

Meeting Minutes of Regular Meeting of Hanover Board of Selectmen held at Town Hall on Monday, January 6, 2020 @ 7:00 PM.

Present were Chairman John C. Tuzik, Vice-Chair, Emmanuel Dockter, Selectmen: David Delaney, and John Barry and Selectwoman Jocelyn Keegan. Also present: Town Manager (TM) Joe Colangelo and Licensing Coordinator/Administrative Assistant Janet Tierney.

At 7:00 p.m. Chairman Tuzik opened the meeting and asked if any member of the audience had any comment or discussion item for the Open Forum portion of the meeting; no response.

The Chair asked the Board to review the meeting minutes they received and postponed their approval to a future meeting.

Appoint Planning Board Member

The Chair asked the Planning Board to stand. The Chairwoman of the Planning Board, Ms. Maryann Brugnoli informed the Board that the Planning Board would like to see Associate Member Giuseppe Fornaro appointed as a Full Member of the Planning Board. The Planning Board by Roll Call Vote, voted to appoint Giuseppe Fornaro as full Member of the Planning Board. The Board of Selectmen then by Roll Call Vote voted to approve the appointment of Giuseppe Fornaro as a Full Member of the Planning Board. Roll Call Vote: Selectman Delaney, aye, Vice-Chair Dockter, aye, Chairman Tuzik, aye, Selectman Barry, aye, Selectwoman Keegan, aye.

License to Store Flammable, Combustible, or Explosives: 0 Washington Street, 1969 Washington Street, 1987 Washington Street

Licensing Coordinator Janet Tierney appeared before the Board and informed the Board of the status of the Cumberland Farms Flammables License Application.

Attorney Dan Monger representing Cumberland Farms and their developer T.M.Crowley, and Christian Farland of Farland Corp., the engineers for Cumberland Farms and their Developer T.M. Crowley appeared before the Board and informed the Board that their fire suppression system had been approved by the State Fire Marshall and the Hanover Fire Department and that they had previously received a special permit from the Planning Board, site plan approval from the Planning Board, as well as an order of conditions from the Conservation Commission.

The Board voted to approve the license application and grant the requested license subject to the requirements of Town of Hanover Bylaw 6-12, MGL Chapter 148 and any and all conditions set forth by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security-Department of Fire Services.

Public Hearing for the Application to Transfer a Class I Auto License from Grubbs Automotive MA, LLC dba Infiniti of Hanover to DMO Hanover, LLC dba Dan O'Brien Infiniti

Selectman Delaney recused himself from this item as he is in the business.

Chairman Tuzik opened the Public Hearing (Notice published in the Patriot Ledger on December 30, 2019, attached) for the transfer of a Class I Auto License.

Mark Hoch, General Manager of Infiniti of Hanover and Thomas Kuhn, COO of Dan O'Brien Infiniti appeared before the Board and gave a quick overview of what they were intending to do.

The Licensing Coordinator informed the Board that the application had gone through interdepartmental approvals and that the parties had not yet executed their Buy-Sell Agreement or Management Agreement. The Board was being asked to approve the license subject to the execution of either or both of those agreements, and if approved, the license would be held in the Selectmen's Office until such time as the agreement is executed and the current license is surrendered. She confirmed that the current license holder was current on all taxes and fees owed to the Town. The Board voted to approve the requested transfer of License subject to the current license restrictions and conditions, the execution of the Buy-Sell and/or Management Agreement between the aforementioned parties and the relinquishment of the current Grubbs Automotive, MA, LLC dba Infiniti of Hanover Class I Auto license to the Board of Selectmen. If approved, the Dan O'Brien Infiniti License shall be held in the Board of Selectmen's Office until the aforementioned agreement(s) execution and the Infiniti of Hanover license is relinquished to the Board of Selectmen's Office.

Licenses & permits for Hanover Day 2020

The Board voted to approve the Cultural Council's requested dates of Friday, June 26th and Saturday, June 27th, 2020 to hold the 15th Annual Hanover Day Celebration.

Initial Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Presentation

TM and the Finance Director presented the "initial" FY2021 budget presentation, attached. They emphasized that this is not the proposed FY2021 budget. The hope is that this presentation will spur on feedback that TM and the Finance Director can use in formulating a proposed FY2021 budget that the Board can support. TM informed the Board that the Director of Public Works, Victor Diniak, coded his own long term budget program which is quite outstanding, and provides much more detail. All Departments are now using this program. The Board asked for additional information and different options and impacts of the presented "levers" so that they can provide concrete feedback. The Chair asked for the Advisory Committee's input. Advisory Committee Chair Ted Hickey appeared before the Board, and mentioned that the Advisory Committee's role is that of advising Town Meeting, but they would be happy to help.

Resident Vanessa O'Connor appeared before the Board and raised two questions she would like more information on. One with regards to the split between commercial and residential taxes, is if there is any leeway where Hanover can still be attractive to businesses while becoming more in line with other Town's along 53, and the other is whether eco taxes have been considered as a way to alleviate the pressure being put on real estate taxes. The Board agreed to hold a special working budget meeting within the next week or so and invite the Advisory Committee (AdCom) and Department Heads.

Review Annual & Special Town Meeting Warrants

TM ran through the Annual and Special Town Meeting Warrants as they currently stand. TM mentioned that the article titled Discontinue Roadway – Woodland Drive will more than likely not make it on the warrant as there will not be enough time to receive the results from a pilot program and make an informed decision. TM clarified that this is just his opinion, others may feel differently, and if the Board wants it on the warrant it will be there. Resident Mike Cianciola appeared before the Board and expressed his surprise and displeasure with the idea of the article not going to Town Meeting.

TM clarified that as it stands right now the warrant does include \$150,000 for Walnut Hill Neighborhood improvements. He further explained that the pilot program can be approved by the Board, and the Traffic Safety Committee will, at their meeting in February, make a recommendation to the Board to move forward with a pilot program. The Board clarified that the pilot program will not take place until after the winter.

TM explained that the discontinuance is a permanent road closure. If the pilot project takes place in April, (after snowfall), the results would more than likely not be received in time for anyone to make a meaningful vote on it at Town Meeting.

The Board clarified that it has legal authority to take action without input from the Traffic Safety Committee, however they have put policies and procedure in place so that these decisions will be made after input from the Traffic Safety Committee. Further stating that this is an issue of timing. The Board clarified that this is the first time the idea of taking this article off of the warrant has been presented to them as well, and that is the purpose of this meeting. The Board discussed that they have not yet made their determination but that Mr. Cianciola has the option of bringing forward a petition article if he chooses to do so.

Mr Cianciola expressed an intention to present an article for an engineering study for sidewalks on Woodland and Dillingham. The Board advised that this might be a misstep.

On a separate issue, the Board requested that some thought be put into the order of the articles on the warrant.

The Board requested an item on the next agenda to discuss any input needed from the Traffic Safety Committee and or the Walnut Hill group so that the February meeting will produce an accurate timeline and be an effective meeting.

Create Fire Station Planning Study Committee

Resident Lisa Mutchler appeared before the board and asked for the makeup of the proposed committee, and a description of the process of applying. The Board encouraged Lisa to apply.

The Board changed the proposed Fire Station Planning Committee from a Sub-Committee to a Study Committee and voted to authorize the creation of the Fire Station Planning Study Committee, as amended.

No executive session was held.

The meeting ended and adjourned at 9:21 PM