

Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date – May 24, 2022

Remote Meeting via Zoom

In Attendance: J. Strehle, G. Danis, N. MacDonald, D. Anderson, B. Black, D. Cooper, R. Curley, K. Dziergowski, M. Goulet, C. Kirk, A. McElaney, S. Melia, T. Sherwood, Town Accountant S. Nickerson.

Absent: A. Macdonald, E. Sheehan

1. Call Meeting to Order

At 7:02pm Chair Strehle called the meeting to order and read the following statement:

“This meeting is being held remotely as an alternate means of public access pursuant to an Order issued by the Governor of Massachusetts dated March 12, 2020, Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law. You are hereby advised that this meeting and all communications during this meeting may be recorded by the Town of Hingham in accordance with the Open Meeting Law. If any participant wishes to record this meeting, please notify the Chairman at the start of the meeting in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20(f) so that the Chair may inform all other participants of said recording.”

2. Comments from the Public Regarding Items Not on the Agenda

None

3. Review and Approval of Minutes from April 28, 2022

Meeting minutes for April 28, 2022, were approved by roll call vote, 8-0.

4. Debriefing re: Budget, Warrant and Town Meeting processes & future outlook

The AdCom had a general discussion regarding last year's budget, the Warrant review process, and a recap of Town Meeting. Mr. Curley suggested that the budget process needs to begin much earlier next year given the Fall Special Town Meeting and Spring Town Meeting anticipated. There was general discussion regarding communication between the AdCom and the School Committee.

5. Liaison Reports

- **School Committee/ACES** - Mr. Anderson reported that there are now 2 newly elected and one reelected member in place and that Michelle Ayer has been elected as Chair, Nes Correnti as Vice Chair, Jen Burnham as Secretary. Aisha Oppong has been hired to replace retiring Business Manager John Ferris
- **Climate Action Committee** - Ms. Black reported that there is a survey in the next electric bill that the Committee hopes all citizens will complete and return.
- **Planning Board** - Mr. Anderson reported that there was a presentation to the Planning Board regarding the pool project.

6. Election of Advisory Committee Officers

Mr. Danis was approved as Chair by roll call vote, 12-0

Ms. MacDonald was approved as Vice Chair by roll call vote, 12-0

Ms. Sherwood was approved as Secretary by roll call vote, 12-0

7. Discussion of Advisory Committee housekeeping items

Chair Ms. Strehle discussed the changing faces of AdCom for the coming year.

Future meetings:

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- Potential meeting on June 22nd with School Committee, Select Board, and Personnel Committee to discuss salary negotiation strategies
- Tuesday, June 28th - final meeting of the year, reserve fund transfers

8. Matters not anticipated within 48 hours of meeting

None

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm by roll call vote, 12-0

Documents Distributed for this Meeting

- Agenda

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy MacDonald
Advisory Committee Secretary

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