

Town of Arlington
Select Board
Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2019
7:15 PM

Select Board Chambers, 2nd Floor, Town Hall

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

PROCLAMATIONS

1. National Chiropractic Health Month
Mr. Dunn moved approval of said Proclamation. SO VOTED (5-0)

CONSENT AGENDA

2. Minutes of Meetings: September 23, 2019
3. Request: Special (One Day) Beer & Wine License, 10/13/19 @ Whittemore Robbins House for a Private Event
Paloma Canas
4. Request: Special (One Day) All Alcohol License, 10/17/19 @ Arlington Catholic High School for Arlington Food & Drink Festival
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Lauren Savoie/Rob Hilferty
6. Request: Special (One Day) Beer & Wine License, 10/26/19 @ Whittemore Robbins House and Park for Sandra Anne Foundation 2019 Oktoberfest
Bob Scheschareg
Mr. Curro moved approval subject to all conditions as set forth. SO VOTED (5-0)

APPOINTMENTS

7. Council on Aging
Patricia Baillieul (term to expire 6/30/2022)
Mr. Curro moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)
8. Human Rights Commission
Crystal Haynes (term to expire 6/30/2022)
Mr. Curro moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

LICENSES & PERMITS

9. For Approval: All Alcohol Package Store - BB Liquors
BB Powers Corporation, Niles K. Patel Owner/Manager, 1215 Massachusetts Avenue
Attorney Mary Winstanley O'Connor
(tabled from 9/9/19 meeting)

Mr. DeCoursey moved to table until the Select Board Meeting on October 28th.

SO VOTED (5-0)

CITIZENS 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.

Carey Theil, 11A Lakeview Street, wanted to thank the Board for putting his correspondence on the agenda regarding the traveling animal exhibit issue. Mr. Theil stated he would like to thank Mrs. Krepelka and Diane Welch, the fantastic ACO, who he had very productive conversations with. Mr. Theil would also like to thank the Board for taking the time to speak to him personally. Mr. Theil has deep concerns regarding the traveling animal exhibit coming to Arlington.

Christine Dorchak, Esq., 11A Lakeview Street, requested that the Board protect the town and also follow the humane inclinations of its citizens by never hiring Animal Craze again.

Lenard Diggins, 8 Windsor Street, spoke on behalf of Envision Arlington about the meeting on October 2nd where they had about 40-50 people attend with most being Town Meeting Members, to discuss Fall Precinct meetings with the goal of doing them twice a year. Precincts 1, 3 and 5 will have their meeting on October 28th from 6:30-8 at the Thompson School. Precincts 12 and 14 will meet November 6th at the Brackett School from 6:30-8. Mr. Diggins asked the Board for help with outreach and welcomed the Board to attend any of the meetings.

The following people appeared before the Board regarding Lieutenant Pedrini's employment status:

Pat Reilly, 6 Heard Road, Kim Kay Holt, 2 Orchard Place, Esther Kingston-Mann, 14 Peter Tufts Road, Maria Moyser, 1003 Massachusetts Avenue, Lynette Martyn, 18 Eustis Street, Shaileen Pokress, 51 Crosby Street, Reverend Marta Flanagan, First Parish Church, Lynette Culverhouse, 24 Draper Avenue, Laura Kiesel, 260 Massachusetts Avenue, Mary Fusoni, 94 Grandview Road, Stanley Pollack, 94 Grandview Road, Eli Gerzon, 224 Massachusetts Avenue, Beth Melofchick, 20 Russell Street, Sarah Glover, 139 Franklin Street, Betty Stone, 99 Harlow Street, Jordan Weinstein, 23 Lennon Road, Louise Popkin, 9 Cliff Street, Andy Oram, 38 High Haith Road, John Sanbonmatsu, 100 Varnum Street, Kasper Kasperian, 285 Renfrew Street, Robin Bergman, 320 Park Avenue, Michaiah Healy, 26 Howard Street, Rajeev Soneja, 13 Mary Street, Kathleen Lentz, 106 Newport Street, June Rutkowski, 128 Alpine Terrace, Kristin Martin, 48 Fairmont Street, Gwen Wong, 151 Lowell Street, Elizabeth Dray, 130 Jason Street.

The above named residents spoke against Mr. Chapdelaine's decision to not terminate Lt. Pedrini.

TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS / OTHER BUSINESS

- 10. Request to Sign Non-Binding Resolution in Support of 'An Act for Utility Transition to Using Renewable Energy (Future Act), H.2849/S.194
Bruce Moulton, Mothers Out Front
(postponed from 9/23/19 meeting)

Mr. DeCoursey recused himself from the discussion because he does some work in his professional capacity for National Grid.

Ms. Moulton summarized her presentation from the previous Select Board meeting. Arlington Mothers Out Front and Sustainable Arlington are writing to request that you adopt a non-binding resolution supporting the principles of The FUTURE Act, An Act For Utility Transition to Using Renewable Energy, H.2849, S.1940, sponsored by Representatives Lori Ehrlich and Christina A. Minicucci and Senator Cynthia S. Creem. It has over 50 co-sponsors, including Senator Cindy Friedman and Representatives Sean Garballey and David Rogers.

Mr. Curro moved approval.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Mr. DeCoursey abstained.

Mr. Dunn suggested the Board tread lightly when choosing what to endorse, in particular when it comes to specific Town Policies and Procedures or the way the Town should be running itself. Mr. Dunn has no problem weighing in on these matters, this one in particular is farther out than that but is comfortable supporting this specifically because of the endorsement of Town Meeting of very similar ideas. Mr. Dunn wanted to make clear why exactly he is supporting this resolution and maybe not other ones.

Mr. Curro and Mr. Hurd thanked Mothers Out Front for all their hard work and dedication to this matter.

- 11. For Approval: Traffic Rules & Orders
 - a) Move 'No Parking Here to Corner' Sign, Broadway @ Rawson Road;
 - b) Stop Signs on Washington Street @ Candia Street and Crawford Street;
 - c) 'Do Not Block Intersection' Sign, Chestnut Street @Chestnut TerraceOfficer Corey Rateau, Traffic and Parking Unit

Mr. Dunn moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

- 12. Discussion: Future Select Board Meetings, November 2019 - January 2020

November 4, 2019
November 18, 2019

December 2, 2019
December 9, 2019 (holding if needed to set tax rate)
December 16, 2019

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

13. Request Crosswalk from Prospect Avenue
Cheryl Mastrogiovanni via Request/Answer Center

Ms. Mastrogiovanni, 44 Prospect Avenue, requested that a crosswalk be added to ensure the safety of children walking to Dallin Elementary School from Prospect Avenue.

The Board referred Ms. Mastrogiovanni's request to the Town Manager for review and recommendation. SO VOTED (5-0)

14. Arlington Soccer Club Committed to \$250,000 Contribution for Turf Soccer Field Project
Dean Carman, Treasurer, Arlington Soccer Club

15. Celebration of Town's Commitment to Animal Welfare at Town Day 2020
Carey Theil, 11A Lake View Street

16. NSTAR Petition for Approval of 2016-2018 Energy Efficiency Three-Year Term Report
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Utilities

Mr. Curro moved receipt of "Correspondence Received." SO VOTED (5-0)

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Heim thanked Attorney General's Office Municipal Law Unit as well as the Town Clerk's Association for making sure there was an expedited review of the bylaws that were submitted a little later than scheduled. They're holding on to a couple that need further review but went ahead and approved others.

Mr. Chapdelaine mentioned this is his first meeting since traveling to our Sister City in Japan and wanted to thank the Board for the opportunity to travel. The people in Nagaokakyo cherish and value the relationship with Arlington.

Mr. Chapdelaine attended the ARB meeting to give the same presentation about housing that he presented to the Board over the summer. There is hope for productive dialogue over the course of the next year or so.

Mr. DeCoursey attended the ribbon cutting ceremony at the new Minuteman High School along with Town Manager, Adam Chapdelaine, and Select Board Member Curro. Mr. DeCoursey wanted to thank Mr. Dunn for his hard work on the new regional agreement over the years. Mr. DeCoursey and Mr. Chapdelaine have been talking about the water rates in the community where they have voted an increase over the summer. The new rates are available on the town's website and they're working to put something up on the website where residents can convert what they're receiving for bills every quarter to gallons just to have an idea of what their consumption is.

Mr. Dunn thanked Mr. DeCoursey for attending the Minuteman High School ribbon cutting and was sorry that he was unable to make it due to traveling.

Mr. Curro reported that Mr. Chapdelaine and himself met with Frank Ciano, a member of the Massachusetts Community Advisory Committee which deals with airplane noise in East Arlington. Mr. Kassaraba is Mr. Ciano's counterpart from Belmont and has done an incredible amount of analytical work. This group met to see if they could re-do the flight routes which hopefully will re-disperse some of the airplane routes that is not a concentrated impact for the residents of East Arlington. Mr. Ciano and others will be working to pull together a recommendation on what the top few options that would be most advantageous to the town.

Mr. Hurd wanted to thank the Fire Department and the Firefighters Union for a tier one event that they had a few weeks ago at the Burlington Marriot. It was a great honor for Chief Jefferson and the three other retirees. Mr. Hurd also noted that he ran in the 5k on Sunday and wanted to thank the Police Department for keeping the route secure and the DPW for doing a great job cleaning up after the event.

Mr. Dunn noted that he has spoken with multiple residents in regards to the order of the Town Meeting Warrant and requests the Chair to open the warrant at a future meeting. At the same meeting put a second agenda item where they talk about the warrant and would like to invite the Town Moderator, Finance Committee Chair, and the ARB Chair, who are not required but if they wish to weigh in. Mr. Dunn recommends that the order of articles in the Warrant should be generally Select Board Articles, Zoning Articles, Finance Articles with flexibility in that order.

Mrs. Mahon is looking forward to potentially changing the order of the Warrant.

Mr. Curro moved to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. SO VOTED (5-0)

Next Scheduled Meeting of Select Board October 28, 2019

A true record attest:

Marie A. Krepelka
Board Administrator

10/7/19

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