



Town of Hudson

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

Minutes—February 8, 2021

78 Main Street 2nd Floor 7:00 PM

1. **Call to Order:**

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

2. **Minutes to be Approved:**

a) Public session minutes – January 25, 2021

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to approve the public session minutes of January 25, 2021.

b) Executive session minutes – January 25, 2021

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to approve the executive session minutes of January 25, 2021.

c) Public session minutes – February 3, 2021

On a motion by Mr. Durant, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 4-0-1 by roll call to approve the public session minutes of February 3, 2021. Mr. Duplisea abstained.

3. **Personnel:**

a) Selectmen to note the Constable vacancy due to the death of George McGee, any appointment made by the Board will be effective until May 10, 2021.

The Board noted the vacancy.

b) Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Debbie Papa to the Hudson Cultural Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2023.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to approve the appointment of Debbie Papa to the Hudson Cultural Council for a term to expire on December 31, 2023.

c) Selectmen to note the resignation of Carlos Correia as Laborer for the DPW, effective January 26, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call vote to note the resignation of Carlos Correia as Laborer for the DPW, effective January 26, 2021.

d) Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of David O'Connor as W-2 Laborer for the DPW at a rate of \$22.26 per hour, effective February 9, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to approve the appointment of David O'Connor as W-2 Laborer for the DPW at a rate of \$22.26 per hour, effective February 9, 2021.

e) Selectmen to consider approval of the appointment of Chris Ogilvie as W-2 Laborer for the DPW at a rate of \$22.26 per hour, effective February 9, 2021.

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to approve the appointment of Chris Ogilvie as W-2 Laborer for the DPW at a rate of \$22.26 per hour, effective February 9, 2021.

4. Contracts:

- a) Selectmen to consider approval and authorization to sign a contract for \$9500 with BSC Group for Bidding Assistance and Construction Administration Services for the Riverwalk Project.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to approve and authorize the signing of a contract for \$9500 with BSC Group for Bidding Assistance and Construction Administration Services for the Riverwalk Project.

5. General:

- a) Selectmen to consider applying and authorizing the signing of an application to receive funding through the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism's Travel and Tourism Recovery Grant Program.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to apply and authorize the signing of an application to receive funding through the Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism's Travel and Tourism Recovery Grant Program.

- b) Selectmen to consider amending the Town's Traffic Rules and Regulations under Article IV Stopping, Standing and Parking, Section 6 Limited Duration Parking Zones: No person shall park a vehicle longer than 15 minutes between the hours of 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM any day except Sunday by adding the following ***the parking space directly in front of the handicapped space at 3 Washington Street.***

On a motion by Mr. Lucy, seconded by Mr. Parent, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to amend the Town's Traffic Rules and Regulations under Article IV Stopping, Standing and Parking, Section 6 Limited Duration Parking Zones: No person shall park a vehicle longer than 15 minutes between the hours of 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM any day except Sunday by adding the following the parking space directly in front of the handicapped space at 3 Washington Street.

- c) Selectmen to consider adopting and endorsing an anti-racism statement.

Mr. Moses explained that came about due to a recent road rage and hate crime incident in Belmont which involved a Hudson resident. He believes this served as a wake up call that people capable of these crimes are in all communities and he thinks this is the right time to make a strong statement against these crimes. Mr. Lucy noted that a mechanism should be included in the statement in which to report incidences.

Tina Grosowski spoke in support of this and thanked Mr. Moses for his work on creating the statement.

Mr. Moses stated that he will add an action point in which the EA and the Police Chief will be the ones in which to report such incidences. The Board agreed.

On a motion by Mr. Parent, seconded by Mr. Duplisea, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to adopt and endorse an anti-racism statement for the Town of Hudson.

- d) Selectmen to discuss the logistics of the May Annual Town Meeting.

Mr. Moses suggested that the meeting be held outside on a Saturday. Mr. Durant agreed and decided on May 1st at noon with a rain date of May 8th at noon in the High School parking lot. The Board agreed.

6. Budget:

| Department | Dept. # | Tab # | Amount Request | Motion | Second | Vote |
|------------------------------|---------|-------|----------------|--------|----------|------|
| Public Works | Various | 19 | \$7,578,927 | Parent | Durant | 5-0 |
| DPW Capital Plan | | 4 | \$300,000 | Parent | Duplisea | 5-0 |
| Fire | 2200 | 17 | \$3,682,819 | Durant | Lucy | 5-0 |
| Police | 2100 | 16 | \$3,952,804 | Durant | Lucy | 5-0 |
| Recreation & Park Commission | 6300 | 24 | \$415,096 | Durant | Lucy | 5-0 |
| Assabet Valley Regional Voc. | --- | 30 | | | | |
| Operations | | | \$2,793,451 | | | |
| Capital | | | \$392,267 | | | |
| AVRT Total | | | \$3,185,718 | Durant | Lucy | 5-0 |

7. Citizens' Issues:

- a) Selectmen to meet with Ronald Sorgman to discuss creating an Architectural Review Board in town.

Mr. Sorgman explained that the goal of this review board would be to promote good design that is compatible with neighborhood preservation. Ms. Johnson noted that an additional review board would add yet another layer of complexity to the approval process. She listed others reasons as well that she did not think this is a good idea. Mr. Parent agreed and noted that this could potentially discourage development.

Mr. Duplisea stated that he would like to see something in writing that would be distributed among various departments and Town Counsel for comments before even considering this. Mr. Lucy is not interested in pursuing this. Mr. Durant does not want to add any more regulations on property owners and stated that this is not a direction that the Board wants to go in.

- b) Selectmen to meet with Tina Grosowsky to discuss diversity in Town.

Ms. Grosowsky withdrew her request.

8. Town Issues:**9. Correspondence to be Noted by Clerk:**

On a motion by Mr. Quinn, seconded by Mr. Lucy, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to note the correspondence of its meeting of February 8, 2021.

10. Executive Session:**11. Adjourn:**

On a motion by Mr. Duplisea, seconded by Mr. Durant, the Board voted 5-0 by roll call to adjourn its meeting of February 8, 2021 at 9:00 PM.

Select Board

Document List – February 8, 2021

Documents available at BOS Office and on BoardDocs.com

1. Public session minutes January 25 and February 3, 2021.
2. Personnel memo – McGee, Papa, Correia, O'Connor and Ogilvie.
3. BSC Group Contract.
4. Recovery grant program grant.
5. Memo regarding parking in front of the library.
6. Periodic letter to members from HBA.
7. Letter from DHCD.
8. Shared Winter Streets and Spaces Latest Round Announcement.
9. Route 15 January ridership.
10. January Fire leave reports.
11. Memo to BOS from Chief Johannes.
12. May Town Meeting Warrant (Draft).
13. Revised BOS 2021 meeting schedule.

Document List

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