

**MEETING MINUTES**

**Meeting Conducted Via Virtual Meeting (ZOOM Meeting)**

**March 30, 2020**

**6:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Michael J. Hickey, Jr., Susan G. Salamoff, Vice Chair, Jonathan H. Freedman, Clerk, Richard P. Jennett, Jr., and Karen Adelman-Foster

**ALSO PRESENT:** Town Administrator Melissa A. Malone and Executive Assistant Joan M. McNamara

**ABSENT:** None

Chairman Hickey called the meeting to order at 6:00PM, and noted that the Meeting is being conducted remotely via the “Zoom” platform and being streamed live and recorded by Pegasus.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed for those protecting our rights and freedoms.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There will be no Town Election tomorrow.

Athena Pandolf from the Natick Center Cultural District joined the meeting to speak about local businesses and remind the community that some businesses remain open. Ms. Pandolf also shared information about Kindness Week sponsored by Spark Kindness. Please show love for the community, on Facebook Spark Kindness, LOVE01760Launch.

2020 Census: Ms. Adelman-Foster gave information about the 2020 Census which included the following: Every ten years, we have the opportunity to contribute to the Census. The Census is used to determine funding for many different things including road work and the number of representatives of Congress. You can go online to fill out the Census. Please go to [Natickcounts.com](http://Natickcounts.com) for any help you need filling out the Census.

### **CITIZEN'S CONCERNS**

No Citizen's Concerns were raised during this evening's meeting.

### **REQUESTED ACTION**

- A. AMVETS Post #79 -Application for a Change of Manager for a S12 on Premise Alcohol License. A Roll Call vote was taken and the Board Voted 4-0-0 to Approve the License. Ms. Salamoff was not on the call at this time.

The vote was as follows:

Mr. Freedman	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes
Mr. Jennett	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes

- B. Public Hearing: Sol de Mexico Application for an S12 on Premise Beer and Malt Beverage License – Moved by Mr. Freedman, seconded by Mr. Jennett to open the Public Hearing at 8:02PM by Roll Call vote: The vote was as follows:

Mr. Freedman	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes
Mr. Jennett	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes

The Board, on motion by Mr. Jennett, and seconded by Mr. Freedman, voted, by Roll Call Vote, to approve the Application. The vote was as follows:

Mr. Freedman	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes
Mr. Jennett	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes

After discussion, the Board voted by Roll Call vote to close the Public Hearing at 8:17PM. The vote was as follows:

Mr. Freedman	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes
Mr. Jennett	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes

## **DISCUSSION AND DECISION**

### **A. COVID-19 Virus**

1. Public health update: Director of Dept. of Health, James White, gave his update on COVID in Middlesex County including deaths, positive results and those in quarantine. Our public health nurse will assist beyond her retirement. We have a Hotline with people taking calls for any resources the public may need: 508-647-6540.
2. Update of relief legislation: Karis North, Town Counsel: Ms. North spoke about provisions relating to Town Meeting through the state of the emergency period. On premise licenses for alcohol may soon be able to provide take out alcohol with very specific wording. Ms. North will have additional information after Wednesday, April 1, 2020.
3. Town update of services and events: Ms. Malone: All of our buildings remain closed to the public. For the South Main Street project, the Eversource utility poles will begin to be moved. The Recycling Center remains open.

Summer camps are still being evaluated. Community Gardens and golf course are closed. The date of the Marathon was changed to 9/14/2020. Natick Days will need to be rescheduled. The Town municipal building remains closed. We are using the mail slot at the front of the building at Town Hall for payment of taxes.

Libraries are assisting with our census and other enrichment opportunities. All parks are closed, including the dog park.

4. FY20 and FY21 Implications and multi-year budgeting  
John Townsend, Finance Director, reviewed updated budget numbers.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve Retired Detective Sergeant Richard Halloran as Special Police Officer
- B. Procurement Officer Award Contracts
  - Contract Item A. Right of Way South Main St.
  - Contract Item B. Right of Way Production Documents
  - Contract Item C. Hunnewell Field Backstop Materials
  - Contract Item D. Roadway Award Materials
  - Contract Item E. Final Award Pauline Drive

Contract Item F. High Lift Pump Award  
Contract Item G. Door Hardware Award  
Contract Item H. Evergreen Well No. 3 Well Replacement  
Contract Item I. Design Engineering Services - Firing Range/Natick Police Station

On a Motion by Mr. Freedman, seconded by Ms. Adelman-Foster, the Board Voted 4-0-0- to approve the Consent Agenda. Ms. Salamoff was not on the call at this time. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Mr. Freedman	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes
Mr. Jennett	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes

At 7:45PM there was a Roll Call VOTE to enter into Executive Session to discuss:

A. Pursuant to MGL c. 30A, S. 21 (a)(3) - To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the Chair so declares: Natick Patrol Officers' Association

The vote was as follows:

Mr. Freedman	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes
Mr. Jennett	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair announced that the Board would be adjourning from Executive Session, and not be returning to Open Session.

On a motion by Mr. Jennett, seconded by Mr. Freedman, the Board unanimously voted, by Roll Call Vote, to adjourn the Board of Selectmen's Meeting at 8:15PM.

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The vote was as follows:

Mr. Freedman	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes
Mr. Jennett	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes

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Richard P. Jennett, Jr., Clerk

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