



Town of Hudson

Select Board

Minutes - December 6, 2021

Hudson Police Station, 911 Municipal Drive

7:00 PM

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1. **Call to Order:**

Present were Mr. Duplisea, Mr. Burks, Mr. Lucy, Mr. Quinn, Mr. Sadowski and Mr. Gregory. Also present were Ms. Santos and Ms. Vickery.

2. **Minutes to be Approved:**

- a) Public session minutes – November 29, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted 3-0-2 to approve the public session minutes of November 29, 2021. Mr. Sadowski and Mr. Duplisea abstained.

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

- a) Select Board to consider approval of a Class II (Sale of Used Vehicles) to Darnell Delouis d/b/a D & D Quality Auto Sale at 59 Apsley Street.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 to approve a Class II (Sale of Used Vehicles) to Darnell Delouis d/b/a D & D Quality Auto Sale at 59 Apsley Street.

- b) Select Board to conduct Tax Classification hearing to set property tax rates for fiscal year 2022.

Present were Ms. Griffin and Mr. Bowen to present the tax classification for FY2022 to the Board. Mr. Bowen informed the board that as of January 1, 2021 the average single-family home value increased 8.25% (\$439,328) from the previous year. The total residential class increased by 8.94% compared to 2.54% in 2020. The increase in new growth was approximately \$44.9M compared to \$43.6 in 2020.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Sadowski, the Board voted 5-0 to approve a minimum residential factor of 0.8782 which will result in a residential tax rate of \$15.86 residential and \$31.60 commercial / industrial and approve an excess levy capacity of \$1,103,400.00.

4. **Licenses:**

- a) Select Board to consider approval of all 2022 License renewals for all licensee's that have met their requirements.

On a motion by Mr. Burks, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 to approve all 2022 License renewals for all licensee's that have met their requirements.

5. Personnel:

- a) Select Board to note the resignation of Lori Morton as Payroll/Billing Clerk for the Police Department, effective December 10, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Sadowski, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 to note the resignation of Lori Morton as Payroll/Billing Clerk for the Police Department, effective December 10, 2021.

- b) Select Board to consider approval of the promotion of Daniel Cunningham from W-2 laborer to a W-6, Step 1 Crew Leader in the Cemeteries, effective December 7, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the promotion of Daniel Cunningham from W-2 laborer to a W-6, Step 1 Crew Leader in the Cemeteries, effective December 7, 2021.

6. Contracts:

- a) Select Board to consider approving and signing a Lease between the Town of Hudson and B-P Trucking, Inc. to operate a Solid Waste Transfer Station at 1 Municipal Drive.

Mr. Lucy stated that this last version of the layout as to where to place the haul road is the best one. He stated for the record: "Mr. Chairman I'd like to enter into the record that my No vote tonight serves as a placeholder on behalf of the Mulready School Community. The largest single community adversely impacted by the present transfer station is the Mulready School Community. More than ten years ago the Mulready School Community got the town to commit to moving the transfer station and its odor and its heavy truck noise and diesel exhaust. That commitment is coming to fruition. But the various oversight boards and town personnel have turned over 100% since then. Perhaps we have lost sight of the heavy truck noise and diesel exhaust concerns. The new haul road is closer to the Mulready School. Also, both in-bound and out-bound heavy trucks will now be passing nearer to the school. I respectfully ask the town to commit to re-visit the heavy truck noise and the diesel exhaust generated during school days once the new transfer station is up and running. If it is determined sound and diesel fume blocking fences are needed then the town will need to get permission from itself to put up higher fences. Let this placeholder vote tonight survive another 100% turnover of boards and involved personnel."

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Sadowski, the Board voted 4-1-0 to approve and sign a Lease between the Town of Hudson and B-P Trucking, Inc. to operate a Solid Waste Transfer Station at 1 Municipal Drive. Mr. Lucy against.

7. General:

- a) Select Board to consider amending the Town's Outdoor Dining Regulations.

Mr. Sadowski stated that he believes that an outside regulatory government body should not be named in any of the Town's regulations. He is requesting that the downtown business improvement district be removed from the regulations.

On a motion by Mr. Sadowski, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 1-3-1 to amend the Town's Outdoor Dining Regulations. The motion failed, Mr. Duplisea, Mr. Burks and Mr. Lucy against and Mr. Quinn abstained.

- b) Select Board to consider accepting a grant from the Walmart Corporation for the Police Department in the amount of \$1,000.00 to be used to defray the costs associated with running the Town's Community Outreach Program.

On a motion by Mr. Burks, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 to accept a grant from the Walmart Corporation for the Police Department in the amount of

\$1,000.00 to be used to defray the costs associated with running the Town's Community Outreach Program.

- c) Select Board to consider authorizing the Executive Assistant to sign and submit the required forms to notify the Attorney General's Office of the Town's intent to receive funds from two (2) statewide settlements with three (3) opioid distributors/manufacturers to provide prevention, harm reduction, treatment and recovery efforts.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 to authorize the Executive Assistant to sign and submit the required forms to notify the Attorney General's Office of the Town's intent to receive funds from two (2) statewide settlements with three (3) opioid distributors/manufacturers to provide prevention, harm reduction, treatment and recovery efforts.

- d) Select Board to consider approving and authorizing adoption of changes outlined in a technical memo from Ron Müller & Associates to the intersection at Cox Street, Old Stow Road and Old Bolton Road.

Mr. Ryder explained that this intersection will be altered for safety reasons per the review by a traffic engineer. The new intersection will become a four-way stop and get rid of the Cox Street spillway.

On a motion by Mr. Sadowski, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 to authorize the adoption of changes outlined in a technical memo from Ron Müller & Associates to the intersection at Cox Street, Old Stow Road and Old Bolton Road.

8. Citizens' Issues:

9. Town Issues:

Mr. Duplisea noted the passing of Thomas Longtine and expressed condolences to the family.

10. Correspondence to be Noted by Clerk:

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted 5-0 to note the correspondence of its meeting of December 6, 2021.

11. Executive Session:

12. Adjourn:

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn its meeting of December 6, 2021 at 8:00 PM.

Select Board Correspondence List – December 6, 2021

1. MIIA grant statement.