

# Board of Selectmen

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April 16, 2019  
Regular Session 7:00pm

Present: Mr. Paul Healey, Ms. Mary Power, Ms. Karen Johnson, Mr. Tom Mayo, Town Administrator, Ms. Michelle Monsegur, Assistant Town Administrator.

## **Approval of Minutes**

No minutes to approve.

## **Public Comment**

No public comment.

## **Volunteer Recognition**

Mr. Healey recognized the members of the Water Company Acquisition Study Committee for their tireless, work, dedication and devotion to the Town on this issue. Each of these individual's volunteers, giving up of their own time, lending their substantial expertise to an issue that is one of the greatest issues that this town has ever and will ever consider. This will be joined on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Mr. Healey asked the each of the four members of the committee to step forward in order to receive proclamations that were read (individually) and presented to: Jonathan Asher, Edward Siegfried, Joshua Krumholz and Robert Higgins (Joseph Bierwirth not present).

Mr. Higgins read a note of gratitude to Mr. Healey for his role on the Planning Board and the Board of Selectmen.

## **Six Station Street**

Discussion of proposed modifications to the right of way and sidewalk closure related to Six Station Street. Attorney Richard Henderson, Landscape Architect, Sean Papich, Legal Counsel, Susan Murphy, Developer, Matthew Falconeiri, all present and addressed questions and comments from the Board.

## **First vote:**

Ms. Johnson made a motion that, pursuant to Hingham General Bylaws Article 10, the Board approve certain improvements within the rights of way of North Street and Station Street as described in the letter of Attorney Richard Henderson, dated January 23, 2019, and annotated Preliminary Landscape Plan, revised March 6, 2019, by Sean Papich (the "Improvements"), subject to the following conditions:

1. The brick walkway and vertical granite curbing (modifications #1, #4, and #5) shall be installed with Town-approved materials and to Town standards.
2. AAB/ADA compliant ramps shall be constructed in accordance with applicable accessibility laws and regulations.
3. The type and location of the proposed bike rack shall be subject to approval by the Department of Public Works prior to installation.
4. The Improvements shall include the installation of two street lamps consistent with Town materials and standards, provided that the cost to the applicant shall not exceed \$6,000 with the remainder of such cost to be paid by the Town.
5. The Improvements shall be subject to the inspection by, and approval of, the Board of Selectmen or its designee. Except as expressly provided herein with respect to the Landscaped Areas (as herein defined), upon the Town's written approval of the Improvements, the Improvements shall become the responsibility of the Town.
6. Approval of the installation of the landscaped areas in the right of way (modification #2) (the "Landscaped Areas") shall constitute a revocable, non-exclusive license and shall not be deemed to confer easement rights or any other right or interest in the right of way. The Landscaped Areas shall be maintained by the owner of 6 Station (its successors and assigns) (the "Owner") in a neat and presentable manner. This license is revocable by the Town in whole or in part at any time with or without cause upon written notice to the Owner. Upon such revocation, the area of the right of way comprised of the Landscaped Areas shall (to the extent of the revocation) become the responsibility of the Town and may be modified by the Town in the Town's sole discretion.
7. The Town shall not be responsible or liable for any damage to property, or injury to persons, arising from the claim of any person during the installation of the Improvements. By undertaking the Improvements, the Owner shall be deemed to have agreed to indemnify and hold the Town harmless with respect to any costs or damages, including, without limitation, the Town's costs of

enforcement of this license, and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, arising from the claim of any person alleging personal injury or damage to property as a result of (a) the installation or condition the Improvements prior to the Town's approval thereof, and (b) the condition of the Landscaped Areas with respect to the maintenance of the Landscaped Areas so long as the license remains in effect. Ms. Power seconded. All were in favor, 3-0.

### **Second vote:**

Ms. Power made a motion that, pursuant to Hingham General Bylaws Article 10, the Board approve the request of Falconeri Construction to close a portion of the public sidewalk within the public way of North Street directly abutting the property at 6 Station Street, as shown on the plan entitled "Site Phasing Plan, Phase -2 & 3 Construction Plan", dated January 8, 2019, prepared by Stekalovskky Architecture Inc., for a period commencing as of the date of issuance of the building permit for the property, and continuing for 15 months, subject to the following conditions:

1. A minimum width of 4' shall be maintained between the fence and the curb along North Street.
2. An extension of the extent of the sidewalk closure or the period of sidewalk closure shall be subject to further approval by the Board of Selectmen.
3. All dumpsters, construction materials, and construction vehicles shall be located within the fenced area on the site and not permitted within any public right of way or the Station Street parking lot. Ms. Johnson seconded. All were in favor, 3-0.

### **Public Comment:**

Jim Watson, 291 Rockland Street.

### **Legislative Update**

Senator Patrick O'Connor, Representative Joan Meschino, presented Beacon Hill Update. Slide handout was given to the Board.

In honor of Mr. Healey's last Board of Selectmen's meeting, Representative Meschino presented Mr. Healey with a Citation from the House of Representatives. Senator O'Connor presented Mr. Healey with a Resolution from the Massachusetts State Senate.

### **Merchants Parking Lot** (lot behind 29 Main Street stretching out to Central Street):

Ms. Monsegur provided background and an update on the 2002 license agreement between the Town and Merchant parking lot owners. BJ Selenkow, one of the parking lot owners, was present in the audience and addressed questions and comments from the Board. The Board thanked Ms. Selenkow for her generosity to the Town for allowing the public use of their lot.

Ms. Johnson made a motion that in accordance with Section 3 of the License Agreement, dated October 15, 2002, the Board approve the designation of 12 parking spaces in the Merchants Parking Lot as shown on a plan entitled "Merchants Parking Lot Designated Parking Plan", dated April 16, 2019, for tenant-only use during the hours of 8:00 am through 7:00 pm. Ms. Power seconded. All were in favor, 3-0.

### **Appointments**

Mr. Healey made a motion to reappoint the following personnel as Special Police Officers for the Town of Hingham for a term ending April 30, 2020:

Raymond Abreau  
Leslie Badger  
Kenneth Corson  
Joseph Driscoll  
Daniel Goldstein  
Maxwell Goldstein  
Jake Handrahan  
David Horte  
Robert Mansfield  
Michael McCue  
Michael Murray  
Kevin Nguyen

John Norkaitis  
John Norris  
Michael Parker  
Mitchell Powers  
Michael Riley  
Charles Souther  
James Taylor  
Russell Way, Jr.  
James Wells  
Brian Willard

Ms. Johnson seconded. All were in favor, 3-0.

Mr. Healey made a motion to appoint the following Officers as Court Prosecutors and back-ups for Hingham District Court for a term ending April 30, 2020:

- Hull PD
  - Officer Michael Flaherty
  - Detective Daniel Dunn
- Hanover PD
  - Sergeant Daniel Salvucci
  - Sergeant Timothy Kane
- Rockland PD
  - Officer Sean Brundige
  - Officer Jeffrey Direnzo
  - Officer Joseph Zielinski
- Scituate PD
  - Sergeant Kenneth Bates
  - Sergeant James Bulman
  - Sergeant James Gilmartin
  - Detective Owen Kirkbride
- Norwell PD
  - Sergeant William Pasteris

Ms. Power seconded. All were in favor, 3-0.

Mr. Healey made a motion to appoint the following detectives as agents of the Board of Selectmen to enforce the laws of the Liquor Control Act and the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC) regulations for all licensed liquor establishments in the Town of Hingham for a term ending April 30, 2020:

- Detective Sergeant Phil Emmott
- Detective Phil Tracey
- Detective Dan Leary

Ms. Johnson seconded. All were in favor, 3-0.

#### **Selectmen/Town Administrator Reports**

Ms. Monsegur, Mr. Mayo, Ms. Johnson and Ms. Power all shared the same sentiments, appreciation and statements towards the work that Mr. Healey has provided to the Town. They ALL stated what an honor and privilege it has been to work with Mr. Healey.

Mr. Healey – Mr. Healey reflected on his work history with the Town. Stated that the water company issue would not have reached the point where it is today without the committed effort of his colleagues, Town Administrator and Assistant Town Administrator. There are a lot of people that he is grateful for working so well with him. Serving the town is contagious – has been a labor of love. Has tried to pass this sense of contribution to his children – some of which currently serve their country. We live in a great town – something special here – people want to come here to live. Thanked his wife – couldn't have done this without her support. Looks forward to seeing everyone at Town Meeting. With regard to the Water Company, what we are advocating, what we are proposing - we would not do this if it weren't in the best interest for the community. Wants his great-great grandchildren to look back, wants them to say that his great-grandfather made the right move on this issue. He hopes the community will join him. We need a two-thirds vote.

This is my last night sitting in this seat. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve you on behalf of the Town of Hingham.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:55pm

**Approved April 22, 2019**

**Sally Sinclair**

**Documents:** A complete meeting packet of supporting documentation is on file and available for public review in the Board of Selectmen's Office.

