

Town of Arlington
Board of Selectmen
Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2018
7:15 PM

Selectmen's Chambers, 2nd Floor, Town Hall

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

1. Wheelabrator Community Gift

John Farese, Wheelabrator Technologies

Mr. Greeley moved to table.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Mrs. Mahon arrived late.

2. Beer Garden Update and Request for Approval of Saturdays in September

Ali Carter, Economic Development Coordinator

Following concerns about the Beer Garden's impact on Arlington Center businesses, the Board asked Ali Carter, Economic Development Coordinator to report back in August before approving September dates to discuss and review the results of the survey as well as attendance. Ms. Carter stated that in the three weekends the Beer Garden ran, a total of 2,378 transactions occurred. Approximately 1,500 guests attended each Beer Garden with two-thirds of attendees over the age of 21. Ms. Carter stated that 86 percent of Beer Garden patrons went to Arlington Center specifically for the Beer Garden. Attendees also spent money in Arlington Center. Ms. Carter also stated that Aeronaut asked to remove Sundays from its schedule after the brewery discovered they would need more staff than anticipated to work the event. Select Board Member Hurd asked Aeronaut if there was a way they could use Sunday as a rain date when it rains on Saturday. Aeronaut stated that if there was a way to approve the alcohol license for that they would consider using Sunday as a rain date. The Board thanked Ms. Carter and Aeronaut Brewery for all their work in making this event such a success.

Mr. Greeley moved that the Select Board approve Sunday license as a rain date.

SO VOTED (5-0)

3. For Approval: Plan for Signs in Heights

Ali Carter, Economic Development Coordinator

Ms. Carter stated that there are two signs located in Arlington Heights at the corner of Mass. Ave. and Park Ave. These signs were installed as part of the Mass. Ave. Reconstruction Project in the 1980's. Over the years, they have functioned as gateway signs and business directories. By 2017 the signs were in poor repair and in the fall of that year were taken down by the Department of Public Works to be painted and restored. They were reinstalled in the spring of 2018 and continue to serve their original function as gateway signs, reading "Welcome to Arlington Heights" on the Park Avenue facing side of each sign. The Mass. Ave. facing side of each sign, however, is currently blank. This side formerly featured a map and listing of businesses in the Heights; many neighborhood owners expressed that this is no longer a necessary or viable use for the sign. In conjunction with the Arlington Heights Community Association, it was proposed to have these signs repurposed into historical vignette and

community announcement boards. Ms. Carter stated in addition to the historical vignette, the very same space on these Heights signs can alternately function as community announcement boards, similar to the sign in front of Town Hall used by local nonprofits and town committees to announce their events. The two signs in the Heights can be fitted with hooks to allow installation of signs. When there is no event to promote, event signage will be removed and an attractive historical vignette will be revealed underneath.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

4. For Approval: Creation of Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

Jenny Raitt, Director of Planning and Community Development

Erin Zwirko, Assistant Director of Planning and Community Development spoke regarding the distributing of Affordable Housing Funds. She stated the Town of Arlington has two accounts that contain funds specifically set aside for affordable housing, one from the developer of the Symmes Hospital Site provided as part of the Land Disposition Agreement recorded on July 25, 2005, as amended, and the second from a non-federal fund. In total, the amount is \$178,300. Of the total, \$150,000 was received from the Symmes Redevelopment Associates, LLC with the intended purpose of "subsidizing affordable housing units and for deposit in the Affordable Housing Trust Fund or in a similar account for such purposes." The remaining amount, \$28,300 is believed to be CDBG program income funds moved in to an account for the purpose of creating affordable housing.

All affordable housing trusts include a statement of purpose that guides how affordable housing funds are allocated and dispersed by the Trustees. The creation of an Advisory Committee would assist the Select Board in making recommendations for distribution of these funds. This Advisory Committee should be no more than 9 people and be made up of representatives from the following departments, other committees, and the public:

1. Member of the Select Board
2. Town Manager or designee
3. Director of Planning and Community Development or designee
4. Representative from the Housing Plan Implementation Committee
5. Representative from the Arlington Redevelopment Board
6. Representative from Community Preservation Act Committee; and
7. Three residents or business community members, at least one of whom has experience with affordable housing either as a tenant or developer

The Select Board would appoint the Advisory Committee members for two year terms with the option to be reappointed. The terms could become staggered after the initial year. The Advisory Committee would be required to comply with the requirements of the Open Meeting Law.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval subject to all conditions as set forth.

SO VOTED (5-0)

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Minutes of Meetings: July 16, 2018
6. REAPPOINTMENTS (terms to expire 6/30/2021)

Commission on Disabilities

Michael Rademacher

Council on Aging

Jill Greenlee

Human Resource Board

Sheila Keady Rawson

Park and Recreation Commission

Jennifer Rothenberg

Veteran's Council

William Hayner

Patrick Quinn

Anmarie Russo

7. Request: Special (One Day) All Alcohol License, 9/1/18 @ Whittemore Robbins House for a Private Event
Anirudh Mohan Jhanji
8. Request: Special (One Day) Beer & Wine License, 9/15/18 Town Day Beer Garden
Marie Krepelka and Kathleen Darcy, Town Day Co-Chairs
9. Request: Special (One Day) All Alcohol License, 9/21/18 @ Smith Museum, Jason Russell House for Arlington Historical Society Cocktail Party Social Fundraiser
Patsy Kraemer, Arlington Historical Society

10. Request: Oktoberfest at the Old Schwamb Mill, October 13, 2018, Noon - 4:00 p.m.

Edward Gordon, Director of Museum Programs, Old Schwamb Mill

a) Special (One Day) Beer & Wine License

b) Mill Lane (between Lowell Street and bridge over Mill Brook) - street closing

Mr. Gordon appeared before the Board to speak on his request to serve alcohol at this event that is to be held on October 13th. He stated to receive more information for Oktoberfest to visit their website www.oldschwabmill.org or call them at 781-643-0554.

11. For Approval: Arlington-Belmont Crew Lawn Signs, 8/14/18 through 8/28/18

Rosemary Burke, AB Crew Co-President

Mrs. Burke wanted to thank Arlington for its strong support to the Arlington-Belmont Crew Team. They are requesting lawn signs to advertise for new members, particularly beginners. She

stated that this is a walk on team, and encourage Arlington High School students to join their team. Mr. Curro stated that some of the signs look like they may be directly abutting some private properties and to notify the owners when placing the signs.

12. For Approval: All Alcohol License Revision

George Mullan, 193 Massachusetts Avenue, Town Tavern

Mr. Curro moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Mrs. Mahon arrived late.

LICENSES & PERMITS

13. For Approval: Common Victualler License

Luigi's Italian Kitchen, 242 Massachusetts Avenue, Kevin and Lisa Cronin

Mrs. Mahon moved approval subject to all conditions as set forth.

SO VOTED (5-0)

14. For Approval: Public Entertainment and Alteration of Premise Licenses

Commune Kitchen, 203 Broadway, Richard Niedzwiecki

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

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.

No matters were presented to the Board.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS / OTHER BUSINESS

15. Request: Handicap Parking Sign @ 31 Magnolia Street

Donald R. Ronchetti, Jr.

Mr. Curro moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Mrs. Mahon arrived late.

16. Discussion: Haiku Bikeway Project

Adria Arch, Chair, Arlington Public Art

Cecily Miller, APA

Ms. Miller presented a report regarding Pathways: Art on the Minuteman Bikeway. This is a partnership project of the Arlington Commission on the Arts and Culture and the Arlington Public Art funded in part by the Arlington Cultural Council and the National Parks Service. Said locations are between Linwood Circle and Kickstand Cafe.

Mr. Curro moved receipt of report and thanked Ms. Miller for all their hard work.

SO VOTED (5-0)

17. Request Support of Minuteman Bikeway 25th Anniversary Celebration, September 29th

Christopher Tonkin, Chair, Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee

The Arlington Bicycle Advisory Committee is requesting the Select Board's support in planning an upcoming celebration for the Minuteman Bikeway's 25 Anniversary. In collaboration with groups from Lexington and Bedford, ABAC is planning a 25th Anniversary celebration of the Minuteman Bikeway scheduled for Saturday, September 29th. While Arlington's 25th Anniversary Committee coordinated several successful events last year to celebrate the anniversary, this year is the bikeway's anniversary in Lexington and Bedford, and the aim for the 29th is for celebratory activities to expend through all three municipalities.

In preparation for the event, ABAC would like to:

- A. Create two banner signs to hand over the bikeway which would say "Celebrate 25 Years along the Bikeway"; and
- B. Invite the Governor and other dignitaries to the event. ABAC is working with representatives in Lexington and Bedford to create an official invitation that could be distributed to dignitaries, and is interested in having the Select Board sign the invitation.

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

18. For Discussion and Approval: Amendment of Lime BikeShare Operator License to Increase from 150 to 300 Bikes

Douglas W. Heim, Town Counsel

Mr. Chapdelaine stated that earlier this year the Board approved the first licenses to operate a bicycle share system in Arlington under our pilot program following the MAPC-lead RFP Process along with 14 other participating communities. One pilot program allowed for 300 bicycles in Arlington, divided up between the two successful bidders -- Lime and Spin, for 150 bikes each. Unfortunately, Spin informed the Town that it will not launch its bike share service in Arlington or any of the other communities who participated in the joint competitive procurement. As such, Lime now requests to amend its license to make up for the gap, allowing them to field all 300 bikes anticipated by the Board and the Planning Department.

Mr. Greeley moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

19. For Discussion and Approval: Authorized Use Limitation for 51 Grove Street DPW Yard
Douglas W. Heim, Town Counsel

Town Counsel informed members of the Select Board in 2001 the Town and a group of industrial corporations (Honeywell International, the Boston Gas Company, the Massachusetts Electric Company and/or their successors and assigns) collectively known as the "Industrial Parties," entered into a settlement agreement with respect to environmental conditions located at the DPW Yard and Peirce Field. The full agreement and its several amendments remediated or capped conditions of concern at both sites, required the Industrial Parties to continue to monitor and report on site conditions to ensure safety, and provided additional consideration for the Town including several million dollars in capital improvements to the athletic facilities. In return, the Town was required to file an Authorized Use Limitation with Mass DEP and a Grant of the Restriction and Access Easement to the Industrial Parties for both the DPW Yard and Peirce Field.

Town Counsel is requesting the Board's approval for both the AUL and the Use Restriction and Access Easement for the DPW Yard site only at this juncture.
Mrs. Mahon moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Spy Pond Sediment Removal

Paul D. Stedman, MassDOT

The Board requested through the Town Manager to refer to the Department of Public Works.

Request Contacting National Grid re Reduction of Gas Leaks

G. Lee Humphrey, 169 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston

The Board referred to the Gas Leak Moratorium Committee.

Request Reconsideration of Moratorium on Non-Emergency Gas Permits

Deborah Nowell, Esq., 1193 Massachusetts Avenue

Mrs. Mahon moved receipt of "Correspondence Received".

SO VOTED (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Krepelka notified the Board that there will be a Town Day meeting Tuesday August 14th from 2-4 p.m. to discuss new booth vendors and entertainment.

Mr. Heim stated that late last week the attorney general's office notified us that they approved Town Bylaw changes from the 2018 Annual Town Meeting with one detail, they are holding the gender neutral bylaw while the special legislation goes through so that will happen at the same time. Representative Garballey's staff transmitted to Mr. Heim the latest draft, and it looks good. The hope is that they will be voting on that relatively quickly. Mr. Heim also highlighted that the fine was seen as too high in the animal control update, which we essentially took from the state statute but it will remain as it is at 300 dollars

Mr. Chapdelaine wanted to thank Mr. Heim for the work and conversations he had to update the Board regarding the Alewife Garage closure. Mr. Chapdelaine stated that there will be a public forum for the Bus Rapid Transit on Wednesday night at 7p.m. Town Hall Auditorium.

Mr. Greeley stated that last Sunday evening he was the MC for the Cyrus E. Dallin Fundraiser that was very successful. Mr. Greeley read aloud a Haiku about his move from Mystic Street to Russell Place he is pleased to be remaining in Arlington with his wife and family.

Mrs. Mahon stated that Algonquin Gas will be coming in every 7 years to Sunnyside Ave. Mrs. Mahon relayed some questions from the neighbors that they would like to be notified as well as the Town from the DCR when they will be doing the work and how the patching will be done. Mrs. Mahon stated that she would share the e-mails with the office to be forwarded to the Board including the Town Manager.

Mr. Hurd also invited people to the public forum regarding the Bus Rapid Pilot and see where we really are in the process.

Mr. Curro noted that the Youth Villages is closing their Arlington Campus; he did attend a neighborhood conversation. He stated that there were a lot of questions on what Youth Villages time table is or what their intent is for the property but he anticipated that there will be more questions.

Mr. Dunn stated that they started the process of interviewing candidates for a new Treasurer, the subcommittee met and reviewed resumes and then proceeded to first round interviews and have set up a callback list for second round interviews. Mr. Dunn noted that they have had around 25-30 applicants and 8 interviews for the first round and they are calling 3 back for the second round. Mr. Dunn reminded everyone to go out and vote on September 4th. He also wanted to remind the Board that this is their last meeting in the summer which means no more summer dress code!

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn.

SO VOTED (5-0)

A true record: Attest

Marie A. Krepelka

Board Administrator

Next Scheduled Meeting of BoS September 12, 2018

8/13/2018

Agenda Items	Documents Used
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3	For Approval: Plan for Signs in Heights Ali Carter, Economic Development Coordinator
4	For Approval: Creation of Affordable Housing Advisory Committee Jenny Raitt, Director of Planning and Community Development
5	Draft July 16, 2018
6	Requests to Reappoint, Meeting Notices
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