

Selectmen's Minutes 02/05/2018

Town of Hudson - Board of Selectmen

Minutes – February 5, 2018

78 Main Street 2nd Floor 7:00 PM

- **Call to Order:**

Present were Mr. Parent, Mr. Durant, Mr. Lucy and Mr. Moses. Also present were Atty. Cipriano and Ms. Santos.

- **Minutes to be Approved:**

Public Session Minutes – January 22, 2018

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the public session minutes of January 22, 2018.

Executive Session Minutes – January 22, 2018

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the executive session minutes of January 22, 2018.

- **Personnel:**

Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Danielle Cook as a Part-Time Technical Services Librarian for the Library Grade F, Step 1 at a rate of \$18.14 per hour, effective February 6, 2018.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the appointment of Danielle Cook as a Part-Time Technical Services Librarian for the Library Grade F, Step 1 at a rate of \$18.14 per hour, effective February 6, 2018.

Selectmen to consider the approval of the appointments of Anthony Andrews, Jr., Matthew Tufo, Brian Niemi and Paul Dudley as on-Call Firefighters for the Fire Department, effective February 6, 2018.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the appointments of Anthony Andrews, Jr., Matthew Tufo, Brian Niemi and Paul Dudley as on-Call Firefighters for the Fire Department, effective February 6, 2018.

Selectmen to note the resignation of Margaret Downing Bouvier as a member of the Council on Aging, effective immediately.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to note the resignation of Margaret Downing Bouvier as a member of the Council on Aging, effective immediately.

Selectmen to consider reappointing Thomas Moses to serve as Executive Assistant and sign a three year contract with Mr. Moses commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to reappoint Thomas Moses to serve as Executive Assistant and sign a three year contract with Mr. Moses commencing July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021.

Selectmen to consider approving the job description for a Regional Youth Substance Abuse Program Coordinator for the Board of Health.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the job description for a Regional Youth Substance Abuse Program Coordinator for the Board of Health.

Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Beata Malicka as Part Time Payroll/Billing Clerk for the Police Department NU-D, Step 6 at a rate of \$18.92, effective February 19, 2018.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the appointment of Beata Malicka as Part Time Payroll/Billing Clerk for the Police Department NU-D, Step 6 at a rate of \$18.92, effective February 19, 2018.

Selectmen to approve the appointments of Michael Hurley, Joseph Fournier, Michael Schreiner, David Stephens and Dermot McCarthy as Special Police officers for the Hudson Police Department, effective February 6, 2018.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the appointments of Michael Hurley, Joseph Fournier, Michael Schreiner, David Stephens and Dermot McCarthy as Special Police officers for the Hudson Police Department, effective February 6, 2018.

- **Contracts:**

Selectmen to consider approval and authorization to sign a contract with F.G. Sullivan Drilling Company for the Cleaning and Redevelopment of the Kane and Cranberry Wells in the amount of \$32,454.00.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted to approve and authorize the signing of a contract with F.G. Sullivan Drilling Company for the Cleaning and Redevelopment of the Kane and Cranberry Wells in the amount of \$32,454.00.

Selectmen to consider approval and authorization to sign a contract with Northeast Independent Living Program in the amount of \$15,000 to develop a self-evaluation and transition plan to identify ADA short comings in public facilities, building and parks and to develop a transition plan for improvements.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to approve and authorize the signing of a contract with Northeast Independent Living Program in the amount of \$15,000 to develop a self-evaluation and transition plan to identify ADA short comings in public facilities, building and parks and to develop a transition plan for improvements.

- **General:**

Selectmen to consider authorizing the Chairman to sign a letter to Governor Baker requesting the release of the \$500,000 in the 2016 Economic Development Bond Bill for the redesign of the rotary.

Mr. Lucy suggested that all the names of the Selectmen be added to the letter for their signatures. The Board agreed.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to sign a letter to Governor Baker requesting the release of the \$500,000 in the 2016 Economic Development Bond Bill for the redesign of the rotary.

Selectmen to consider signing the application for the Commonwealth Sewer Rate Relief Fund.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 3-0 to sign the application for the Commonwealth Sewer Rate Relief Fund.

- **Budget:**

Selectmen to conduct FY 2019 Budget Hearings:

Department	Dept. #	Tab #	Amount Requested	Motion	Seconded	Vote
Assabet Valley Regional Voc.	---	31	\$2,786,106	Parent	Durant	2-0-1 Lucy Abstained
School Department	3050	30	\$38,091,026	Parent	Durant	3-0

Mr. Lucy read a statement whose synopsis follows: For 20 years the school department presented balanced budgets. Then in the last eight years the school department turned to submitting unbalanced, deficit budgets. But every year so far the school department spent less school choice funds than planned when the plan also called for a deficit in excess of \$1.0 million. He pointed out less money was spent in 2015 than was spent in 2014. In 2015 no school choice funds were spent and the SPED Circuit Breaker Reserve Fund came into existence. All those authorized to spend money, especially the principals and the building director, did a great job reigning in expenses in 2015. They continued to so in 2016 and 2017 when only \$440,000 of school choice money was spent in 2016 and \$347,000 was spent in 2017. Even though this year, 2018, began with \$2.8 million unspent school choice funds and \$579,172 of unspent SPED Circuit

Breaker funds Mr. Lucy hopes all those authorized to spend money are still reigning in expenses and not spending down reserves.

- **Citizens' Issues:**
- **Town Issues:**

Mr. Lucy asked if there was any plan to skim pave Packard Street this spring. Mr. Moses stated he would check on this.

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

Mr. Parent noted that Mr. Moses has recently been appointed to the newly created Massachusetts Municipal Managers Association Taskforce on Diversity and Inclusion. The taskforce is trained to identify strategies that will address the lack of diversity in local government, particularly in senior positions.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 3-0 to note the correspondence of its meeting of February 5, 2018.

- **Executive Session:**

Selectmen to discuss strategy with respect to pending litigation on an administrative level before the Massachusetts energy Facilities Siting Board (MAEFSB) as to the Eversource petition and see advice of Counsel, as necessary, where the open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the legal position of the Town of Hudson and the Chair so declares.

- **Adjourn:**

The Board voted 5-0, by roll call, to enter into executive session, not to return to public session.

Document List – February 5, 2018

Document	Location
Public & ES Minute – January 22, 2018	BOS Office
Appointment memo – Danielle Cook, Anthony Andrews, Matthew Tufo, Brian Niemi, Paul Dudley, Beat Malicka, Michael Hurley, Joseph Fournier, Michael Schreiner, David Stephens, Dermot McCarthy	BOS Office
Resignation memo – Margaret Downing-Bouvier	BOS Office
Thomas Moses Contract	BOS Office
Job Description – Regional Youth Substance Abuse Program Coordinator	BOS Office
G.G. Sullivan Drilling Contract	BOS Office
Northeast Independent Living Program procurement	BOS Office
Letter to Governor Baker	BOS Office
Sewer Rate Relief Fund	BOS Office
Verizon's Annual Complaint Filing	BOS Office
May 2018 Town Meeting Warrant (DRAFT)	BOS Office
Medusa letter of intent to apply for Massachusetts Economic Development Program	BOS Office
Alcohol Licenses quota report	BOS Office

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