

BOARD OF SELECTMEN – TOWN OF NATICK

MEETING MINUTES

EDWARD H. DLOTT MEETING ROOM – NATICK TOWN HALL

September 6, 2018

6:00 PM

PRESENT: Chair Amy K. Mistrot, Vice Chair Susan G. Salamoff, Clerk Michael J. Hickey, Jr., Jonathan Freedman, and Richard P. Jennett, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator Melissa A. Malone and Executive Assistant Trish O'Neil

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m., noting that a quorum was present (Ms. Salamoff had temporarily left the room) and that the meeting had been duly posted, and requested a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to strategy with respect to litigation or collective bargaining (Opioid Litigation; NPOA v. JLMC and Town of Natick, 1884 CV 02333; and Natick Patrol Officers' Association) and to consider the purchase, exchange, lease, license, or value of real property (Mechanic Street, 5 Auburn Street, Sawin House, and 22 Pleasant Street). Mr. Freedman, seconded by Mr. Jennett, moved to enter into Executive Session, noting discussion of Executive Session matters in Open Session would have a detrimental effect on the Board of Selectmen's negotiating position and the Town's interests and, by a roll call vote, the Board voted 4-0-0 in favor of the motion. The Chair announced that Open Session would resume at the conclusion of Executive Session. The Board entered into Executive Session at approximately 6:15 p.m. Ms. Salamoff returned to Executive Session at 6:20 p.m.

Open Session reconvened at 8:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed for those protecting our country.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Hickey read announcements aloud regarding the following topics:

1. Grand opening of the Ellenbogen Assistive Technology Center at the Community-Senior Center on September 28th
2. Bulky Waste Collection Day for residents over 60 on October 20th, and
3. The Electricity Aggregation Program: Residents who had previously opted out of Natick's aggregation program mistakenly received a letter from Public Power, Natick's new electricity supplier, informing them that they would be automatically enrolled in Natick's Aggregation Program. The letter was sent in error due to Public Power receiving an incorrect list of account holders from Eversource – only new electricity account holders were supposed to receive the letter – and a letter of correction will be sent assuring the recipients that they will not be enrolled in the aggregation program.

CITIZENS' CONCERNS

None.

REQUESTED ACTION

1. Police Chief:
 - a. Moved by Mr. Jennett and seconded by Ms. Salamoff, the Board voted 5-0-0 in favor of appointing Brendan Marlow and Katelyn Pfeifer as Permanent, Full-Time Police Officers effective Monday, September 10, 2018 contingent upon successful completion of the Police Academy.

- b. Moved by Mr. Jennett and seconded by Mr. Freedman, the Board voted 5-0-0 in favor of approving the lateral transfer of Officer Christopher DiModica to the Town of Foxborough as recommended by Chief Hicks.
- 2. Subway Restaurant – Application for Common Victualer’s License: Moved by Ms. Salamoff and seconded by Mr. Freedman, the Board voted 5-0-0 to grant Sun International Trading, LLC, d/b/a Subway Restaurant, a common victualer’s license contingent upon completion of all Board of Health requirements.
- 3. Dates and Olives – Application for Common Victualer’s License: Moved by Ms. Salamoff and seconded by Mr. Freedman, the Board voted 5-0-0 to grant Renita Mendonca, d/b/a Dates and Olives, a common victualer’s license contingent upon completion of all Building Department and Board of Health requirements.
- 4. Shahreen Quazi – Interview for Appointment to the Cultural Council with Term Ending 6/30/2021: After the candidate provided background information, the Board voted 5-0-0 in favor of her appointment to the Cultural Council on a motion by Ms. Salamoff that was seconded by Mr. Freedman.
- 5. Wanderlust Content, Inc. – Request to Film Commercial on Chester, Sheridan, & Avon Streets and Lincoln Street Extension: Jared Lerner, Location Scout for Wanderlust Content, informed the Board that his company had already received written permission from area residents to film a 30-second commercial with their neighborhoods and possibly their homes being part of the final product. The Public Safety Officer has provided a positive recommendation. Moved by Ms. Salamoff and seconded by Mr. Freedman, the Board voted 5-0-0 to authorize the filming on September 10th or 11th, depending on weather.
- 6. Pay As You Throw Program Assistance – Amend and Renew Town of Natick/Natick Service Council MOU: Moved by Mr. Hickey and seconded by Mr. Freedman, the Board voted 5-0-0 to postpone this topic to the September 17th Selectmen’s Meeting.
- 7. Affirm MathWorks Lakeside Campus Address Change: Moved by Mr. Freedman and seconded by Ms. Salamoff, the Board voted 5-0-0 in favor of affirming the address of the MathWorks property located on Superior Drive as 1, 2, and 3 Lakeside Campus Drive. The Postmaster and all appropriate town departments will be notified.

APPOINTMENTS:

- a. Moved by Mr. Hickey and seconded by Mr. Jennett, the Board voted 5-0-0 to appoint Environmental Attorney Thomas Shea of the firm Mackie Shea as special counsel to assist with negotiations in the Town’s purchase of the property located at 22 Pleasant Street.
- b. Moved by Mr. Jennett and seconded by Ms. Salamoff, the Board voted 5-0-0 to appoint Jonathan Kitchen, PG, LSP of Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. as an environmental specialist to assist in the Town’s purchase of the property located at 22 Pleasant Street.

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

8. 2018 Fall Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles: The Board made the following recommendations:

<u>Article No.</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Vote</u>
2	Mr. Freedman	Ms. Salamoff	Favorable Action	5-0-0
3	Mr. Freedman	Mr. Jennett	Favorable Action	5-0-0
4	Mr. Freedman	Mr. Jennett	Favorable Action	5-0-0
6	Mr. Hickey	Ms. Salamoff	Favorable Action	5-0-0
15	Mr. Freedman	Mr. Hickey	Favorable Action	5-0-0
25	Ms. Salamoff	Mr. Freedman	No Action	5-0-0

Ms. Mistrot gauged the interest of the Board in reviewing Articles over and above those sponsored by the Board and the Town Administrator and the following are planned for review: 17, 27, 28, 32, 33, 35, 38, 39, 40, 41, and 42. Patrick Hayes, FinCom Chair, stated that Articles 19 and 20 were taken up by FinCom this evening and the interim Superintendent of Schools requested No Action on

Article 19, which she will also likely request at Town Meeting. There is really no discussion to be had around Article 20.

9. 2018 Special Town Meeting No. 2 Warrant Articles: Jamie Errickson, Director of Community and Economic Development, was present to discuss STM No. 2 Warrant Articles, noting that the Planning Board opened their public hearing this morning for review of adult use zoning bylaw amendments. The public hearing will be continued to next Wednesday. Article 4 will be discussed at the September 17th Selectmen’s Meeting as will the remainder of STM No. 2 Warrant Articles.

SELECTMEN SUBCOMMITTEE/LIAISON UPDATES

Ms. Salamoff reported that the Opioid Task Force has received a federal SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) grant worth \$125,000 per year over five years. Ms. Malone offered to provide further context at the September 17th Selectmen’s meeting. Ms. Mistrot stated that the focus of it is on prevention.

Mr. Freedman stated that the Kennedy School Building Committee is at the 60% construction/design phase and cost estimates have been received by the OPM and the Architect. The project is presently about \$500,000 under budget.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Chair asked if any members of the public would like to discuss any item on the consent agenda. Mr. Hickey asked to remove items 16 and 18 from the Consent Agenda. The Chair asked for a motion to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda. Moved by Mr. Hickey and seconded by Mr. Freedman, the Board voted unanimously to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda, i.e., excluding the items removed by Mr. Hickey, and conditional upon the fulfillment of all recommendations from Town Agencies and/or Departments. The following items were approved:

- a. Town Administrator’s reappointment of Lori Zalt to the Commission on Disability
- b. Proclamation for Diaper Need Awareness Week
- c. Family Promise Walk to End Homelessness on April 6, 2019
- d. Block party on Jefferson Street on September 15, 2018
- e. Block party on Lois Street on September 29th with a rain date of October 6, 2018
- f. Block party on Franconia Avenue on October 13th with a rain date of October 14, 2018
- g. Recreation & Parks Donation from Wegman’s
- h. Weekly Warrant Review from August 28th and September 1, 2018
- i. Meeting Minutes from May 21, 2018

Regarding item 16, Mr. Hickey pointed out that this evening’s vote would move Geoff Lewis from an associate to a full membership position on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Hickey, having reviewed Mr. Lewis’ resume, opined that Mr. Lewis is well qualified to continue serving on the ZBA. Moved by Mr. Hickey and seconded by Ms. Salamoff, the Board voted 5-0-0 to appoint Mr. Lewis to the Zoning Board of Appeals as a full member.

Regarding item 18, in addition to work being delayed by multiple rainy days, Mr. Hickey noted that Original Contracting also underestimated the magnitude of work that would be required to complete Fair & Yeager Building repairs and has thus requested a two-month extension. With Natick Days festivities imminent, Mr. Hickey wanted to be sure that all equipment is neatly positioned and stored so as not to interfere with the event. Mr. Hickey moved to approve an extension to occupy the public way until October 30th subject to Original Contracting storing their equipment as described above. Mr. Jennett seconded the motion and the Board voted 5-0-0 in favor of the extension.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR NOTES

None.

SELECTMEN’S CONCERNS

Ms. Salamoff stated that Natick Days activities will take place on Saturday from 10:00-3:00. Ms. Mistrot noted that the Board of Selectmen would be available outside of Town Hall to discuss the West Natick Fire Station, a town parking garage, and adult use marijuana.

Mr. Jennett thanked Wegman's for their support of the Recreation & Parks Department.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Jennett, seconded by Mr. Freedman, the Board unanimously voted on a roll call vote to adjourn the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 11:07 p.m.

Michael J. Hickey, Jr., Clerk

September 6, 2018 Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes Approved by the Board of Selectmen on September 17, 2018.

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<https://naticktown.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/MeetingView.aspx?MeetingID=541&MinutesMeetingID=-1&doctype=Agenda>