

Approved: June 14, 2022

Select Board  
Meeting Minutes  
May 24, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.  
59 Main Street, Hatfield, MA

Present: Select Board Chair Diana Szynal, Members Brian Moriarty and Edmund Jaworski; Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator; David Capriati, The Beer Guy; Bobby Betsold and Paul Labbee; Phil Genovese, DPW Director

**CALL TO ORDER** Chair Szynal called the meeting to order at 6:41p.m.

**PUBLIC FORUM** Paul Labbee and Bobby Betsold made the announcement of the Memorial Day march. It will be held on Sunday, May 29, 2022 at 12:30 beginning at the Legion, down Maple to Main Street. A flyover will start the march. We are also commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Legion. In addition to the Legion marching will be veterans, Town officials, antique cars and tractors, The Chester Fife and Drum Core along with the Melha Shriner's. There will be road closures - Elm Street at Dwight Street; Main and School Streets and Prospect Street by the market will be closed at 12:00 p.m. Selectman Jaworski announced that the Legion Honor Guard will be going to each cemetery beginning at 10:00 a.m. There will be a chicken barbecue on Monday. Tickets can be obtained from Tom Tataro and the cut off day for purchasing tickets is Wednesday. You can contact Tom Tataro, Ed Jaworski.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** Chair Szynal gave congratulations to those who won seats on the various Boards - Adam Sullivan, David Lee Bell and Bob Osley. She thanked the voters for another term. Selectman Jaworski announced the Council on Aging has the Dan Kane Singers at the pavilion on July 22<sup>nd</sup>. You can look at website for further information. The summer concert series is being held this summer. You can check the Town's website or Facebook page for more information.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Selectman Moriarty made a motion to approve the Select Board executive session minutes of March 29, 2022, Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, minutes approved. Selectman Moriarty made a motion to approve the Select Board minutes of March 31, 2022, Selectman Jaworski seconded, Chair Szynal abstained from voting as she was not present, no discussion, all in favor – aye, minutes approved. Selectman Moriarty made a motion to approve the Select Board meeting minutes of May 3, 2022 and May 10, 2022, Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, minutes approved. Selectman Moriarty made a motion to approve the Select Board minutes of May 18, 2022 and the executive session minutes of May 18, 2022, Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, minutes approved.

**POSTED BUSINESS**

**TOPIC 1** Reorganization of Select Board: Selectman Moriarty made a motion to nominate Diana Szynal Chair of the Hatfield Select Board, Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, motion approved. Department liaisons were tabled.

TOPIC 2      One Day Liquor License for The Beer Guy, LLC for June 5, 2022, 12:00-5:00PM at Lions Club Pavilion for a family dinner party: David Capriati is requesting a one-day liquor license for a family dinner party to be held on June 5, 2022 between 12:00 and 5:00 PM. Selectman Jaworski made a motion to approve the one-day liquor license for The Beer Guy LLC for the family dinner at the Lions Club Pavilion on June 5, 2022 between 12:00 and 5:00 PM; Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, motion approved.

Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator, requested the Board go out of order and take up unanticipated new business of the Shared Streets and Space Program application. Mr. Genovese informed the Board he applied for this grant and won. There will be flashing crosswalk signals placed at Smith Academy, Main Street and Elm Street. The grant is in the amount of \$56,641.52. Selectman Moriarty thanked Mr. Genovese and Mr. Barry for their work in obtaining this grant and reminded motorists – slow down! If you see a pedestrian assume that they will walk out in front of you. People need to slow down. Selectman Moriarty made a motion to enter into the agreement for Shared Streets and Space Program with the MassDOT, Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, motion approved.

TOPIC 3      Appointments:

Comprehensive Planning Committee: Topic tabled.

Election Workers: Ms. Michonski informed the Board the Town Clerk has recommended four individual as election workers when needed. Selectman Moriarty made a motion to appoint Marlene Michonski, Karen Brodeur, Matthew Hunt and Brenda Keir as election workers to be called upon when needed; Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, motion approved.

Decommission 350<sup>th</sup> Committee: Selectman Moriarty made a motion to decommission the 350<sup>th</sup> Committee as requested by the 350<sup>th</sup> and by Town meeting; Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, motion approved.

TOPIC 4      Town Administrator Report:

Employee Carryover of Vacation Time: Marlene Michonski informed the Board of the request for vacation carryover time from Phil Genovese, Kenneth Holhut and Anthony Lastowski. Selectman Moriarty made a motion to approve the carryover time as requested by Phil Genovese, Kenneth Holhut and Anthony Lastowski, Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, motion approved. The Select Board reminded all employees to take their time and that the Board cannot keep letting employees carry time over.

Vehicle Lease Agreement Resolution: Ms. Michonski requested the Select Board to vote on the Vehicle Lessee Agreement Resolution. Selectman Moriarty made a motion to approve and enter into the Vehicle Lessee Agreement Resolution as approved at Town meeting; Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, motion approved.

Authorization for Administrator to Select Fuel Contracts: Ms. Michonski is requesting the Select Board to give her authorization to select and sign the fuel contracts with FCRG. She reminded the Board that FCRG put this out to bid and the DPW participates in it. Selectman Moriarty made a motion for the Town Administrator to have authority to sign the fuel contracts on behalf of the Town; Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, motion approved.

TOPIC 5      Proposed CT River Trail: Topic is tabled at the request of Open Space Committee.

Executive Session: MGL Ch. 30A, §21a. 1. Executive session is postponed at the request of the union.

#### **UNANTICIPATED NEW BUSINESS**

#### **ADJOURN**

Selectman Moriarty made a motion to adjourn at 7:13 p.m.; Selectman Jaworski seconded, no discussion, all in favor – aye, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully,

Karen Brodeur  
Executive Assistant