



Town of Hudson

Select Board

Minutes— April 10, 2023

Hudson Police Station, 911 Municipal Drive

7:00 PM

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1. **Call to Order:**

Present were Mr. Duplisea, Mr. Burks, Ms. Congdon, Mr. Sadowski and Mr. Gregory. Also present were Ms. Santos, Ms. Vickery and Atty. Cipriano.

2. **Minutes to be Approved:**

- a) Public session minutes – March 27, 2023.

On a motion by Mr. Sadowski, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted 3-0-1 to approve the minutes of March 27, 2023. Mr. Duplisea abstained.

3. **Licenses:**

- a) Select Board to consider issuing a Transient Vendor license to the Hudson Farmers Market for a Spring Market to be held on Saturday, April 15th and Saturday, May 20th from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM to be held in front of Town Hall.

On a motion by Mr. Sadowski, seconded by Ms. Congdon, the Board voted 4-0 to issue a Transient Vendor license to the Hudson Farmers Market for a Spring Market to be held on Saturday, April 15th and Saturday, May 20th from 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM to be held in front of Town Hall.

- b) Select Board to consider issuing a One-Day All Alcohol License to Jeff Benz for an Event to be held at the Armory on June 4, 2023 from 2:00 – 6:00 PM.

On a motion by Mr. Burks, seconded by Ms. Congdon, the Board voted 4-0 to issue a One-Day All Alcohol License to Jeff Benz for an Event to be held at the Armory on June 4, 2023 from 2:00 – 6:00 PM.

- c) Select Board to consider approving all mid-year licenses that have met all requirements for renewal.

On a motion by Ms. Congdon, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted 4-0 to approve all mid-year licenses that have met all requirements for renewal.

4. **Personnel:**

- a) Select Board to note the resignation of Emilie Wilder from the Conservation Commission, effective immediately.

On a motion by Mr. Burks, seconded by Ms. Congdon, the Board voted 4-0 to note the resignation of Emilie Wilder from the Conservation Commission, effective immediately.

- b) Select Board to note the resignation of Sara Foster from the Economic Development Commission, effective immediately.

On a motion by Ms. Congdon, seconded by Mr. Sadowski, the Board voted 4-0 to note the resignation of Sara Foster from the Economic Development Commission, effective immediately.

- c) Select Board to consider approving advanced sick leave for Marc Whynot.

On a motion by Ms. Congdon, seconded by Mr. Sadowski, the Board voted 4-0 to approve advanced sick leave for Marc Whynot.

- d) Select Board to note the resignation of Thomas Waldsmith from the DPW as W-6 Crew Leader, effective April 7, 2023.

On a motion by Ms. Congdon, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted 4-0 to note the resignation of Thomas Waldsmith from the DPW as W-6 Crew Leader, effective April 7, 2023.

5. Contracts:

- a) Select Board to consider amending the contract with Tripi Engineering Services, LLC for geotechnical investigation at the Hudson Public Library.

On a motion by Ms. Congdon, seconded by Mr. Sadowski, the Board voted 4-0 to amend the contract with Tripi Engineering Services, LLC for geotechnical investigation at the Hudson Public Library.

6. General:

- a) Select Board to meet with members of the Hudson Hometown Hero's Committee. *Present were Brian Stearns, Mark Vital, Jean Fondas and Diane Palmieri O'Connor. Mr. Vital explained that they are proposing to hang flags along town roads of local veterans. The Board thanked them for their hard work and approved of this project.*

- b) Select Board to consider nomination of Jennifer Condon and Donna DeWallace as Inspector of Animals pursuant to MGL Chapter 129 § 15 & 16.

On a motion by Mr. Burks, seconded by Ms. Congdon, the Board voted 4-0 to nominate Jennifer Condon and Donna DeWallace as Inspector of Animals pursuant to MGL Chapter 129 § 15 & 16.

- c) Select Board to consider ending Town Counsel appointment with an effective date of June 30, 2023.

Mr. Sadowski made a motion to delay this discussion to the Board's next meeting as the full Board is not present. There was no second and discussion began.

The Board received letter of support for Atty. Cipriano from Joe Durant (former SB member), John Parent (former SB member) and Christine Griffin (Assessor). Richard Harrity, 103 Washington Street and Jeff Wood, 46 Causeway Street also spoke on his behalf. Andy Massa, 15 Michigan Drive asked why the Board was considering this. Mr. Duplisea did not respond to the question.

Fred Lucy (former SB member) read a statement and encouraged the Board to move ahead with new counsel.

On a motion by Ms. Congdon, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted 3-1-0 to end Town Counsel appointment with an effective date of June 30, 2023. Mr. Sadowski voted against.

- d) Select Board to consider appointing new Town Counsel with an effective date of July 1, 2023.

On a motion by Ms. Congdon, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted by roll call vote to appoint Brooks & Durensis as new Town Counsel, effective July 1, 2023. Mr. Sadowski abstained.

- e) Select Board to consider approving the First Amended and Restated Community Host Benefit Agreement between the Town and Kindrun Massachusetts (formerly TSC Delivery, LLC) and Top Shelf Labs Massachusetts, LLC, and to authorize the Executive Assistant to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Select Board, located at 7 Kane Industrial Drive.

On a motion by Ms. Congdon, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the First Amended and Restated Community Host Benefit Agreement between the Town and Kindrun Massachusetts (formerly TSC Delivery, LLC) and Top Shelf Labs Massachusetts, LLC, and to authorize the Executive Assistant to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Select Board, located at 7 Kane Industrial Drive.

- f) Select Board to consider approving and signing their 2022 Annual Report.

On a motion by Ms. Congdon, seconded by Mr. Burks, the Board voted 4-0 to approve and sing their 2022 Annual Report.

- g) Select Board to consider appointing a designee to serve on the Downtown Parking Steering Committee.

On a motion by Ms. Congdon, seconded by Mr. Sadowski, the Board voted 4-0 to appoint Mr. Sadowski as the Select Boards designee to serve on the Downtown Parking Steering Committee.

7. Budget:

- a) Hudson Public Schools to present FY 2024 final budget.

Superintendent Rodrigues, Dan Gale and Michelle Dufour presented the final budget to the Board.

8. Adjourn:

On a motion by Mr. Burks, seconded by Ms. Congdon, the Board voted 4-0 to adjourn its meeting of April 10. 2023 at 9:00 PM.