

SELECT BOARD  
TOWN OF NATICK

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MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Conducted in the Edward H. Dlott  
Meeting Room and via Zoom  
June 1, 2022  
6:30PM

PRESENT: Michael J. Hickey, Jr., Vice-Chair, Bruce T. Evans, Clerk; Kathryn M. Coughlin

ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator, James Errickson, Deputy Town Administrator, Jon Marshall, Deputy Town Administrator - Finance, John Townsend; Chief of Police, James Hicks, Paul Carew, Director of Veterans' Affairs; Debbie Sherman, Treasurer; Diane Packer, Town Clerk; Jeremy Marsette, Director of DPW; and Executive Assistant, Joan McNamara

ABSENT: Paul R. Joseph, Chair

Chair Hickey called the meeting to order at 6:40PM

Chair Hickey stated that he will read the 1 item for Executive Session this evening and read the following:

- A. 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: Natick Patrol Officers' Association - Police Patrol Officers; New England Police Benevolent Association Local 82-Police Superior Officers; New England Police Benevolent Association Local 182 - Dispatchers

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 3-0-0, to enter into Executive Session. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Mr. Evans	Yes
Ms. Coughlin	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes

Open session reconvened at 7:42PM

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a Moment of Silence was observed

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A. Mr. Paul Carew, Director of Veterans Affairs, was present this evening and wished to remember, post Memorial Day, all veterans who have been buried, but even more importantly to remember our ties to our veterans whether that be in Natick or anywhere else in this country. Mr. Carew also wished to reflect on our veterans who suffer with dual diagnoses, behavioral health and substance abuse issues. Mr. Carew reminded people not to be afraid to reach out to our veterans who may be suffering.
- B. Mr. Hickey read a letter of praise received by the Select Board office which spoke about the dedication and commitment shown by Paul Carew every day in his capacity as the Director of Veterans' Affairs.

C. Announce LGBTQIA Pride Month in Natick

Mr. Errickson, Town Administrator read a statement announcing June as LGBTQIA Pride month.

D. Vacancy MetroWest Health Foundation's Leonard Morse Grants Panel

Mr. Hickey announced that there is a vacancy on MetroWest Health Foundation's Leonard Morse Grants' Panel. Attached to this evening's agenda is a letter from MetroWest Health Foundation noticing the vacancy as well as a full description of the Panel itself.

E. Nomination papers for Special Election

The Select Board recently announced that there will be a special election for the recently vacated seat on the Board. The election is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13th.

Nomination papers will be available on Wednesday, June 1, 2022, in the Town Clerk's office. Candidates will need to get at least 25 signatures from registered voters in Natick. Nomination papers are due back to the Board of Registrars in the Town Clerk's Office no later than 5:00 PM on Tuesday, June 28th. Please feel free to call the Clerk's office at (508) 647-6430 X4 or email: [vote@natickma.org](mailto:vote@natickma.org)

F. Resuming Select Board office hours

The Select Board will be resuming their office hours tomorrow evening, June 2, 2022, at 6:00pm, Town Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, in the Select Board meeting room. Attached to this evening's agenda is a copy of the Select Board Office Hours Meeting Schedule for the rest of the calendar year 2022.

**PUBLIC SPEAK**

Ms. Paynter, a Natick resident addressed the Board regarding the Natick 2030 Master Plan.

**APPOINTMENTS**

A. Interview and Appointment to the Conservation Commission

1. Interview of David Howe

Attached to this evening's agenda is Mr. Howe's resume and application packet to the Conservation Commission. Mr. Howe was present before the Board for his interview this evening.

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board voted 3-0-0 to appoint Mr. Howe to the Conservation Commission.

**DISCUSSION and DECISION**

A. Approve Loan from Massachusetts Clean Waters' Trust

This item has been removed from the agenda and will be heard at another time.

- B. Approve BAN (Bond Anticipatory Note) from Massachusetts Clean Waters' Trust  
Mr. Townsend – Deputy Town Administrator, Finance, was present this evening to speak to this item. Attached to this evening's agenda are all of the Bond Documents that are related to this transaction that have been downloaded to be executed by the Board with wet signatures. Ms. Packer, Town Clerk and Ms. Sherman, Town Treasurer, are also present, to sign the documents. Mr. Evans read the following Select Board vote into the record and moved to adopt the following, and Ms. Coughlin seconded the Motion with a 3-0-0 Select Board vote as follows:

Voted: to approve the sale of \$3,887,101 3.00 percent General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes (the "Notes") of the Town dated June 10, 2022, and payable August 25, 2022, to TD Securities (USA) LLC at par and accrued interest, if any, plus a premium of \$10,145.33.

Further Voted: that in connection with the marketing and sale of the Notes, the preparation and distribution of a Notice of Sale and Preliminary Official Statement dated May 17, 2022 and a final Official Statement dated May 24, 2022, each in such form as may be approved by the Town Treasurer, be and hereby are ratified, confirmed, approved and adopted.

Further Voted: that the Town Treasurer and the Select Board be, and hereby are, authorized to execute and deliver a significant events disclosure undertaking in compliance with SEC Rule 15c2-12 in such form as may be approved by bond counsel to the Town, which undertaking shall be incorporated by reference in the Notes for the benefit of the holders of the Notes from time to time.

Further Voted: that we authorize and direct the Town Treasurer to establish post issuance federal tax compliance procedures and continuing disclosure procedures in such forms as the Town Treasurer and bond counsel deem sufficient, or if such procedures are currently in place, to review and update said procedures, in order to monitor and maintain the tax-exempt status of the Notes and to comply with relevant securities laws.

Further Voted: that any certificates or documents relating to the Notes (collectively, the "Documents"), may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be regarded as an original and all of which shall constitute one and the same document; delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to a Document by electronic mail in a ".pdf" file or by other electronic transmission shall be as effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart signature page to such Document; and electronic signatures on any of the Documents shall be deemed original signatures for the purposes of the Documents and all matters relating thereto, having the same legal effect as original signatures.

Further Voted: that each member of the Select Board, the Town Clerk and the Town Treasurer be and hereby are, authorized to take any and all such actions, and execute and deliver such certificates, receipts or other documents as may be determined by them, or any of them, to be necessary or convenient to carry into effect the provisions of the foregoing votes.

- C. Continuation of Public Hearing: MASFannon, LLC d/b/a Austin's Liquors Too for a change of location and a d/b/a change from Austin's Liquors Too to Fannon's.

Tom Miller, Attorney for MASFannon, LLC d/b/a Austin's Liquors, was present before the Board this

evening to change their location from 212 North Main Street to 45 Worcester Road, Natick, MA. The d/b/a is also looking to be changed from Austin's Liquors Too to Fannon's. The ownership and management team of the licensee is also present, in-person this evening. The Board asked many questions about the change of location and a group of citizens who are in opposition to the relocation were also present and voiced their concerns to the Board.

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board voted 3-0-0 to Continue the Public Hearing: MASFannon, LLC d/b/a Austin's Liquors Too for a change of location and a d/b/a change from Austin's Liquors Too to Fannon's to June 15, 2022.

- D. Continuation of Public Hearing: SLJ Beverage, Inc. d/b/a Dion's Wine and Spirits for a Change of Officers/Director/LLC Managers, a Change of Ownership Interest and a Change of Stock Interest of their All Alcoholic Beverages Package Store License

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board voted 3-0-0 to continue the Public Hearing to June 15, 2022.

- E. Continuation of Public Hearing: Fiscal 2023 Water and Sewer Rates

Deputy Town Administrator- Operations, Jon Marshall, stated that this has been a team effort of the finance department and DPW to determine the rate setting for Fiscal year 2023. Attached to this evening's agenda is a memo dated 5/26/22 which is a rate proposal for FY2023. In addition, there is a presentation entitled "Water/Sewer Rate Setting presentation" dated June 1, 2022. Mr. Marsette, Director of the DPW, was also present this evening to accept questions from the Board.

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board voted 3-0-0 to close the public hearing.

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board voted 3-0-0 to approve the recommendation of this evening to set the Water rate at 7.5% and the Sewer Rate at 7.5% for fiscal year 2023 beginning July 1, 2022.

- F. Public Hearing: Approve change of resident address

Chief Hicks was present this evening to review the Safety Committee recommendation for a resident's change of address request. Attached to this evening's agenda is also a public hearing notice for a resident request to change their address from 12 Floral Ave. Extension to 11 Floral Ave. Extension, Natick, MA 01760. Also attached is the Safety Committee recommendation for a public hearing. The resident is also present.

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board voted 3-0-0 to approve the resident's request to change their address from 12 Floral Ave. Extension to 11 Floral Ave. Extension, Natick, MA.

- G. Reappoint Town Counsel

Ms. North, Town Counsel, was present this evening before the Board. Attached to this evening's agenda is a letter from Ms. North dated June 1, 2022, requesting that she and her firm, Murphy, Hesse, Toomey and Lehane, be reappointed as Town Counsel from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board voted 3-0-0 to reappoint Murphy, Hesse, Toomey and Lehane as Town Counsel and labor counsel from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve Council on Aging reappointments:
  - 1. Karen Oakley
  - 2. Harriet Merkowitz
  - 3. Elaina Danahy
- B. Approve Meeting Minutes
  - 4. December 1, 2021
- C. Procurement Officer Award Contracts:
  - 5. Contract for Annual Roadway Improvements 2022 (Paving, etc.)
  - 6. Award: Forensic Technology Services
- D. Approve Jay Ball's reappointment to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Board
- E. Approve Josh Ostroff's reappointment to the Cochituate Rail Trail Advisory Committee
- F. Approve Karina Carr's request for block party on June 24, 2022 on Fern Street
- G. Approve Seth Levine's reappointment to the Recreation and Parks Commission
- H. Reappoint Matt Page to the Transportation Advisory Committee
- I. Approve Nathaniel Sheidley's reappointment to the Historical Commission
- J. Approve Request from Erin Cummins to film at the Natick Police Department on either October 22, 2022, or October 23, 2022
- K. Approve Cystic Fibrosis Cycle for Life on Saturday, October 1, 2022 Approve One Day Liquor License for Holly Chin Vocal Studio

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board voted 3-0-0 to approve the Consent Agenda.

On a motion by Mr. Evans, seconded by Ms. Coughlin, the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 3-0-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:00pm. The Roll call vote was as follows:

Mr. Evans.	Yes
Ms. Coughlin	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes

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Bruce T. Evans, Clerk

June 1, 2022, Select Board Meeting Minutes Approved by the Select Board on \_\_\_\_\_.

All documents used at this Select Board meeting are available at:  
<https://naticktown.novusagenda.com/agendapublic/MeetingView.aspx?MeetingID=1049&MinutesMeetingID=-1&doctype=Agend>