

BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016

In attendance: J. Thomas Hurley, David T. Burnes, Kathleen M. Conlon, Annemarie Fagan, Town Administrator, Emily R. Martin, Executive Secretary

1. Chairman J. Thomas Hurley convened the meeting at 7:04 p.m. in the Cronin Conference Room in the Town Hall.
2. Planning Board Chair Emily Keys Innes provided the Board with an update regarding one of the Planning Board's proposed articles for the February 8, 2016 Special Town Meeting (relating to landscape business use). Ms. Innes informed the board that there was a change the Planning Board wanted to propose, and as it is within the scope of the article it intends to put the change forth as a recommendation to the Warrant Committee for consideration. This action has been supported by Town Counsel John Flynn.
3. The Board confirmed January 12, January 19 and January 26, 2016.
4. David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve the current payroll and vendor warrants.
5. Veronica McCarthy of 6 Hillcrest Road spoke to the Board to voice her support for Chairman Hurley and Town Administrator Fagan in the search for a new Police Chief. Ms. McCarthy noted she wants to see the integrity of the process upheld, and hopes the Board prevails.
6. The Board discussed plans for the search for a new Town Administrator. Town Administrator Annemarie Fagan had provided a packet detailing the previous search process in 2012. The Board weighed in on changes they want to make for the search including increasing the number of members on the search committee and qualifications they would like candidates to possess. The Board deferred the matter to the January 19, 2016 meeting.
7. Kathleen M. Conlon moved, David T. Burnes seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to appoint J. Thomas Hurley as the Board's voting delegate for the election of Directors for the Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association Property and Casualty Group.
8. David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve a One Day Liquor License for a fundraiser to be held on February 6, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Milton Art Center at 334 Edge Hill Road.
9. The matter on the agenda was the appointment of Trustees to the Other Post-Employment Benefits. Kathleen M. Conlon noted that the Trustees were previously appointed by virtue of the Board's approval of the Trust agreement. Town Administrator Fagan informed the Board she had spoken with Brian Fox of Murphy, Hesse, Toomey and

Lehane, who confirmed that the Trustees do not need to be specifically appointed as their appointment is written within the Trust.

10. David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to accept two grants from the Milton Woman's Club, one in the amount of \$9,000 for the Council on Aging and Milton Police Department to be used as specified in its December 20, 2015 award letter, and another in the amount of \$2,200 for the Milton Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition to be used as specified in its December 29, 2015 award letter.

The Board thanked the Woman's Club for their generous donations.

11. David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to accept a donation from the Beth Israel Deaconess Milton Hospital in the amount of \$7,500 for the Milton Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition.

The Board thanked BID-Milton for its generous donation.

12. The Board discussed the makeup of the Shade Tree Advisory Committee, noting that there has been an overwhelming number of experienced and qualified volunteers, and if there is additional interest the number of members can be discussed and increased again.

David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to increase the number of members of the Shade Tree Advisory Committee from five to seven.

13. David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to appoint Nancy Chisolm of 129 Gulliver Street, Carol Stocker of 291 Hillside Street, Jean Powers of 1372 Brush Hill Road and Peggy Cho of 690 Brook Road to the Shade Tree Advisory Committee to serve through November 2016.

14. Town Administrator Annemarie Fagan announced the closing date for the May 2016 Annual Town Meeting is January 14, 2016 at 5:00 p.m., and reviewed articles the Board had discussed at its September 1, 2015 meeting.

15. J. Thomas Hurley reported on the cocktail reception held at Novara the prior Sunday evening, noting it had a great turnout. Chairman Hurley also reported that the Department of Conservation and Recreation had offered a one year extension on the lease of Ulin Rink through April 2017. Mr. Hurley informed the Board he was in communication with Curry College regarding the operation of the Rink.

16. David T. Burnes reported that The Plate had opened its East Milton location that day, noting it was bustling at lunchtime and congratulated Suzanne Lombardi in her venture.

Kathleen M. Conlon reported she had attended the Warrant Committee meeting the previous evening at the request of Alexander Whiteside of the Planning Board for the

presentation of the February 8, 2016 Special Town Meeting article regarding an amendment to the Central Avenue Planned Unit Development zoning.

17. The Board discussed having Financial Policies on its January 19, 2016 meeting agenda.
18. Attorney Marion McEttrick represented Abby Park and Novara for their entertainment license applications. Ms. McEttrick noted that there had been some miscommunication between the Town and her client, and that while Abby Park was looking to extend a current license, Novara hadn't intended to apply for this type of license yet. Kathleen M. Conlon noted that the Common Victualler license states "no live entertainment". Chairman Hurley noted the Common Victualler licenses should be amended to allow for the requested entertainment and make the licenses consistent, and suggested approving the entertainment licenses subject to amendment of the Common Victualler licenses.

David T. Burnes moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve an entertainment license, subject to amendment of the Common Victualler license, for jazz brunches and DJ entertainment for Abby Park at 550 Adams Street and Novara at 556B Adams Street.

19. Town Administrator Annemarie Fagan and Town Accountant Amy Dexter presented the FY2017 Non-Contingent budget, noting if an override is not passed then there is a \$1.4 million deficit. School Committee Chair Michael Zullas provided an explanation of what effect that type of shortfall would have on the schools. Edward Hays informed the Board he had stepped down from his post as Chair of the Warrant Committee, but provided insight as to how the underfunded budget shows the issue with lack of revenue and the need for an override to fully fund all Town departments.

The Board thanked Ms. Fagan, Ms. Dexter, and those involved with the presentation for their hard work.

20. J. Thomas Hurley moved, Kathleen M. Conlon seconded, and at 9:07 p.m. the Board voted unanimously, with Kathleen M. Conlon voting yes, David T. Burnes voting yes and J. Thomas Hurley voting yes to enter into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to Union Personnel and Non-Union Personnel, believing that having such discussions in Open Session would have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the Board, and to return to Open Session for the purpose of adjournment.
21. The meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.