

**TOWN OF ARLINGTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Meeting Minutes
Monday, July 13, 2015
7:15 PM

Present: Mr. Greeley, Chair, Mrs. Mahon, Vice Chair, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Curro and Mr. Byrne
Also present: Mr. Chapdelaine, Mr. Heim and Mrs. Krepelka

Mr. Greeley asked for a moment of silence in memory of James Robillard and Edward Coughlin, both long time baseball coaches and lifelong Arlington residents.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of Meetings: June 29, 2015
2. Reappointments: Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee
Doug Greenfield
Ron Sender
(terms to expire 7/2018)
3. Reappointments: Permanent Town Building Committee
John Cole (term to expire 6/2018)
Allen Reedy (term to expire 6/2018)
4. Request: Special (One Day) Alcohol License
Cyrus E. Dallin Art Museum Summer Soiree Fundraiser
Sunday, August 9, 2015 6:00-8:00pm
Heather Leavell, Director/Curator
5. Request: Contractor/Drainlayer License
Sacca Group, LLC, Billerica, MA

Mr. Byrne moved approval subject to all conditions as set forth.

SO VOTED (5-0)

APPOINTMENTS

6. Tree Committee
Eric Ammondson
(term to expire 7/2018)

Mr. Dunn moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

7. Introduction: Newly Appointed Member to Arlington Historic District Commissions
Margaret Capodanno (Avon Place District)
(term to expire 6/30/2018)

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

8. Poet Laureate

Miriam Levine

(term to expire 7/2016)

The Board appointed Arlington's first Poet Laureate, Miriam Levine, at tonight's meeting.

Mr. Curro stated that while the position may not be quite as exalted as that of other great national poet laureates, he hoped Mrs. Levine will be just as inspirational to Arlington residents. Mr. Curro stated he felt the appointment of Mrs. Levine was in keeping with Arlington's long artistic tradition dating back to Cyrus Dallin.

Mrs. Levine will be having weekly office hours at Robbins Library (twice a week: one afternoon and one early evening) for aspiring poets and interested amateurs. She also will schedule regular poetry workshops throughout the year.

Mrs. Mahon stated she recalled many childhood evenings spent playing at the Levine home.

The Board stated they are all delighted with this appointment.

Mr. Curro moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

9. Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC) - Alternate Representative

David Fields, Technical Planner/GIS Analyst

Mr. Chapdelaine spoke in favor of appointing David Fields, Technical Planner/GIS Analyst as the alternate representative on the Metropolitan Area Planning Council.

Mr. Curro moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

CITIZENS OPEN FORUM - SIGN IN PRIOR TO BEGINNING OF OPEN FORUM

Except in unusual circumstances, any matter presented for consideration of the Board shall neither be acted upon, nor a decision made the night of the presentation in accordance with the policy under which the Open Forum was established. It should be noted that there is a three minute time limit to present a concern or request.

Steven Revilak, 111 Sunnyside Avenue, asked the Board if they could help in any way with the noise at the Dilboy Stadium, especially with the Boston Militia Games. It is his understanding the Boston Militia brings a cannon to every game and fires a shot whenever they score a goal. He stated it is like having several bombs going off in your backyard.

Mr. Chapdelaine stated he had received complaints today and planned to reach out to the Mayor of Somerville directly to determine the best way of dealing with the issue.

Mrs. Mahon stated she wanted Mr. Revilak to know that she was informed by Dan Driscoll, DCR Chair, that the Sunnyside Avenue roadway project has been put out to bid. Mr. Driscoll will verify that the project was awarded and will check on the commencement status.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

10. Discussion and Adopt: Selectmen's Handbook, Code of Conduct Summary and Awards, Proclamations and Events

Kevin F. Greeley, Chair

Mr. Byrne thanked the Committee (Mr. Heim, Mr. Greeley, Eve Margolis, Mary Ann Sullivan and Steven Byrne) for all their work putting together this handbook.

Mr. Curro thanked Mr. Greeley and the Committee for a great educational piece for new Selectmen.

Mr. Dunn moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

11. Discussion and Vote: Regarding Scheduling a Public Hearing on the Oaktree Development Project Eligibility Application Following Updated Communications with Oaktree and MassHousing

Douglas W. Heim, Town Counsel

The Board asked Town Counsel and Chairman Greeley to negotiate a date with Oaktree Development to present full details of the proposed apartment complex on the Mugar Land adjacent to Thorndike Field. The hearing will be an opportunity for the Board and public to obtain more information about the project. Mr. Greeley stated he hopes Oaktree will expand on what it has presented to the Town in the past..

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Status of Revisions to the Regional Agreement

Ed Bouquillon, Superintendent-Director Minuteman Regional High School

Department of Energy Resources (DOER) Green Communities Award Letter

Lisa Capone, Acting Director

Green Communities Division

Mrs. Mahon moved approval of Correspondence Received.

SO VOTED (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Chapdelaine stated he has received 20 Applicants for the CPA Committee. Mr. Chapdelaine and Mr. Greeley will be bringing forward at least eight candidates. There are some very strong candidates and they will have choices to make.

Mr. Chapdelaine attended the fundraising on Saturday for "Chairful Where You Sit" on Saturday and purchased a "Time-Out" chair for his daughter. After he bought the chair, he was told it was hand painted, much to his surprise, by the family of Selectmen Curro.

Mr. Chapdelaine stated that as part of the Dept. of Energy Resources (DOER) Green Communities Program, the state awarded Arlington a \$240,000 grant aimed at implementing additional energy reduction initiatives in the Town. Mr. Chapdelaine stated this is the fourth grant Arlington has received from the Green Communities Program since its inception in 2010. Arlington's cumulative total is \$938,000.

Mr. Chapdelaine stated he had a tremendous week at the Harvard School of Public Health (Executive Education for Sustainability Leadership). One of the Professors was Arlington resident Dr. John Spengler; it was a great program.

Mr. Byrne stated that the Parking Implementation Governance Committee will be hearing from the vendor tomorrow regarding the new meters for the Russell Common and Water Street Parking Lots.

Mrs. Mahon stated the installation of the turf at Peirce Field will take place within a few weeks and will be ready for fall activities.

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.

A true record: Attest

Marie A. Krepelka
Board Administrator

Next Scheduled Meeting of BoS August 17, 2015

7-13-15**Documents Used**

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