

SELECT BOARD
TOWN OF NATICK

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Conducted Via Virtual Meeting and
in person at Edward H. Dlott Meeting Room
September 9, 2021
6:30 PM

PRESENT: Karen Adelman-Foster, Chair, Richard P. Jennett, Jr., Vice-Chair, Michael J. Hickey, Jr., Susan G. Salamoff, Paul R. Joseph

ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator, James Errickson, Town Moderator, Frank Foss, Town Clerk, Diane Packer; and Executive Assistant, Joan M. McNamara

ABSENT: None

Chair Adelman-Foster called the meeting to order at 6:36PM and noted that the Meeting is being recorded by Pegasus and Zoom.

Chair Adelman-Foster noted that for Zoom participants, under the “reactions” button you will find the raise hand button. If you are dialing in by phone kindly press *9 to raise your hand and *6 to mute and unmute your phone.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a Moment of Silence was observed for those who have sacrificed their lives in service to this country.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Just a reminder that Natick Days will take place this Saturday, September 11, 2021. The hours are 10:00am-3:00pm.

PUBLIC SPEAK

None this evening

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

A. Public Hearing: 2022 License Fees – Hearing continued from September 8, 2021

Attached to this evening’s agenda are a public hearing notice, a copy of the 2020 Licensing fees and a copy of the 2021 licensing fees.

Mr. Errickson, Town Administrator, stated that the licensing fee process is typically done in October in advance of a November implementation. We wish to discuss this process earlier so that we could.

understand where the Board stands on the fees. The Board noted that it would be helpful to get a list of the fees over the last several years with the noted changes we made during COVID. If there is additional information that could show fees from other local communities for comparison, that would also be helpful. Board Chair Adelman-Foster invited local businesses to be in touch with administration if they would like to add any additional input.

B. Public Hearing: Bellofatto Family Square Dedication – continued from September 8, 2021

Attached to this evening's agenda are 3 documents entitled: Public Hearing notice, Request for the Bellofatto Family Square from Veterans' Services; and a copy of the proposed Bellofatto Family Square Resolution.

Mr. Hickey read the resolution and Mr. Carew, Director of Veterans' Affairs, is present and discussed the sacrifices and contributions of the Bellofatto family.

On a Motion by Mr. Jennett, seconded by Ms. Salamoff, the Board voted 5-0-0 to approve the dedication of the square and to adopt the Bellofatto Family Resolution.

A. Accept return of Gravestones/Monuments from the Town of Sudbury

Attached to this evening's agenda is a request from the Natick Historical Commission who have been in talks with the Town of Sudbury's Historical Commission for several months regarding a headstone and footstone of two individuals found in Sudbury. They match the burial site stones of Jemima Morse and John Jones, Esq. who are interred in the "Old Burial Ground" of South Natick. The Town of Sudbury is making arrangements to return the stones to Natick and are looking for the Select Board to accept the stones and reset them in Natick.

On a motion by Mr. Jennett, seconded by Ms. Salamoff, the Board voted 5-0-0 to accept the return of the gravestones and monuments from the Town of Sudbury and to send them a letter of thanks.

B. Approve Moderator's Recommendation for 2021 Virtual Fall Annual Town Meeting

Frank Foss, Town Moderator and Diane Packer, Town Clerk, were present for this agenda item requesting that Town Meeting be held in a virtual venue. Attached to this evening's agenda are a draft recommendation letter from Moderator, Frank Foss, which outlines the recommendation to hold Town Meeting virtually, as well as a draft letter advising Town Meeting Members of a virtual venue.

On a Motion by Mr. Jennett, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board voted 5-0-0 that the Town of Natick conduct a Remote (video conferencing or telephone) Town Meeting in conformance with the requirements set forth in Sections 8 (a)-(i) of legislation codified at Chapter 92 of the Acts of 2020, as extended by sections 8 and 9 of Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021.

On a Motion by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board voted 5-0-0 to Authorize the Chair to sign a letter advising Town Meeting members of the Select Board vote this evening to conduct a virtual Town Meeting.

C. Refer Zoning Articles from Fall Town Meeting Warrant to Planning Board

On a Motion by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Ms. Salamoff, the Board voted 5-0-0 to refer the Fall Annual Town Meeting 2021 Articles numbered 26-32 inclusive, as listed below, to the Planning Board.

- Article 26 Amend Zoning By-Laws: Agri-Tourism Accessory Use
- Article 27 Amend Zoning By-Laws: Livestock Accessory Use
- Article 28 Amend Zoning By-Laws: Cluster Bylaw Amendments
- Article 29 Amend Zoning By-Laws: Limited Salesroom for Motor Vehicles
- Article 30 Amend Zoning By-Laws: Special Permit Lapse
- Article 31 Hoop I District Near West Natick Commuter Rail (George L. Richards)
- Article 32 Re-Zoning of Portions of East Central Street, Wilson Street, Grant Street and Union Street (George L. Richards)

D. Approve Meeting Minutes

1. December 30, 2020

On a motion by Mr. Jennett, seconded by Mr. Hickey, the Board voted 4-0-1 to approve the open Meeting Minutes from December 30, 2020.

E. Approve RFI Cannabis Wording Update:

Mr. Errickson, Town Administrator, addressed three changes that are being proposed to the RFI on Cannabis:

1. Change Board of Selectmen to Select board
2. Removing reference of Mr. Freas who was our previous Director of Community and Economic Development; and
3. Replacing, where possible, the terminology from "marijuana" to cannabis.

On a motion by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Mr. Jennett, the Board vote 5-0-0 to approve updates and revisions to the RFI

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR NOTES:

Town Administrator Errickson gave an update on the South Main Street project. This project is currently on pause to allow utility companies to move their wires from one side of the road to consolidating to the other side of the road.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve Lyman Phillips' Millbrook Block Party for 9.25.21

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B. Approve Glenn Eagan's Block Party Request for 9/19/21

C. Approve Jeff Rodman's Request for Block Party.9.12.21

D. Approve Winnemay Block Party Request for 9.26.21

E. Weekly Warrant Review

F. Approve Meeting Minutes

1. Meeting Minutes of June 2, 2021

2. Meeting Minutes of June 30, 2021

G. Procurement Officer Award Contracts

1. Combined Parking Ticket Collection Second Contract Extension

2. Professional Planning Services

On a motion by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board voted 5-0-0 to approve Consent Agenda Items A-F and item G1.

After a discussion by the Board on item G2 of the consent agenda, Mr. Jennett moved, and Mr. Hickey seconded, a motion to approve item G2 of the Consent Agenda. The Board vote 5-0-0 in favor.

Chair Adelman-Foster read the one item for Executive Session this evening and noted that the Board will be adjourning from Executive Session this evening and not returning to Open Session.

On a motion from Mr. Jennett, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board, by Roll Call Vote, voted 5-0-0 to enter into Executive Session. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Ms. Salamoff	Yes
Mr. Jennett	Yes
Mr. Joseph	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes

EXECUTIVE SESSION

F. Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, section 21(a)(3), to discuss strategy with respect to Collective Bargaining If an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the Chair so declares

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Michael J. Hickey, Jr. Clerk

_____ Select Board Meeting Minutes Approved by the Select Board on _____.

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