



Town of Hudson

Board of Selectmen who, by vote, prefer to be referred to as the Select Board

Minutes—February 22, 2021

Remote via Zoom 7:00PM

1. **Call to Order:**

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

2. **Minutes to be Approved:**

- a) Public session minutes – February 8, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 4-0 by roll call to approve the public session minutes of February 8, 2021.

3. **Personnel:**

- a) Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Brian Niemi as Fulltime Firefighter, effective February 23, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 4-0 by roll call to approve the appointment of Brian Niemi as Fulltime Firefighter, effective February 23, 2021.

- b) Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Janet Saluk to the Council on Aging for a term to expire on December 31, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 4-0 by roll call to approve the appointment of Janet Saluk to the Council on Aging for a term to expire on December 31, 2021.

4. **Contracts:**

- a) Selectmen to consider approval and authorization to sign a contract with Lapan Mechanical Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$49,500 for plumbing services related to the Centennial Beach Renovation Project.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 4-0 by roll call to approve and authorize the signing of a contract with Lapan Mechanical Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$49,500 for plumbing services related to the Centennial Beach Renovation Project.

- b) Selectmen to consider approval and authorization to sign a contract with the Director of Public Works Eric Ryder.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 4-0 by roll call to approve and authorize the signing of a contract with the Director of Public Works Eric Ryder.

5. **General:**

Mr. Duplisea arrived.

- a) Selectmen to consider voting to change the date of the May Town Meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Quinn, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to change the date of Annual Town Meeting to May 1, 2021 at 12:00 PM in the High School parking lot with a rain date of May 2, 2021 (same time and place).

- a) Selectmen to consider accepting a donation from the Robert Lloyd Corking Charitable Foundation in the amount of \$10,000 for the VetRides program.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to accept a donation from the Robert Lloyd Corking Charitable Foundation in the amount of \$10,000 for the VetRides program and an appropriate letter of thanks be sent.

- b) Selectmen to consider signing the warrant for the Annual Town Meeting in May.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor articles 1, 2,3,4 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to insert the amount of \$180,546 in article 5 to take the police out of civil service and sponsor the article.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor article 7 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor article 8 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor articles 9, 10, 11 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor article 12 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor articles 13, 14 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor articles 15, 16 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor article 17 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor article 19 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor article 20 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor articles 21, 22, 23, 24 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to replace and sponsor articles 25, 26 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor articles 27, 28 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sponsor article 29 on the May Town Meeting Warrant.

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to sign the May Town Meeting Warrant with the changes voted on.

6. Town Issues:

Mr. Duplisea asked that the Internal Traffic Committee look into the on-street parking on Lake Street at the corner of Pleasant St.

Mr. Quinn informed the Board that the Historic District Commission has extended permits to the owners of the Larkin Lumber property as well as to the liquor store (previously Chubby's) to do some rehabilitation and development.

Mr. Quinn stated that it is perhaps time to have a discussion on whether to open up Town Hall. Mr. Moses stated that it had opened today by appointment.

Mr. Lucy made note of the recent quick response of the Building Commissioner and thanked him for a job well done.

Mr. Parent stated that Kate Hogan has just been appointed to the third highest ranking leadership position in the House and he suggested that the Board send a letter of congratulations.

Mr. Parent stated he wanted to discuss safety issues around the rotary during elections. He noted that in the past candidates and their supporters would hold signs in the rotary however he is now questioning whether this is safe. Mr. Duplisea suggested that the Police Chief look at this and make a suggestion. Mr. Durant thinks this practice should end as this cannot be done safely anymore.

Mr. Parent gave the Board a quick update regarding the EA search committee. He explained that there were a total of 44 applications. After reviewing them the numbers dwindled down to 7 candidates. He recommended that the Board meet in executive session. An executive session will be held Thursday (02/25) at 7:00 PM.

Mr. Duplisea noted the retirement of long-time high school hockey coach Michael Narnartowich. He served in this capacity for over 31 years.

7. Correspondence to be Noted by Clerk:

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to note the correspondence of its meeting of February 22, 2012.

8. Executive Session:

9. Adjourn:

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to adjourn its meeting of February 22, 2012 at 8:10 PM.

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Document List – February 22, 2021

Documents available at BOS Office and on BoardDocs.com

1. Public session minutes – February 8, 2021.
2. Personnel memos – Saluk, Neimi.
3. Contracts – Lapan Mechanical Contractors, DPW Director.
4. Donation for VetRides.
5. May Town Meeting Warrant.
6. Mosquito Control Project proposed FY 22 budget.
7. Approved snow and ice transfer memo.
8. Assabet excess and deficiency calculations.