

Selectmen's Meeting
Room 34, Town Hall

November 29, 2022
Meeting is Recorded

In Attendance: Chairman William Plasko, Vice Chairman Helen Abdallah-Donohue, Selectman Amanda Grow, Selectman Matt Lane, Selectman Robert Donnelly, General Manager Tony Mazzucco, Executive Assistant Jess Jozwik

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:30pm and began with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silent prayer or reflection.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Donnelly, the Board voted unanimously to enter executive session by roll call for Purpose 3. To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares;

- a) AFSCME Local Council 93
- b) Other

7:00 PM Public Hearing: Class II Auto Dealer, Ryder Vehicle Sales LLC

Application has been made to the Licensing Board of the Town of Norwood for a Class II Auto Dealer's License for Ryder Vehicle Sales, LLC, Michael Clemmey, Manager of Record, for a new Class II Auto Dealer License located at 776 Boston-Providence Turnpike, Norwood MA.

Attorney Christopher Alphen, and Eugene Tangney and Tim from Ryder joined the Board for this public hearing. They intend to house up to 173. There were comments from the public (Nicole Santora, 211 East Cross Street, Sallie Vlahos 14 Paula Road), concerned that the buffers required by the Planning Department are not yet erected and this would cause a nuisance in the neighborhood. Mr. Alphen confirmed that this establishment will comply with the site plan.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Donnelly, the Board voted unanimously to close the hearing. On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Donnelly, the Board voted unanimously to approve this license.

7:15 PM Public Hearing: Tax Levy

Public hearing concerning the percentages of fiscal 2023 tax levy to be borne by each class of property, in accordance with Chapter 40, Section 56, as amended by Chapter 369 of the Acts of 1982 and Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1983

Timothy McDonough, Michael Thornton, and James Grover joined the Board, and gave history of why they need to have this annual hearing, and answered the Board's questions regarding the Tax Rates and Tip Factor. They reviewed several options. There was no public comment. On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Donohue, the Board voted unanimously to close the public hearing.

On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously for a 1.71 tip factor.

Mr. McDonough also reminded the Board and the public about the Circle of Hope Luminary night on Saturday, December 3, 2022, on the Town Common.

Selectman Donnelly submitting notification of reviewed and approved Warrant reports that he signed. On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to file this information.

On motion of Selectman Lane, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2022 meeting as submitted.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request to hold the annual Menorah Lighting on the Town Common on the evening (6:00pm until 8:00pm) of Sunday December 18, 2022 and to display the Menorah on the Town Common from December 16, 2022 until December 26, 2022. This lighting is dedicated to the memory of Aaron Greenfield.

On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request to display the nativity scene on the lawn of the Morse House, 1265 Washington Street, for the Holiday Season.

On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request from Irish Brewing Boston for a one day wine and malt beverages license for a pop up tasting room bar/coffee at Shiplap and Chandeliers at 61 Endicott Street, on Saturday, December 17, 2022 from 10:00am until 8:00pm, with approximately 200 guests expected throughout that time.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Donnelly, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request from the Norwood Portuguese Club for a one day beer and wine license for a party on December 31, 2022, from 6:00pm until 2:00am at their location on 1090 Washington Street, with 75 people expected.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to approve the request to allow the annual Wreaths Across America event on Saturday, December 17, 2022, beginning at 12:00pm at the Highland and Old Parish Cemeteries, placing donated wreaths at the resting places of veterans.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Donnelly, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Street Acceptances as follows:

Orders of Taking for signatures of the Board for each street listed below, as accepted at Town Meeting on November 14, 2022:

- Katie's Way
- Ivy Circle
- Silver Street
- King's Road
- Lancelot Court
- Power Lane

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to approve the final negotiated license agreement and stamped plan from Boston Gas for 1170 Washington Street.

On motion of Selectman Donohue, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to approve the following cemetery deeds:

- Helena Boccadoro, of 102 Eliot St Ashland, for Lot C3-205
- Janice M Slade, of 5D Top Flight Drive Norton, for Lot C3-204
- Gino Tropeano, of 48 Magnolia Way Bridgewater, for Lot C3-209

On motion of Selectman Lane, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to ratify General Manager's appointment of Shiri Ronen-Attia to the Commission on Disability.

On motion of Selectman Lane, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Proposed Ambulance Rate Increase.

On motion of Selectman Lane, seconded by Selectman Grow, the Board voted unanimously to file the following memoranda:

1. Verizon Notification
Submitting PEG Grant information for third quarter 2022
2. Comcast/Xfinity Notification
Submitting price change information
3. Middle School Building Authority Notification
Submitting notification of 60% CD Submission
4. Ro-Jo Notice of Completion of Phase IV Activities
Carriage House Consulting Inc submitting information

5. Police Monthly Report

Submitting monthly report for October, 2022 and a letter of commendation

General Manager Tony Mazzucco reminded the Board about an executive session remote meeting to be held on Friday, and complimented the Recreation Department on a great Holiday Extravaganza.

Selectman Lane thanked the recreation department, and is on the committee to search for a new Recreation Director, and that search is going well.

Selectman Grow had a conversation with an energy advocate, and encourages people to call 781-536- 9864, if they have questions, as that is the energy information hotline.

Selectman Donnelly spoke about advocating for the bill for Chief Hayes, an MSBC meeting tomorrow, and reminded the public about the last 150th anniversary event, a concert on December 8, 2022 at 7:30.

Selectman Donohue again spoke about the Circle of Hope Luminary night and the Concert from the 150th Committee, and spoke about access to the Morse House.

On motion of Selectman Donnelly, seconded by Selectman Lane, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

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ATTEST: _____
Executive Assistant