

Town of Hudson

Select Board

Minutes—March 14, 2022 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 Atty. Cipriano, Ms. Santos and Ms. Vickery.

2. Minutes to be Approved:

a) Public session minutes – February 28, 2022.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the public session minutes of February 28, 2022.

b) Executive session minutes – February 28, 2022.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the executive session minutes of February 28, 2022.

3. Licenses:

 a) Select Board to consider issuing a One-Day All Alcohol Pouring License to Jennifer Vinciulla for a party to be held on April 2, 2022 between the hours of 8:30 PM and 11:30 PM at Roller Kingdom located at 5 Highland Park Avenue.

On a motion by Mr. Sadowski, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted 5-0 to issue a One-Day All Alcohol Pouring License to Jennifer Vinciulla for a party to be held on April 2, 2022 between the hours of 8:30 PM and 11:30 PM at Roller Kingdom located at 5 Highland Park Avenue.

4. Personnel:

a) Select Board to consider approving the appointment of Christopher Shea as Special Traffic Control Officer for the Town of Hudson Police Department, effective March 15, 2022.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the appointment of Christopher Shea as Special Traffic Control Officer for the Town of Hudson Police Department, effective March 15, 2022.

5. General:

a) Select Board to consider approving and signing the Board's Annual Report.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Sadowski, the Board voted 5-0 to approve and sign the Board's Annual Report.

6. Citizens' Issues:

a) Select Board to meet with Brian O'Neill regarding the Eversource Sudbury to Hudson transmission project.

Mr. O'Neill asked if the Town of Hudson still opposes the Eversource route. Mr. Duplisea stated that nothing has changed with the Town's opposition. He explained that Hudson did not go further into court proceedings on advice of Counsel as Protect Sudbury was already pursuing the matter.

Mr. O'Neill stated that abutter's received notification from Eversource that in the coming weeks their contractor would be flagging, staking and removing vegetation with the inactive MBTA rail corridor. Mr. O'Neill is questioning the use of the word inactive. There are only two distinctions for a railbed they are abandoned or active, there is no such distinction as inactive. Sudbury is looking to clarify this. If it is deemed abandoned then abutters can make legitimate claims to get the land back. Sudbury has found many such properties. The other argument would be that if this is an active railbed it can not be used for multipurpose.

Mr. O'Neill asked the Board if they are interested in getting involved in with Sudbury to petition the appropriate Board to come up with an answer to this as to the status of the MBTA corridor. The Board reach out to the special counsel for this and ask for their opinion.

b) Select Board to meet with Tom Green regarding the Property Assessed Clean Energy proposal.

Mr. Green, 2 Gately Ave explained that the property assessed green energy program is sponsored by MassDevelopment. This is a loan program for energy improvements to commercial building, industrial buildings, multi-family homes with more than five units as well as buildings owned by non-profits. The program will offer favorable loan terms and will allow owners to assign the loan as a betterment on their property.

This program needs to be adopted by the Select Board because of the betterment assessment. There is no financial cost to the Town. Mr. Green asked that the Board consider this vote at their next meeting.

7. Town Issues:

Mr. Lucy asked Mr. Gregory for additional details regarding a recent order for a hybrid vehicle. Mr. Gregory explained that the first pass of ARPA funding recommendations included funds for a mid-size SUV for the Health Department. His new recommendation is to reallocate the funds for a mid-size hybrid SUV for the Deputy Fire Chief.

8. Correspondence to be Noted by Clerk:

Mr. Quinn noted a memo from the DPW Director regarding the curbside pick sign up deadline has been extended to March 31, 2022.

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Sadowski, the Board voted 5-0 to note the correspondence of March 14, 2022.

9. Executive Session:

- a) Select Board to meet in Executive Session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate, and to seek the advice of legal counsel present (13 Port Street), per M.G.L., Ch. 30A, Section 21(a)(6).
- b) Select Board to meet in Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining, and to seek the advice of legal counsel present (Police Patrol Officers and Police Superior Officers), per M.G.L., Ch. 30A, Section 21(a)(3).

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call vote to enter into executive session and not to return to public session.

10. Adjourn:

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn its meeting of March 14,2022 at 7:25 PM.

Select Board Correspondence List – March 14, 2022

- 1. National Grid Letter regarding vegetation maintenance.
- 2. Notice regarding curbside pickup program.