis as Sanitarian for the Board of Health at a Grade M5, Step 5, effective December 26, 2017.

Selectmen to consider approving the appointment of Jeremy Romanul as the Mass in Motion Coordinator for the Board of Health at a rate of \$27.76 per hour, effective December 19, 2017.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the appointment of Jeremy Romanul as the Mass in Motion Coordinator for the Board of Health at a rate of \$27.76 per hour, effective December 19, 2017.

Selectmen to consider reappointments of presently serving Board & Committee members that wish to be reappointed.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 3-0-1 to approve the reappointment of presently serving Board and Committee members that wish to be reappointed, with the exclusion of Mr. Parent on the Affordable Housing Trust. Mr. Quinn abstained.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 3-0-1 to approve the reappointment of presently serving Board and Committee members that wish to be reappointed, with the exclusion of Mr. Quinn on the Affordable Housing Trust. Mr. Parent abstained.

- **Contracts:**

Selectmen to consider approval of and authorization to sign contract with The Addiction Referral Center in the amount of \$10,000 (exempt) for addiction referral services for Hudson Residents.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 4-0 to approve and authorize the signing of a contract with The Addiction Referral Center in the amount of \$10,000 (exempt) for addiction referral services for Hudson Residents.

- **General:**

Selectmen to meet with Director of Community Development to discuss the recent Marijuana Listening Session held at Town Hall.

Mr. Hunter stated that a listening session was recently held at Town Hall. There were approximately 20 people in attendance. Currently there is a medical marijuana overlay district which is the LCI District on the western side of Town. There is one fully permitted medical marijuana facility in Town and another under consideration.

The Cannabis Control Commission (CCC) will come out with recreational rules and regulations by April 1, 2018 and by July 1, 2018 any fully permitted facility can begin operations. The Town has four options. The first is to do nothing and on July 1, 2018 any business that complies with all regulations could begin operations. Another option would be to only allow facilities to be located within the LCI District or expand the use into other districts (both would require zoning by-law amendments). The last option would be to bring the question back to the ballot to see if the voters would vote to change the outcome. The Selectmen all agreed to restrict the facilities to the LCI District.

Mr. Hunter explained that the quota for the number of facilities is a minimum 20% of retail package stores. In other words the Town cannot refuse any facility until it has reached the 20%. In Hudson our minimum number, based on retail package stores, is three.

Selectmen to discuss potential recreational marijuana by-law.

Mr. Hunter and Town Counsel are going to draft a by-law for the May Town Meeting that would restrict facilities to the LCI District on the western part of Town.

Selectmen to consider accepting a donation from Avidia Bank in the amount of \$710.00 for the MetroWest HOPE Program.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 4-0 to accept a donation from Avidia Bank in the amount of \$710.00 for the MetroWest HOPE Program.

Selectmen to hold FY19 budget hearings.

Department	Dept. #	Tab #	Amount Requested	Motion	Seconded	Vote
Board of Selectmen	1220	5	\$13,700	Durant	Parent	4-0
Executive Assistant	1230	6	\$314,331	Parent	Durant	4-0
Elections & Town Meeting	1231	6	\$52,647	Parent	Duplisea	4-0
Legal Services	1235	6	\$164,000	Durant	Parent	4-0
Town Buildings	1236	6	\$249,988	Durant	Quinn	4-0
Personnel Expense	1237	6	\$11,753	Parent	Duplisea	4-0

Debt Service	7100	26	\$7,400,745	Parent	Quinn	4-0
Retirement / Pensions	9110	27	\$5,347,292	Durant	Parent	4-0
Group Health Insurance	9140	28	\$5,310,000	Parent	Durant	4-0
General Insurance	9141	29	\$399,304	Parent	Quinn	3-0-1*
Finance Dept. / IT	1330	7	\$815,785	Parent	Durant	4-0
Library	6100	24	\$771,131	Durant	Parent	4-0
Town Clerk, Board of Registrars	1610	8	\$171,896	Durant	Quinn	4-0
Building Inspections	2410	19	\$178,374	Durant	Quinn	4-0
Council on Aging	5410	22	\$281,327	Parent	Quinn	4-0
Board of Health	5100	21	\$183,834	Durant	Quinn	4-0
Veterans	5441	23	\$143,797	Quinn	Durant	4-0

*Mr. Durant Abstained

- **Citizens' Issues:**

Gina and Nicholas Mitlo of the Hudson Psychic addressed the Board with regards to an issue of an unlicensed palm reader in Town. Regina Swanton of Regina's Connection was doing business without a license. Once this was brought the Town's attention she was notified and licensed. Mr. & Mrs. Mitlo are complaining that she was not punished in some form for not being licensed for the past five years. They also complained that Ms. Swanton is doing business as the Hudson Psychic.

- **Town Issues:**

Mr. Quinn stated that the dedication of the DPW was a wonderful event and thanked all who worked on the event.

Mr. Durant noted that if Sunshine Taxi is out of business he would like to reclaim the designated Taxi Parking spaces.

- **Correspondence to be Noted by Clerk:**

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 4-0 to note the correspondence of December 18, 2017.

- **Executive Session:**

Adjourn:

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board vote 4-0 to adjourn its meeting of December 18, 2017 at 9:15 PM.

Document List – December 18, 2017

Document	Location
Public session minutes – December 11, 2017	BOS Office
Interest cards for HHA	BOS Office
License renewal memos	BOS Office
Appointment memo – Eduardo St. Louis	BOS Office
	BOS Office

Appointment memo – Jeremy Romanual	
Contract with ARC	BOS Office
Memo regarding marijuana listening session	BOS Office
National Grid Yearly Operational Plan	BOS Office
Donation memo	BOS Office
Letter from James Gracie regarding Comcast/Verizon	BOS Office