

NATICK SELECT BOARD

AGENDA

Edward H. Dlott Meeting Room, Natick Town Hall,
13 East Central Street, Natick, MA 01760 and via
Zoom

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

6:30 PM

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Agenda Posted Friday, 4/26/2024 at 10:45AM

(Times listed are approximate. Agenda items will be addressed in an order determined by the Chair.)

1. 6:30PM OPEN SESSION AND CALL TO ORDER

6:35PM Roll Call Vote to Enter Executive Session

2. EXECUTIVE SESSION

This portion of the meeting is not open to the public.

A. Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(6), to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body - Rhode Island Avenue

3. 6:50PM RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Ratification of Public Employees Local Union 1116 (Clerical) Contract

5. PUBLIC SPEAK

Any individual may raise an issue that is not included on the agenda and it will be taken under advisement by the Board. There will be no opportunity for debate during this portion of the meeting. This section of the agenda is limited to 15 minutes, and any individual addressing the Board during this section of the agenda shall be limited to five minutes.

6. 7:00PM APPOINTMENTS

A. Interview Joanna C. Carey, Ph. D. for the Transportation Advisory Committee

7. 7:15PM DISCUSSION AND DECISION

A. Proclamation for Paul Joseph

B. Special Town Election

C. Mental Health Awareness Month

D. Follow up on Dangerous Dog Hearing Resolution

E. FY25 Water and Sewer Rate Discussion

F. Select Board Representation on Boards and Committees

8. 8:45PM CONSENT AGENDA

A. DMSE Sports - Request to Occupy a Public Way on 10/6/24 for the 2024 Jimmy Fund Walk

B. Approve Cooper Fennell as a permanent Fulltime Police Officer

C. Approve the Cochituate Rail Trail Use Policy

D. Approve Request to Occupy a Public Way for Farwell Street-Area Block Party

E. Approve One Day Wine and Beer Licenses and Request to Occupy a Public Way on Court and Adams Street for Natick Center Associates, Natick Nights

June 6th & 20th

July 4th & 18th

August 1st, 15th & 29th

F. Approve Meeting Minutes for 03/27/2024 and 04/17/2024

G. Appoint Debra Shaw to The Board of Registrars with term ending March 31, 2025

H. Approve Letter of Support for The Town of Weston's 2024STM - Article 17

9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES

10. SELECT BOARD'S UPDATES

11. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Correspondence

12. 9:30PM ADJOURNMENT

Agenda posted in accordance with Provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 30, Sections 18-25

Meeting recorded by Natick Pegasus

ITEM TITLE: Ratification of Public Employees Local Union 1116 (Clerical) Contract
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ITEM TITLE: Interview Joanna C. Carey, Ph. D. for the Transportation Advisory Committee

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Cover letter form Joanna C. Carey, Ph. D.	4/23/2024	Cover Memo
Committee Application Form from Joanna C. Carey, Ph. D.	4/23/2024	Cover Memo

April 12, 2024

Dear Town of Natick Board of Selectmen & Town Administrator

Please find enclosed my application to become a member of the Transportation Committee for Natick. I have been a resident of Natick for a bit over 3 years and am eager to become involved in helping the town address civic issues. My husband and I have two children and a dog, all of whom love Natick. As a tenured professor at Babson College, I plan to maintain Natick as my home for decades to come. I feel passionate about transportation in this town and have ideas for improving our town's transportation issues.

My relevant education includes a Bachelor's of Science in Environmental Planning and Policy, which allowed me to study land use planning and transportation. I also have an M.S. in Environmental Science and a PhD in Earth Science. I currently serve on numerous committees for my professional work, including chairing a large college-wide academic policy committee. This experience provides me with background on how committees successfully function and achieve goals.

In addition, I formally sat on the West Broadway Neighborhood Association committee when I lived in Providence, RI. Moreover, I worked on many civic issues with towns throughout the Commonwealth in my former position as a streamflow specialist with the MA Department of Fish & Game. Together, my experience and education make me well suited to help the town on transportation issues.

Thank you for your consideration. Feel free to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joanna C. Carey'.

Joanna C. Carey, Ph.D.

187 Bacon St. Natick, MA
Cell: 315.521.0562



Committee Application Form

Town of Natick
Board of Selectmen / Town Administrator
13 East Central Street
Natick, MA 01760
(508) 647-6410
selectmen@natickma.org

Thank you for your interest in serving the Town of Natick. Please use this form for appointments made by the Board of Selectmen or the Town Administrator. You may also provide a letter and/or resumé. After we receive your application, you will be contacted regarding next steps.

Position applied for: Member

Please check if this is a ☒ new appointment or ☐ reappointment

Name: Dr. Joanna C Carey

Address: 187 Bacon St, Natick MA 01760

Phone: 315-521-0562

Email (optional): joanna.carey@gmail.com

Relevant experience: I used to serve on the West Broadway Neighborhood Association committee (Providence, RI). I currently chair the Undergraduate Academic Policy Committee and am a Faculty Senator at Babson College, providing me understanding of how committees function. In former work for the Commonwealth, I engaged with community groups across the State on variety of civic issues

Relevant education: _____

B.S. Environmental Planning and Policy.

MS. Environmental Science. PhD. Earth Science.

Please check if you... ☒ are familiar with the State Ethics Law

☐ have attended a State Ethics Law seminar

Please check if you are enclosing a ☒ letter and/or a ☐ resumé

Signature: Joanna C Carey

Send to Board of Selectmen, 13 East Central Street, Natick MA 01760; fax (508) 647-6401

ITEM TITLE: Proclamation for Paul Joseph
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ITEM TITLE: Special Town Election

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Info for special election	4/17/2024	Exhibit



Town of Natick
Town Clerk's Office
13 East Central Street
Natick, MA 01760
508-647-6430

MEMORANDUM

SENT VIA EMAIL

TO: Select Board,
cc: J. Errickson, J. Marshall, K. North, S. Dutcher, R. Hewitt
FROM: D. Packer
DATE: April 17, 2024
RE: Special Election Scheduled for September 2024

This memo will provide some pertinent information and guidelines for determining the timing of the special election for the Associate Planning Board position. A more detailed political calendar with specific dates will be published after a date is voted.

The Board may choose to have this election on the same day as the State Primary (September 3rd) or may choose another day. Assuming that the Board does not want to hold this election prior to September 3rd, the last day the board can send notification to the Clerk that they have called a special election is July 1st. Notification can be provided to the clerk any time after a date is determined. Nomination papers should be available once a date is determined.

The pros and cons to holding the election on the same day as the primary are detailed below:

PROS

- The polls will be set up and open all day.
- The machines can be programmed for both ballots so there is no need to rent extra machines.
- The need to rent extra poll pads and their availability is still to be determined, pending information from the vendor.
- Election officials (wardens, clerks and police officers) can be used for both elections.

CONS

- The State Primary will include a week of in-person early voting and if the elections are the same day, we will be required to hold early voting in person for the special election as well.
- As these are two distinct elections, it is required to have separate check-ins, therefore the number of inspectors is doubled.
- The hours the polls are open cannot be reduced if the election is held the same day as the State Primary. In 2022, the Board chose to reduce the hours to 11AM-7PM for the Special Election.

Regardless of whether the elections are held the same day, any voter who requests/requested a ballot by mail for all elections this year, will receive one for the special election. In addition, the State will be sending out a new postcard (probably in July) to any voter who did not yet request a ballot by mail and, if at that time the voter checks all elections this year, they will receive a ballot for the special election.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

ITEM TITLE: Mental Health Awareness Month
ITEM SUMMARY:

ITEM TITLE: Follow up on Dangerous Dog Hearing Resolution

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Findings of the Hearing Officer	10/31/2023	Cover Memo

TOWN OF NATICK

IN THE MATTER OF:
DOBROW CANINE
AKA: RV

**DANGEROUS DOG HEARING
DECISION OF THE HEARING OFFICER**

INTRODUCTION

The Select Board for the Town of Natick ("Select Board") received a complaint regarding an incident that occurred on July 22, 2023 in vicinity of 5 Azalea Circle in the Town of Natick. The complaint alleged that one canine aka "RV" owned by Mindy Dobrow of 5 Azalea Circle, Natick ("Respondent") attacked Ann M. Paxton of 1 Azalea Circle ("Complainant"), Natick causing serious injury. The complaint asked for relief pursuant to M.G.L c. 140 section 157.

The Natick Board of Select Board at a public meeting on August 9, 2023 considered the complaint and pursuant to M.G.L c. 140 section 157 voted to conduct a public hearing to determine if the canine RV was a dangerous dog in accordance with the statute and to order the appropriate remedy if necessary. Deputy Town Administrator, John M. Townsend was duly appointed as hearing officer in the matter.

HEARING

A public hearing was duly noticed and convened on September 18, 2023 at 3:00 pm at the Natick Town Hall. The following individuals were present and participated in the hearing:

- 1) John M. Townsend, Deputy Town Administrator- Hearing Officer;
- 2) David DeLuca Esq. - Town Counsel;
- 3) Officer Peter Cunningham – Natick Police Officer and Animal Control Officer;
- 4) George Richards Esq. – Counsel for Respondent
- 5) Ann M. Paxton – Complainant;
- 6) Mindy Dobrow – Respondent;
- 7) Jane Murphy – Neighbor, 3 Azalea Circle; and,
- 8) Joanne Schmalenberger - Friend of Ms. Dobrow and familiar with RV.

The following documents were submitted into evidence:

1. Natick Police Incident Reports dated July 24, 2023.- Exhibit 1
2. Mass General Brigham Medical Records dated July 22, 2023. – Exhibit 2
3. Medical Records of PCP Nadaa Ali, M.D dated July 25, 2022 to September 5, 2023. – Exhibit 3
4. Photographs of Victim's injuries dated July 22, 2023. – Exhibit 4
5. Google Map Location of 5 Azalea Circle, Natick, MA. – Exhibit 5
6. Puppies.com internet page of Mindy Dobrow, Chinese Crested Breed. – Exhibit 6
7. ACO Cunningham review and recommendation: Ian Dunbar Dog Bite Scale Behavior Modification – Exhibit 7
8. Notice of Hearing dated August 23, 2023, MGL c. 1.40, § 157, Natick General Bylaws, Article 50, Section 16. – Exhibit 8
9. Statutory Authority – M.G.L. c. 140 §§157, 157A, 158, 159, 160, 161, 161A, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 173A. Town of Natick by-law Article 50 §16 – Exhibit 9
10. Statement of Mindy Dobrow – Exhibit 10
11. Photographs – 5 Azalea Circle – Exhibit 11
12. Claims letter of Ann Paxton – July 26, 2023 – Exhibit 12
13. Vaccination Certificate for Arvy Dobrow – July 22, 2023 – Exhibit 13
14. Town of Natick Animal Control Officer Kennel Inspection Report – July 24, 2023 – Exhibit 14
15. Statement of William McNeil of Compatible Canine regarding evaluation of RV – September 18, 2023 – Exhibit 15

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On July 22, 2023 at approximately 12:30 pm Ann Paxton (hereinafter, "Complainant") observed several small dogs, later identified as Chinese Crested dogs, on or about her property at 1 Azalea Circle, Natick Massachusetts.
2. Complainant's daughter identified the dogs as belonging to Mindy Dobrow (hereinafter, "Respondent") residing at 5 Azalea Circle. The daughter was familiar with the dogs having observed them while babysitting for Jessica Murphy who resides at 3 Azalea Circle, abutting the Respondent's property.
3. Due to her concern regarding the safety of the dogs wandering into a busy street, the Complainant followed the four dogs as they headed back toward the Respondent's property.
4. The Respondent's property located at 5 Azalea Circle is set back off the public way and surrounded by a metal fence. The Complainant lead the four dogs up the drive towards the main drive gate which was closed. There was a communication box on a pole on the left-hand side of the driveway. There is also a small pedestrian gate located to the right of the main gate which was open and the Complainant lead the dogs to that gate in an attempt to get them through that gate into the Respondent's fenced enclosure.
5. Upon reaching the pedestrian gate, the Complainant noticed two larger dogs running down the lawn inside the enclosure from the house toward the pedestrian gate. Complainant attempted to close the gate, however, the two larger dogs from inside the enclosure made it through and joined the other four dogs outside of the pedestrian gate.
6. Complainant drew back toward the communications box by the driveway in front of the main gate. All six dogs followed, barking and surrounding her.
7. Complainant attempted to use the communications box to buzz the Respondent. Not receiving a response, she keyed in the number listed on the communications box. The call was answered, however, due to the barking of the dogs who continued to surround her, she could not communicate with the person who answered the call.
8. Upon conclusion of the call, the Complainant was attacked from behind by the black standard poodle, later identified as RV. RV bit the Complainant on the left posterior thigh multiple times and ripping large holes in her pant legs.
9. Despite her injuries, the Complainant managed to get all dogs back into the enclosure and get the gate closed.
10. Complainant sought medical care for the bites. One of the bites required 4 sutures. In addition to treatment for the bites, Complainant also received rabies vaccine as RV had not been vaccinated for rabies as he was only five months old at the time of the incident and not eligible to be vaccinated due to his young age.
11. Other than the event, which is the subject matter of this hearing, there was no evidence offered at the hearing of any other aggressive behavior by RV and no testimony that he had ever been seen outside of the Respondent's enclosure with or without supervision. Respondent did offer a written statement from a dog trainer that he had assessed RV after the incident and not witnessed any aggressive reactions from the dog. Officer Cunningham testified that he had seen RV on one of his visits to the Respondent's property with the Respondent and that RV had been well behaved.

DISCUSSION

M.G.L c. 140 section 157 provides in pertinent part;

Based on credible evidence and testimony presented at the public hearing, the hearing authority shall: (i) if the dog is complained of as a nuisance dog, either dismiss the complaint or deem the dog a nuisance dog; or (ii) if the dog is complained of as a dangerous dog: (A) dismiss the complaint; (B) deem the dog a nuisance dog; or (C) deem the dog a dangerous dog.

Given the nature of the complaint, the evidence produced at the hearing and the injuries sustained by Complainant, I will treat the issues raised by the Complainant as a dangerous dog complaint.

Section 157(a) provides guidance as to what factors may mitigate the finding of a dangerous dog. It is undisputed from the testimony offered at the hearing that the Complainant was not attacking, teasing or otherwise acting inappropriately to any of the dogs. Indeed, the Complainant's interaction with the dogs was an attempt to return them safely to their home. Likewise, based on the testimony at the hearing I find that the Complainant did not "breach an enclosure ... in which the dogs were kept" or otherwise enter into a restricted area. The Complainant did approach the gates of the Respondent's property but the configuration of the area, complete with communications box, clearly indicated that the public was intended to have access to this area and I so find. The actions of the Complainant did not in any way cause or mitigate the actions of the canine in question, RV.

The particular exception that may be germane to these proceedings is Section 157(a) that provides in part:

(iii) if the dog was reacting to another animal or to a person and the dog's reaction was not grossly disproportionate to any of the following circumstances:

(1) the dog was protecting or defending itself, its offspring, another domestic animal or a person from attack or assault;

From the Complainant's testimony at the hearing, it is clear, that while the sole perpetrator of the attack that resulted in the injury to the Complainant was RV, all of the dogs were involved in the incident. The Complainant testified that both of the standard poodles, "barked aggressively" at her and that the smaller dogs "circled at her feet and nipped at the bottoms of her trousers." At the moment of the attack, she testified that the white standard poodle that had come down from the house with RV was immediately in front of her when RV bit her from the back. Given the young age of RV, the fact that all the dogs were from the same household and the coordinated nature of all the dogs stance toward the Complainant, it is likely that the dogs did consider themselves a pack and RV was "protecting or defending itself... another domestic animal" from a perceived "attack or assault." However, given my findings above regarding the Complainant's

disposition toward the attacking dog and the serious nature of the bites inflicted, I do not find this to be a mitigating circumstance with regards to determining whether or not RV is a dangerous dog but it is an important consideration in determining the disposition of this case.

Based upon the creditable evidence and testimony offered at the public hearing regarding this matter, I find that pursuant to M.G.L. c.140 Section 157 the canine RV owned by Mindy Dobrow of 5 Azalea Circle, Natick Massachusetts is a **DANGEROUS DOG**.

Decision

Pursuant to Section 157, with the finding that RV is a dangerous dog, I must order at least one of the listed remedies, M.G.L. c.140 Section 157 (c) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v), (vi), (vii). Given the nature of the incident and the recommendations of the Animal Control Officer, I will consider section (vii) first, "that the dog be humanely euthanized."

The Animal Control Officer, Peter Cunningham provided a thorough report and valuable testimony at the hearing. Officer Cunningham testified, in accordance with his report, that due to the nature of the attack, lack of corrective action during the incident and severity of the bites, he felt that RV would bite again. He concludes that only euthanizing would make certain that the dog does not repeat the behavior, or in the alternative remedial actions pursuant to M.G.L c. 147 sec. 157 (c) would need to be implemented and enforced.

Euthanizing of the dog is an option under sec 157(c)(vii), which I will note is the last alternative listed. For the reasons set forth below, I do not believe that euthanizing RV is necessary, and I do not order it.

The testimony of the Complainant regarding the sequence of the attack provides the only firsthand testimony regarding the dog's actual behavior prior to the attack. Her testimony established that RV came down from the house, through the gate and initially "barked aggressively". I note that it is always difficult to assess timeframes during stressful incidents and take this into consideration with regards to the Complainant's testimony that the time from the dogs coming through the gate, going over to the communication box, trying to buzz than call the Respondent and the final attack by RV was approximately five minutes. Even if we reduce that time frame to two minutes, it is clear that RV did not immediately attack the Complainant upon coming into direct contact with her. It was only after coalescing of the pack around the Complainant that the attack occurred.

The other testimony proved at the hearing regarding RV's behavior also does not show a wildly out of control dog. Officer Cunningham testified that he observed RV with the Respondent during a visit and did not see anything out of the ordinary. Joanne Schmalenberger testified that she had observed and interacted with RV on numerous occasions and never witnessed any aggressive behavior, I find her testimony to be credible. Finally, the written statement of William McNeil of Compatible Canine, a professional dog trainer who independently assessed RV, did not observe and was not able to initiate any aggressive actions from RV.

Mindy Dobrow, RV's owner testified that RV was five months old at the time of the attack. This is also supported by the documented lack of rabies vaccination, which is not available to a dog under 6 months of age. Ms. Dobrow owns a dog grooming business, breeds dogs and maintains all of her dogs in excellent condition. Her home has professional grade facilities for housing dogs. I find that she is capable of and well suited to carrying out the measures necessary to help RV develop into a good, non-dangerous dog.¹

Based upon the forgoing factors and the alternative remedial measures outlined by the Animal Control Officer in his report, I am confident that with the appropriate remedial measures set forth below, the safety of the community can be ensured with out the destruction of a puppy.

Based upon the finding that the canine RV is a **DANGEROUS DOG** and for the reasons stated above the owner Mindy Dobrow is ordered to take the following remedial actions to safeguard the community.

1. Canine RV is immediately confined to the premises of 5 Azalea Circle. "Premises" shall mean the interior of the house and the kennels in the backyard. The fenced portion of the front yard and other portions of the property are explicitly excluded from the premises until the Animal Control Officer certifies compliance with paragraphs 4, 5, 6, and 7 of this order.
2. Canine RV may only leave the premises for the following reasons: exercise on a route approved by the Animal Control Officer; veterinary care; training in compliance with the terms of this order; an emergency on the premise; or upon the approval of the Animal Control Officer.
3. At all times while off premise pursuant to paragraph 2, Canine RV shall:
 - a. Wear an appropriately fitted "basket muzzle" made of wire or leather; and,
 - b. Be restrained by a leash having a minimum tensile strength of 300 pounds and not exceed three (3) feet in length.
4. The owner of canine RV shall provide proof of a valid Natick dog license and shall maintain such dog license.
5. The owner of canine RV shall within thirty days of this order provide proof of insurance in an amount not less than \$100,000 insuring the owner or keeper against any claim, loss, damage or injury to persons, domestic animals or property resulting from the acts, whether intentional or unintentional, of the dog or proof that reasonable efforts were made to obtain such insurance if a policy has not been issued.
6. The dog RV shall be altered so that the dog shall not be reproductively intact, unless the Respondent provides evidence that a veterinarian is of the opinion that the dog is unfit for alterations because of a medical condition.
7. All gates on the property should be kept in good working order and kept locked while RV is on the premises. Each gate to the property shall have signage, approved by the Animal

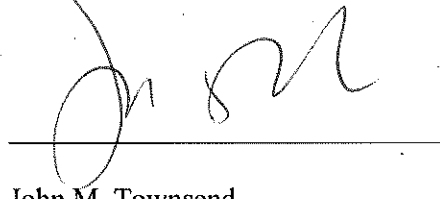
¹ I am aware that there may be outstanding issues regarding the Respondent's use of the premise as a kennel. I do not nor should anything in this opinion be construed as endorsing or making any findings regarding the use of her premises as a kennel. The scope of my findings is restricted to the care and handling of the canine RV.

Control Officer, affixed to the exterior of the gate warning the public that a dangerous dog is on the premises.

8. The owner shall within one year from the date of this order provide written certification from a professional dog behaviorist and trainer, approved in advance by the Animal Control Officer, that canine RV has successfully completed a course of training and that canine RV does not pose a threat of harm to other dogs or humans.

Upon completion of all stipulations set forth above; no further incidents of aggression against another dog or human; no further violations of Natick by-law Article 50 section 16.5, M.G.L c.140 section 157; and a favorable recommendation from the Animal Control Officer, the Respondent may petition the Town to reconsider the designation of **DANGEROUS DOG** for Canine RV and removal of the restrictions.

Per the Order of the Hearing Officer:



John M. Townsend
Deputy Town Administrator

10-12-23
Date:

ITEM TITLE: FY25 Water and Sewer Rate Discussion

ITEM SUMMARY:

ITEM TITLE: Select Board Representation on Boards and Committees
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Committee Assignments	5/1/2024	Cover Memo

Select Board Appointments

Committee Name	# Members	SB Representative
Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board		11 K Coughlin
Audit Advisory Committee	2 appointed seats, 1 designee for SB, Fincom, School Cmtee	Rich Sidney
Bacon Free Library Maintenance Comm		
Chief of Police	Individual	Board
Commission on Disability		7 None
Community Preservation Committee	Very specific board reps, plus 4 appointed by Select Board	None
Comptroller	Individual	None
Conservation Commission		7 None
Contributory Retirement Board		None
Council on Aging		11 None
CRT Advisory Committee		9 Josh Ostroff
Cultural Council		9 None
Design Review Board		5 None
Director of Veteran's Services	Individual	Kathryn Coughlin
Economic Dev. Committee		10 Paul Joseph
Elderly & Disabled Tax Fund Committee		5 None
Emergency Management Director	Individual	Chief James Hicks
Emergency Operations Planning Comm		
Facilities Mgmt Oversight Committee	2x Select Board, 2x Select Board, Superintendent, TA	
Financial Planning Committee	2x Select Board, 2x Select Board, Superintendent, TA	
Fire Chief	Individual	
Historic District Commission		10
Historical Commission		10
Info Systems Advisory Board (merged w Cable Advisory Board)		
Joint Regional Transportation Committee		
Keefe Tech Vocational School		

Labor Relations Consultant	Individual	
Lock-Up Keeper	Individual	
Mathworks Scholarship Committee		5
MBTA Advisory Board		Ask Jamie
Metropolitan Area Planning Council		Morgan and Amanda
MetroWest Growth Management Comr	1 member of the Select Board	
Middlesex County Advisory Board		
MWRA Advisory Board		
Open Space Advisory Committee		7
Natick 180		
Parking Clerk	Individual	
Recreation & Parks Commission	5 elected, 4 appointed	
Recycling Study and Advisory Committee		
Registrar of Voters		
Rink Oversight Committee	TA appoints, 1 Select Board rep	
Safety Committee	Many appointees from town govt & 2 Select Board appointed	
South Middlesex Opportunity Council		
Net-Zero Committee	5, including 1 from NPS	
Town Administrator	Individual	
Town Counsel	Singular	
Town Counsel Screening Committee		5
Town Counsel Study Committee	Various	
Trails and Forest Stewardship Committe		9
Transportation Advisory Committee		7
Veterans Burial Officer	Individual	
Zoning Board of Appeals	5 regular, 2 associate	

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Select Board Appointed Committees (sorted by A

Committee Name	# Members	SB Representative
Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board	11	K Coughlin
Audit Advisory Committee	2 appointed seats, 1 designee for SB, Finacom, School Cmtee	R Sidney
CRT Advisory Committee	9	Josh Ostroff
Commission on Disability	7	
Community Preservation Committee	Very specific board reps, plus 4 appointed by Select Board	None
Conservation Commission	7	None
Council on Aging	11	None
Cultural Council	9	None
Economic Dev. Committee	10	P Joseph
Elderly & Disabled Tax Fund Committee	5	
Historical Commission	10	
Historic District Commission	10	
Info Systems Advisory Board (merged w Cable Advisory Board)		
Kennedy School Building Committee	various	J Freedman represents SB. Will close out this fall when MSBA reimbursement is rec'd
Mathworks Scholarship Committee	5	
Open Space Advisory Committee	7	
Recreation & Parks Commission	5 elected, 4 appointed	
Rink Oversight Committee	TA appoints, 1 Select Board rep	
Safety Committee	Many appointees from town govt & 2 Select Board appointed	
Sustainability Committee	5, including 1 from NPS	
Trails and Forest Stewardship Committee	9	

Transportation Advisory Committee	7	
Zoning Board of Appeals	5 regular, 2 associate	
5 Auburn St. RFP		
	7	
Diversity, Equity, Inclusion		
Town Governance Study Committee	9	N/A
West Natick Fire Station Building Committee	10	M Hickey
Adult Use Marijuana Establishment Review/Evaluation	5	
Cable Advisory Board	7	
Charles River Dam Advisory Committee	Many appointees from town govt & volunteers	
Community Development Advisory Committee	1 Planning Board, 1 Select Board + 5 other residents	
Community Services Advisory Committee	7	
Design Review Board	5	
Lookout Farm Advisory Committee	15	
Opioid Task Force		Replaced by Natick180?
Town Counsel Screening Committee	5	
Town Counsel Study Committee	Various	
Equity Task Force	11	
Facilities Mgmt Oversight Committee	2x Select Board, 2x Select Board, Superintendent, TA	
Financial Planning Committee	2x Select Board, 2x Select Board, Superintendent, TA	

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Request	3/14/2024	Cover Memo
Email from Deputy Chief Brian G. Lauzon	4/30/2024	Cover Memo



March 1, 2024

Natick Town Offices
Select Board
13 East Central St
Natick, MA 01760

Dear Select Board:

Many thanks for your continuous support of the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk. Your support of this charitable event certainly is one of the major reasons for our success and we deeply appreciate your generosity.

After an amazing Walk in 2023, we are excited to send this letter requesting permission to host the 2024 Jimmy Fund Walk on **Sunday, October 6, 2024**. Walkers will once again follow the historic Boston Marathon course from Hopkinton into Boston en route to raising much needed funds for the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

If you require any additional information, please feel free to call me directly (774-254-5489) or email me at Jake@dmsesports.com. In advance, thank you for your continuous support of what the Jimmy Fund considers one of its most successful and revered events.

Please send any correspondence on the walk to:

DMSE Sports, Inc.
22 6th Rd.
Woburn, MA 01801-6208

Kind regards,
Jacob Lees

Director of Operations
DMSE/Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk

Jimmy fund walk

Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>
To: Billy Walsh <bwalsh@natickma.org>

Tue, Apr 30, 2024 at 12:22 PM

DONNA DONOVAN

Assistant to Town Administration



ddonovan@natickma.org
(508) 647-6400 x1403

13 East Central St. ♦ Natick, MA ♦ 01760
Stay connected, Natick! www.natickma.gov

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Brian Lauzon** <lauzon@natickpolice.com>
Date: Tue, Apr 30, 2024 at 11:35 AM
Subject: Re: Jimmy fund walk
To: Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Donna,

After review we would recommend that the Select Board approve this application. This is a yearly event and we traditionally have required the organizers to hire four (4) Natick Police Detail Officers to be strategically located along the route at the major intersections in order to manage traffic.

Respectfully,

Deputy Chief Brian G. Lauzon
[Quoted text hidden]

ITEM TITLE: Approve Cooper Fennell as a permanent Fulltime Police Officer

ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Memo from Chief Hicks	4/18/2024	Cover Memo

TOWN OF NATICK
NATICK, MASSACHUSETTS 01760



POLICE DEPARTMENT

James G. Hicks, Chief of Police

20 East Central Street
Natick, MA 01760
Phone: 508-647-9511
Fax: 508-647-9509

Memorandum

Date: April 18, 2024
To: Kathryn M. Coughlin Chair Select Board
From: Chief James G. Hicks
RE: Certification Number 09852

I respectfully request the Board of Selectmen as appointing authority for police officers in the Town of Natick appoint the following candidate as Permanent Fulltime Police Officers. This appointment should be contingent upon successful completion of the Police Academy and any other requirements necessary for successful certification with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Human Resource Division.

This appointment would be effective:

Monday, May 13, 2024 to allow for attendance at the Lowell Police Academy
Cooper Fennell

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James G. Hicks", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

James G. Hicks
Chief of Police

ITEM TITLE: Approve the Cochituate Rail Trail Use Policy

ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Draft policy	4/16/2024	Cover Memo
Updated Draft with Boards Input	4/29/2024	Cover Memo



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Cochituate Rail Trail – Draft Event/Installation Policy and Request Form

Approved [date]

The Cochituate Rail Trail (CRT) is a potential venue for many public events and public art installations. As a linear park connecting neighborhoods, destinations and workplaces in Natick and Framingham, the CRT provides a number of locations for the public to participate in events.

To ensure the Natick portion of the CRT is managed in a way that allows for events without disrupting the regular use of the trail, the Town of Natick has developed this policy for events and installations that are proposed for the CRT. The review criteria for requests are listed on the following page.

Depending on the scale of the event or installation and the need for Town staff involvement, including but not limited to Public Works, Conservation, Rec & Parks, **may result in event fees which must be paid to the Town prior to the event occurring.** The need for fees will be determined on an individual case by case basis. Please note no Town support is available for set-up and breakdown of private events or installations.

Organizers will be required to sign an indemnification form and produce insurance as required.

Requests for events and installations will be denied if it is determined that normal use and enjoyment of the trail will be disrupted. Events or installations that do not disrupt normal use may include “virtual” walk-a-thons where the CRT is offered as location to get in steps or miles, or small events or installations that do not plan on having any set-up involved.

Requests for events or installations on a single day must be received at least 60 days before the event. Requests for multi-day events or installations must be received at least 90 days before the event, when possible.

Event and installations requests for the CRT must use the following form and submit to crt@natickma.org. Be sure to include any relevant maps, flyers, or other information with the form to ensure there is complete understanding of the proposed event. Once a request is received, it will be reviewed by Town Staff. Additional questions or information may be requested after receiving the form in order to determine if the event will result in disruption of the normal use and enjoyment.



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Requests will be reviewed for the following criteria.

Criteria	Guidance
Will the event/installation interfere with normal use and enjoyment of the trail?	Events must be organized so as not to preclude the regular public use of the CRT.
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What risks are associated with the event/installation?	Include proper safety precautions to protect the public and property.
Will the area be in the same condition prior to the event/installation beginning?	Any damage, excessive wear and destruction will be the responsibility of the organizers.
Will any temporary structures be erected on Town property?	Only temporary structures that do not puncture the ground in any way (including for support poles or wires) are allowed, and may only be erected 1 hour before the event. All temporary structures must be broken down and removed within 2 hours following the event end time. All structures must be positioned in a manner that allows for the safe and unimpeded flow of users on the CRT.
Will any signage be installed on Town property? If yes, how many signs and where?	Only temporary signage is allowed, and must not be installed more than 24 hours before the event start time, and removed within 2 hours of the conclusion of the event.
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What is the expected number of event participants?	Please note that for events of significant size and/or complexity, police details may be required. You can request police details by calling 508-647-9515 or emailing details@natickpolice.com .



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Request Form for Events/Installations on the Cochituate Rail Trail	
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Event Date: _____

Event Times

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END TIME:

Additional Time (time needed for...)

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Break Down:

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Event Description:

Organization Running Event: _____

Contact Information for Organizer: _____

Event Partners: _____

Estimated Attendance: _____

Parking Needs and Plan: _____

Is any setup required (e.g., tables, signage, vendors, etc.): _____

Questions for the Review Team:

Submit request form to crt@natickma.org. Confirmation of receipt will be sent within 48 hours from the review team.



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Organization Running Event: _____

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Event Partners: _____

Estimated Attendance: _____

Parking Needs and Plan: _____

Is any setup required (e.g., tables, signage, vendors, etc.): _____

Please attached additional information, maps, flyers, and/or content as appropriate.

Questions for the Review Team:

Submit request form to crt@natickma.org. Confirmation of receipt will be sent within 48 hours from the review team.

ITEM TITLE: Approve Request to Occupy a Public Way for Farwell Street-Area Block Party
ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Memo from Nellie Goodman	4/22/2024	Cover Memo
Memo from Deputy Police Chief Brian Lauzon	4/22/2024	Cover Memo



Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Block Party Road Closure Request

1 message

nelliemkgoodman@gmail.com <nelliemkgoodman@gmail.com>
To: ddonovan@natickma.org

Tue, Apr 16, 2024 at 2:21 PM

Hi Donna,

I live at 25 Farwell Street in Natick. My neighbors in the surrounding neighborhoods and I would like to hold a 3rd Annual Farwell Street-Area Block Party on the Wolfe Terrace cul-de-sac (that you enter off of of Farwell Street) on Sunday, June 2nd from 2pm-5pm. We are requesting a road closure of Wolfe Terrace at Farwell Street from approximately 12:30pm-6:30pm to accommodate time for set up and clean up on either end of the party. There is no rain date for the party. We anticipate there being approximately 100-150 people attending the gathering. The residents on Wolfe Terrace will all be made aware of the party in writing and we're all looking forward to the community event.

Please confirm that you got this request and let me know what other info you need from us in order to process the request. We are so excited to hopefully have our 3rd Annual Farwell Street-Area Block Party on Sunday, June 2nd!

Thanks very much,

Nellie Goodman
774-270-4251



Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Re: Block Party Road Closure Request

1 message

Brian Lauzon <lauzon@natickpolice.com>
To: Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Wed, Apr 17, 2024 at 9:59 AM

Donna,

After review we would recommend approval with the following stipulations:

- Public Safety Dispatch (508-647-9500) to be notified when the roadway is going to be closed, and again when it is re-opened. All roadways shall be opened no later than **8pm.**
- Nothing be erected or placed in the roadway that cannot be easily removed in the event an emergency response is needed
- Residents in the affected area to be notified in writing prior to the event date
- Nothing be placed on, or around a fire hydrant that cannot be easily moved. Fire hydrants shall not be blocked.
- Wolfe Terrace to be closed at Farwell Street.

Additionally:

- Traffic cones and/or barricades may be checked out from Police Headquarters the morning of the event, and returned immediately following.

Reminder:

- All laws relative to alcoholic beverages including the possession/carrying of same remain in effect.

Respectfully,

Brian G. Lauzon
Deputy Police Chief

On Tue, Apr 16, 2024 at 2:28 PM Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org> wrote:

Donna Donovan
Assistant to Town Administration
Town of Natick
508-647-6400 ext 1403

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From: <nelliemkgoodman@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Apr 16, 2024 at 2:21 PM
Subject: Block Party Road Closure Request
To: <ddonovan@natickma.org>

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Thanks very much,

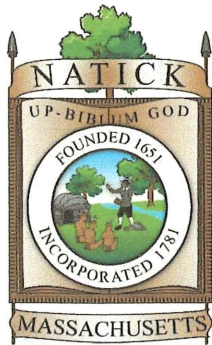
Nellie Goodman
774-270-4251

ITEM TITLE: Approve One Day Wine and Beer Licenses and Request to Occupy a Public Way on Court and Adams Street for Natick Center Associates, Natick Nights

ITEM SUMMARY: June 6th & 20th
July 4th & 18th
August 1st, 15th & 29th

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Application from Natick Center and Associates.	4/22/2024	Cover Memo
Memo from Deputy Police Chief Brian Lauzon	4/22/2024	Cover Memo

**Office Use Only:**

Date Pmt Rec'd: _____ Fee Paid: \$ _____ Check No: _____

Police Department approval issued ☐ Notes: _____Board of Health approval issued ☐ _____

Board of Selectmen Decision Date _____

Approved ☐ Denied ☐

TOWN OF NATICK

ONE-DAY LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION (SECTION 14 LICENSE)

(Type or print clearly; illegible applications will not be accepted)

A nonprofit* organization may apply for either a one-day all-alcohol license or one-day beer and/or wine license. A for profit** organization may apply for a one-day beer and/or wine license ONLY. Special license-holders CANNOT purchase alcoholic beverages from a package store; alcoholic beverages must be purchased from a State licensed supplier: <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/apply-for-a-special-license-or-permit-abcc>.

Date Submitted: 4/16/2024Fee: \$100.00

The undersigned hereby applies for a One-Day Liquor License in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes relating thereto:

Applicant Information:Name Athena PandolfOrganization Natick Center AssociatesAddress 8 Court St. NatickPhone number 508 650 8848Email address athena@natickcenter.org**Type of Organization:**

Nonprofit*



For profit**

Type of alcohol to be served:

All alcohol (nonprofit organizations only)



Beer and/or Wine (any organization)

If wine is being donated a charity wine fundraising license will be issued in conjunction with a one day license.

Wine Donors Dion's-Natick, Atlantic Distribution, Carolina**Event Details:**Tacks Abby + Lookout Farms +Type of event Natick NightsRuby Wine.Location where event will be held Adams St.Date of event June 14, 20, July Hours of event 5:00-8:00pmEstimated attendance 300-400 4+18, August-1, 15 & 29

Alcohol Service Details:

Catering/Serving Company Dion's Fine Wine

Address 4 South Ave.

Contact Person Jocelyn Sage Michener

Phone number 508-650-4321 Email address jocelyn@drinkdions.com

Please add any additional information you think may be pertinent: _____

See attached letter to Select Board for full
details.

Please print and submit completed application to the Board of Selectmen's Office (508-647-6410), Natick Town Hall, 13 East Central Street, Natick, MA 01760, or email to poneil@natickma.org or ddonovan@natickma.org. See additional important licensing information on the Town website at natickma.gov: click on Government, then on Board of Selectmen, then on Grants, Licenses & Permits. Contact the Board of Health (508-647-6460), located on the second floor of Town Hall, regarding any other permits you may need or requirements you should be aware of pertaining to your application for a one-day alcohol license.

PLEASE NOTE: If your application is approved, the Town of Natick will require:

1. Proof of current alcohol server training through either the TIPS or the AIM in-person training programs. Online server training certification, such as eTIPS, will NOT be accepted by the Town of Natick.
2. A certificate of liability insurance naming the Town of Natick as an additional insured.



Natick Center Cultural District
8 Court Street
Natick, MA 01760
508.650.8848
www.natickcenter.org

April 16, 2024

Natick Select Board
Natick Town Hall
13 East Central Street
Natick, MA 01760

RE: One Day Alcohol License's, Closure of Adams St., & Court St., and Food Truck Approval during the Natick Nights season.

Dear Natick Select Board,

The Natick Center Cultural District is seeking Select Board's approval for 1 Day Alcohol License Approvals during the following Natick Nights. The details are as follows:

Name of Applicant:	Natick Center Associates, 501 (c)(3)
Event:	Natick Nights
Date:	June - 6 & 20 July - 4 & 18 August - 1, 15, and 29
Time:	5:00 – 8:00 pm
Location:	Adams Street
Expected Number of People:	200-300 attendees approx.

Purchase of Alcohol: Beer and wine will be purchased through ticket sales at the beginning of the area.

We have secured servers that are Licensed TIPS Trained personnel which will include Dion's Wine, and distributors. NCA will notify the office with all licenses and send all TIPS certificates required.

We also are submitting a request to occupy a public way for Court and Adams Street on the same nights
June - 6 & 20
July - 4 & 18
August - 1, 15, and 29

During these times we will host 2 food trucks on Court Street; Donut NV and Kith and Kiln. They have both been approved or are seeking approval by the BOH for a yearly license to operate a food truck in Natick Center. We seek permission from the Board for them to sell food on Court Street during the Natick Nights event season.

We have consulted with the Natick Police Department and the Fire Dept. On the event and the closure.

The NCCD is looking forward to hosting these events and we would be grateful for the Select Boards continued support of our initiatives.

Sincerely,

Athena Pandolf
Executive Director
Natick Center Cultural District
athena@natickcenter.org



Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Re: Natick Nights

1 message

Brian Lauzon <lauzon@natickpolice.com>
To: Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Wed, Apr 17, 2024 at 2:33 PM

Donna,

After reviewing the attached request, I would recommend that the Select Board approve it as submitted for the following dates:

June 6th;
June 20th;
July 4th;
July 18th;
August 1st;
August 15th; and
August 29th.

As this event is requested to be held on Adams Street, a public way in Natick, we would ask that one police detail be required to monitor the distribution and consumption of alcoholic beverages. We would also ask that both ends of Adams Street be blocked off with barricades so that motor vehicles cannot access the roadway. That said, we would suggest that the applicant make arrangements with the three residents that access their parking garages from Adams Street so they have alternate arrangements for their vehicles.

Respectfully,

D/C Lauzon

On Tue, Apr 16, 2024 at 1:21 PM Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org> wrote:
For your review

Donna Donovan
Assistant to Town Administration
Town of Natick
508-647-6400 ext 1403

ITEM TITLE: Approve Meeting Minutes for 03/27/2024 and 04/17/2024

ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Meeting Minutes from 3/27/2024	4/25/2024	Cover Memo
Meeting Minutes from 4/17/2024	4/30/2024	Cover Memo

SELECT BOARD– TOWN OF NATICK

MEETING MINUTES

EDWARD DLOTT MEETING ROOM – TOWN HALL AND VIA ZOOM

March 27, 2024

6:00 PM

Present: Chair Bruce Evans, Vice-Chair Kathryn Coughlin, Kristen Pope, Paul Joseph, Richard Sidney

Also Present: Town Administrator, Jamie Errickson; Deputy Town Administrator/Operations, Jon Marshall; and Town Clerk, Lynn Kelley

Mr. Evans called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed.

PUBLIC SPEAK

There were no comments during Public Speak.

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

1. Swearing in of Newly Elected Officials

Ms. Kelley swore in the newly elected officials.

2. Select Board Reorganization

The Board thanked Mr. Joseph for his guidance and support during his time on the Select Board.

Mr. Joseph thanked the Board for their time together. He encouraged members of the community to work together and be sure to foster an attitude of civility. Lastly, he thanked the Town for the opportunity they had given him to serve on the Select Board and stepped down from his seat.

The Select Board then welcomed Linda Wollschlager, highlighting her skills and experience demonstrated during her time with the Finance Committee. They then proceeded with the following nominations:

- Ms. Pope, seconded by Ms. Wollschlager, nominated Ms. Coughlin to be the new Select Board Chair. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the nomination. 5-0-0.
- Ms. Coughlin, seconded by Ms. Pope, nominated Mr. Evans to the position of Vice Chair. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the nomination. 5-0-0.
- Ms. Coughlin, seconded by Ms. Wollschlager, nominated Mr. Sidney to be the Select Board Clerk. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the nomination. 5-0-0.

The Board thanked Mr. Evans for his time as Chair and completed their reorganization with their newly assigned positions.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Sidney, seconded by Mr. Evans, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 6:27pm. 5-0-0 MOTION PASSED.

SELECT BOARD– TOWN OF NATICK

MEETING MINUTES

EDWARD DLOTT MEETING ROOM – TOWN HALL AND VIA ZOOM

Wednesday, April 17th, 2024

6:30 PM

Present: Chair Kathryn Coughlin, Vice-Chair Bruce Evans, Clerk Richard Sidney, Kristen Pope, Linda Wollschlager.

Also Present: Deputy Town Administrator/Operations, Jon Marshall

Ms. Coughlin called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

The pledge of allegiance was recited, and a moment of silence was observed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Select Board performed a roll call vote to enter an Executive Session at 6:36 pm. The motion was made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Ms. Wollschlager -5:0:0 (Roll Call: Ms. Coughlin - Aye; Ms. Wollschlager - Aye; Ms. Pope - Aye; Mr. Sidney - Aye; Mr. Evans - Aye.)

The Select Board returned from the Executive Session at 6:50pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Marshall announced the ratification of the following Collective Bargaining Units Contracts.

1. Supervisors' and Administrators' Associations (DPW Supervisors).
2. Public Employees Local Union 1116 (DPW Laborers).
3. Public Employee Committee – PEC Agreement

Ms. Coughlin announced that the DPW Water and Sewer Division has begun its semi-annual water quality hydrant flushing.

Ms. Coughlin announced that the Natick Board of Health will holds its 38th annual household hazardous Waste collection Day on Saturday, April 27th.

Ms. Coughlin announced that Earth Day will be celebrated on April 27th and 28th with events planned throughout Town.

The Board wished a happy Passover to all those who will be celebrating.

The Board recognized the work of the telecommunications personnel in Public Safety who were honored during National Public Safety telecommunications week.

The Board recognized the work of Administrative Professionals in recognition of National Administrative Professionals Day which is on April 27th.

The Board congratulated all the Boston Marathon runners and the money they raised for Natick charities.

Mr. Sidney announced The Natick Police and Fire Departments are holding a joint training event at Kennedy Middle school on April 18th.

PUBLIC SPEAK

No Public Comments

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

1. Public Hearing: Street Name Change - Upland Road to Upland Terrace on the South Side of Route 9

Mr. Sidney read the public hearing notice into the record. On a motion by Mr. Sidney, seconded by Mr. Evans, the Board voted unanimously to open the public hearing. -5:0:0

It was stated that the name change came from the recommendation of the Safety Committee to address the duplication of the street name of Upland Road.

On a motion by Mr. Sidney, seconded by Mr. Evans, the Board voted unanimously to rename the Route 9 south side of Upland Road to Upland Terrace. -5:0:0

On a motion by Mr., Sidney, seconded by Ms. Pope, the Board voted unanimously to close the public hearing. -5:0:0

2. Cochituate Rail Trail Use Policy

Mr. Marshall gave an overview of the new policy emphasizing that the CRT is a great mode of transportation but there is also a desire have events on the trail. Staff developed a policy that allowed for certain uses of the trail while not impacting the general use of the trail.

The Board requested that applicants be able to submit requests in paper and email format. The Board also suggested that the PDF be in fillable format and the form be modified to be able to submit one form for multi-day installations.

Mr. Marshall will provide an updated policy at the 5/1/24 meeting based on the Board's input.

3. Special Town Election

The Board received a memo from Town Clerk, Diane Packer regarding the special election for the Associate Planning Board member position.

The Board discussed the option of holding the special election in June or during the regularly scheduled primary election in September.

The Board requested additional information regarding the associated costs. Further discussion will take place on 5/1/24 with Ms. Packer in attendance.

1. 2024 Special Town Meeting #1 Warrant Articles

Article 1 – Charter and Bylaw Review Committee Report and Extension

- Motion A - No Action – The Board expressed Motion 1 is outside their purview and elected not to take a position.
- Motion B - No Action – Board expressed they should not be weighing in on the legislative process.

Article 2 – Charter Change Motion 3 (Removal and Suspension)

- Motion 3 - On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Mr. Evans, the Board voted to recommend favorable action on Article 2. - 3:2:0. (Roll Call: Ms. Coughlin - Aye; Ms. Wollschlager - No; Ms. Pope - No; Mr. Sidney - Aye; Mr. Evans - Aye.)
- Motion 4 –On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Ms. Wollschlager, the Board voted to recommend favorable action on Motion 4 - 5:0:0.
- Motion 5 –On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Ms. Pope, the Board voted to recommend favorable action on Motion 5 - 5:0:0.
- Motion 6 – On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Ms. Wollschlager, the Board voted to recommend favorable action on Motion 6 - 5:0:0.
- Motion 7 – On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Ms. Wollschlager, the Board voted to recommend favorable action on Motion 7- 5:0:0.
- Motion 8 – No Action
- Motion 9 – On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Ms. Wollschlager, the Board voted to recommend favorable action on Motion 9- 5:0:0.
- Motion 10 – On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Ms. Wollschlager, the Board voted to recommend favorable action on Motion 10- 5:0:0.
- Motion 11 - On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Mr. Evans, the Board voted to recommend favorable action on Motion 11- 5:0:0.
- Motion 12 - On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Ms. Wollschlager the Board voted to recommend favorable action on Motion 12- 5:0:0.

2. 246 North Main Street Update

Mr. Marshall stated that the Board had considered transferring 246 North Main Street to the Natick Affordable Housing Trust. The Board has not taken action on it yet because MassDOT has been using the property as part of an ongoing construction project. Mr. Marshall also stated that a water and sewer connection to that property is being installed. Mr. Marshall recommended initiating the transfer process, including consulting with Town Counsel. Mr. Marshall hopes to have an update for the Board by the end of May and should have a better indication from MassDOT on how much more time they need. The Board asked to Mr. Marshall to confirm if MassDOT would need to property for the project around the 9/27 interchange.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Natick Little League: Request a Parade Permit for Opening Day Ceremonies on April 27th.
- B. St. Mark Church Community: Request to Occupy a Public Way for a Road Race on September 14th with a Rain Date of September 21st.
- C. Approve House Bear Brewing, LLC's Application by a farmer Winery for License to sell at a Farmers Market
- D. Approve 2024 License Renewals
 - a. Junk Dealers/Collectors
 - b. Billiards
 - c. Taxi/Livery/Limousine

Ms. Wollschlager asked that Item D be removed from the consent agenda as she had some questions pertaining to the licenses. Mr. Marshall addressed Ms. Wollschlager's questions.

On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Consent Agenda items A-C. - 5:0:0.

On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Mr. Evans, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Consent Agenda item D. - 5:0:0.

SELECT BOARD UPDATES

Chair of the Natick Affordable Housing Trust, Ganesh Ramachandran provided a committee update to the Board. Mr. Ramachandran stated that the 4 Auburn Street project will provide 32 units of affordable housing. The Committee developed a strategic plan which will potentially add 50 50 new affordable housing units over the next 5 years. Two new board members have brought new energy to the Committee and they are currently working on new policy initiatives such as AUD's.

The Board expressed how impressed they are with the work the Affordable Housing Trust is doing and how focused they are on increasing affordable housing inventory.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR NOTES

Mr. Marshall provided an update on the South Natick Dam project stating that the next step was to file the MEPA application.

Mr. Marshall stated that a Charles River Parks Improvements Project site walk will be held on April 28th for the public. Town representatives will be available to answer questions about the project.

Mr. Marshall provided an update on the vacant Town Clerk position, stating that Ms. Packer agreed to return as interim Town Clerk until the position is filled.

Mr. Marshall acknowledged the staff who participated in the Boston Marathon and all the work done behind the scenes to make it a success.

Board asked for an update on the buoy. Mr. Marshall stated the DPW has ordered it and they anticipate completing it this Spring.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Sidney and seconded by Ms. Wollschlager, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. - 5:0:0

Richard Sidney, Clerk

A list of all documents used at this Select Board meeting are available at:

<https://naticktown.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/>

Approved:

ITEM TITLE: Appoint Debra Shaw to The Board of Registrars with term ending March 31, 2025

ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Email from Diane Packer	4/25/2024	Cover Memo



Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Fwd: Fw: Registrar appointment

1 message

Jon Marshall <jmarshall@natickma.org>
To: Donna Donovan <ddonovan@natickma.org>

Fri, Apr 19, 2024 at 8:19 AM

Donna,

Can we get this on the May 1 agenda of the Board.

Thank you,

Jon Marshall
Deputy Town Administrator - Operations

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Diane Packer** <dpacker@natickma.org>
Date: Fri, Apr 19, 2024 at 8:07 AM
Subject: Fwd: Fw: Registrar appointment
To: James Errickson <jerrickson@natickma.org>, Jon Marshall <jmarshall@natickma.org>

This is what I received from Mike Linehan, the new Chair of the Republican Town Committee. Would you please put this appt on the boards next meeting?

Diane

Diane Packer
Town Clerk
dpacker@natickma.org
(508) 647-6432

The Town Clerk's office is open Monday-Wednesday 8 AM-5 PM; Thursday 8 AM-7 PM; Friday 8 AM-12:30 PM.

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From: **Mike Linehan** <linehanm01760@yahoo.com>
Date: Thu, Apr 18, 2024 at 10:11 PM
Subject: Fw: Registrar appointment
To: Diane Packer <dpacker@natickma.org>

Sorry about the wrong email address.

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From: Michael F Linehan <linehanm01760@yahoo.com>

To: clerk@natickma.org <clerk@natickma.org>

Sent: Friday, April 12, 2024 at 01:59:04 PM EDT

Subject: Registrar appointment

To: Members of Natick Select Board

The Natick Republican Town Committee would like to submit the name of Debra Shaw for appointment to the Board of Registrars to fill the remaining term, ending March 31, 2025, of Anthony Lista who recently resigned. We respectfully submit this sole candidate fully recognizing that it is preferable to submit three names for consideration. Furthermore, Debra has agreed to serve in this capacity for the aforementioned period of time.

This recommendation was unanimously approved at a scheduled meeting of the Committee on April 8, 2024.

Sincerely,

Michael Linehan

Chair – Natick RTC

ITEM TITLE: Approve Letter of Support for The Town of Weston's 2024STM - Article 17

ITEM SUMMARY:

ATTACHMENTS:

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Support for Article 17 at Weston’s Spring Town Meeting	4/30/2024	Resolution Letter



TOWN OF NATICK SELECT BOARD

Kathryn M. Coughlin, Chair

Bruce T. Evans, Vice Chair

Richard Sidney, Clerk

Kristen L. Pope

Linda Wollschlager

EMAIL: selectboard@natickma.org

Dear Weston Town Meeting Members,

The Town of Natick is pleased to submit this letter in support of Article 17 on Weston's Spring 2024 Town Meeting Warrant. Approval of this article would allocate an additional \$600,000 toward Weston's Route 30 Roadway Reconstruction Project, thus allowing it to meet MassDOT's Healthy Transportation Design Standards by including a shared-use path in the design.

While undoubtedly beneficial to bicyclists and pedestrians in Weston, this shared-use path would also have tremendous regional significance, as it would provide a multimodal travel option to residents in the communities of Natick, Newton, Wayland, and beyond.

Indeed, this project has spurred Natick's interest in exploring a westward expansion of the path from its planned terminus at the Weston-Natick border to join with the Natick / Framingham Cochituate Rail Trail. If built, this expansion would provide residents across our communities with safe and convenient access to the Golden Triangle and Route 9 area, which offers a variety of retail and commercial goods and services, employment opportunities, a mix of housing options, recreational opportunities, and community services. The Town of Natick has held initial conversations with stakeholders from the Towns of Weston and Wayland and our shared regional planning agency, the Metropolitan Area Planning Council, regarding the potential expansion.

Forward-thinking infrastructure investment and regional collaboration are critical to improving our shared transportation network and meeting our shared climate goals. The Natick Select Board is thus fully supportive of Article 17, as we believe creating a shared-use path along Route 30 in Weston will deliver important benefits for residents both in Weston and across the MetroWest region. The Town of Natick looks forward to working with you to advance the impact of the shared-use path, and we appreciate your action on this important first step.

Sincerely,

Kathryn M. Coughlin, Chair

ITEM TITLE: Correspondence

ITEM SUMMARY:

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Letter from Friends of Natick Senior Center, Inc.	4/30/2024	Cover Memo
Letter From Arbor Day Foundation	4/30/2024	Cover Memo



*In the heart
of things*

Friends Of Natick Senior Center, Inc.

April 25, 2024

**Natick Select Board
13 East Central Street
Natick, MA 01760**

Dear Select Board,

The Friends of Natick Community-Senior Center were made aware of a letter that was read aloud at your March 20, 2024 meeting. The letter was in regards to a St. Patrick's Luncheon that was held at the Sons of Italy Hall on March 15, 2024, which was sponsored and subsidized by the Friends. The letter did not clearly state that this luncheon was a private event for Senior Citizens, both members of the Friends, as well as other Seniors. There was a registration process, along with a small fee, that took place for those who wanted to attend. This was not advertised nor intended to be a public or political event.

During the luncheon, however, two persons entered the hall separately and were kindly reminded by our Board Members that this was a private event. Anyone from the public that came into the hall who had not registered to be there would have been approached the same way. At our St. Pat's Luncheon last year, persons that were not registered to be there entered our event. As a result, we received complaints from Seniors who were not pleased that people who were not registered, nor Seniors, entered the event for whatever agenda they had.

Yes, Natick is a welcoming Town. Our Board, all volunteers as well, who put in many, many hours to enhance the lives of our Senior Citizens, simply wanted to clarify that we were acting on behalf of our Seniors, and attempting to enjoy the luncheon as was the intention.

Respectfully,

for  **Ginny Santolucito, President**
 **Jerry L. Pierce, Treasurer**
**Friends of Natick Community-Senior Center
Board of Directors**



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Contact:

Jasmine Putney

Arbor Day Foundation

402-216-9307

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Arbor Day Foundation Names Natick a 2023 Tree City USA®

LINCOLN, Nebraska (4/16/2024) – Natick was named a 2023 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to effective urban forest management.

Natick achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: maintaining a tree board or department, having a tree care ordinance, dedicating an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita, and hosting an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

“Tree City USA communities see the positive effects of an urban forest firsthand,” said Dan Lambe, chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. “The trees being planted and cared for by Natick are ensuring that generations to come will enjoy to a better quality of life. Additionally, participation in this program brings residents together and creates a sense of civic pride, whether it’s through volunteer engagement or public education.”

If ever there was a time for trees, now is that time. Communities worldwide are facing issues with air quality, water resources, personal health and well-being, energy use, and extreme heat and flooding. Natick is doing its part to address these challenges for residents both now and in the future.

More information on the program is available at arborday.org/TreeCityUSA.

About the Arbor Day Foundation

Founded in 1972, the Arbor Day Foundation has grown to become the largest nonprofit membership organization dedicated to planting trees, with more than one million members, supporters and valued partners. Since 1972, almost 500 million Arbor Day Foundation trees have been planted in neighborhoods, communities, cities and forests throughout the world. Our vision is to lead toward a world where trees are used to solve issues critical to survival.

As one of the world's largest operating conservation foundations, the Arbor Day Foundation, through its members, partners and programs, educates and engages stakeholders and communities across the globe to involve themselves in its mission of planting, nurturing and celebrating trees. More information is available at arborday.org.



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Mayor James Errickson
13 East Central Street
Natick, MA 01760

Dear Tree City USA Community Member,

On behalf of the Arbor Day Foundation, I'm thrilled to congratulate Natick on earning recognition as a 2023 Tree City USA. Residents of Natick should be proud to live in a community that makes the planting and care of trees a priority.

Founded in 1976, Tree City USA is a partnership between the Arbor Day Foundation, the U.S. Forest Service, and the National Association of State Foresters. Natick is part of an incredible network of more than 3,600 Tree City USA communities nationwide, with a combined population of 155 million.

Over the last few years, the value and importance of trees has become increasingly clear. Cities and towns across the globe are facing issues with air quality, water resources, personal health and well-being, and energy use. Natick has taken steps to create to a brighter, greener future.

We hope you are as excited as we are to share this accomplishment with your local media and your residents. Enclosed in this packet is a press release for you to distribute at your convenience.

We're excited to celebrate your commitment to the people and trees of Natick. Thank you, again, for your efforts.

Best Regards,

Dan Lambe
Arbor Day Foundation Chief Executive

