



BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

HYBRID MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023

6:30 PM

Selectmen's Chambers

566 Washington Street

BOARD PRESENT: Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, Robert Donnelly, William Plasko, and Michael Saad

BOARD ABSENT: Robert Donnelly

RECORDING SECRETARY:

1. Warrant Signature Update

Submitting notification of reviewed and approved Warrant Reports, signed by the Board's representative.

Motion to File

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Michael Saad

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

2. Meeting Minutes for approval of the Board

Submitting meeting minutes for 7/18/23 and 9/12/23.

Table this for the next meeting

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Amanda Grow

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

3. Appointments

3.1. 6:30pm Joint Meeting with the Economic Development Committee

The Economic Development Committee will join the Board of Selectmen to discuss FM Global's Tax Increment Financing request and Amendment to the 2011 TIF agreement.

Carried

The Board was joined by Joe Collins, Economic Development Director, Steve Rosen, representing FM Global, and Steve Costello, Economic Development Committee Chairman.

Steve Rosen gave an introduction to FM Global, and their intention to build a world-class research facility in Norwood, detailing the project. The proposed building would have labs and offices, and be a "crown jewel" of their business. This will bring additional jobs to Norwood.

Steve Costello spoke about the Economic Development Committee (an advisory committee) and what a TIF is, how it will impact taxes, and how this company has been committed to Norwood for almost 75 years. This TIF appears to be in line with similar TIFs in Norwood. The final TIF agreement is under review. After much discussion and debate, the EDC unanimously recommends the proposed TIF.

The Board asked a few questions.

Motion to accept the recommendation from the Economic Development Committee and support the TIF.

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Amanda Grow

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

3.2. **6:45 Washington Street Development**

For Discussion, seeking support of the Board.

Carried

David Hern Jr, attorney, and Matt McDonald, prospective developer, joined the Board with their plans to propose an 8 unit, 2 story building at 1223 Washington Street. Originally this plan went before the planning board with approval, but there were some complexities in variances. This would be a "friendly 40B". Sarah Dixon, Planning Director, explained the history and how the applicant accommodated neighborhood concerns. After some discussion the Board agreed to tentatively support this project.

Motion to tentatively support and draft a letter for approval at the next meeting, to be sent to the state in support of this project

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Amanda Grow

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

3.3. **7:00 Public Hearing: Castle Island Alteration of Premises**

Application has been made to the Licensing Board of the Town of Norwood for an Alteration of

Premises for Castle Island Brewing Company, LLC, DBA Castle Island Brewing Company, Manager of Record, Adam Romanow, under Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, for a Farmer Winery and Farmer Brewing Pouring Permit to allow for pouring of beer and wine within the same area on the premises of 31 Astor Avenue, Norwood, Massachusetts.

Adam Romanow and Lauren Horgan came and explained the need for this license. There are no changes, just allowing overlap of beer and wine service administratively, per the rules of the ABCC.

An attorney representing David Spiegel, an abutter, who complained about recurring parking issues. Castle Island does not wish to become involved in a lease agreement. They will put effort into curbing illegal parking, starting with putting out a sawhorse to discourage parking on Spiegel's property, and perhaps a parking lot monitor if that does not work.

Motion to close the hearing

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Michael Saad

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

Motion to approve the amended license.

Moved by: Michael Saad

Seconded by: William Plasko

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

3.4. **7:15 Norwood Cultural Council Resignation and Appointments**

Resignation announcement and interviews for potential Norwood Cultural Council applicants.

Lynda Bassett spoke about her history as an artist and writer in Norwood, and her community participation.

Samuel Gossner was unable to make it.

The Board will interview other candidates and make a decision at an upcoming meeting.

4. New Business

4.1. Warrant Articles Due for November Town Meeting

For Discussion

Motion to table these articles to be reviewed at the next meeting.

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Michael Saad

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

Mr. Mazzucco reviewed the Town Meeting Warrant articles.

4.2. One Day Liquor Permit: 22 Mohawks (RECINDED)

Submitting request from 22 Mohawks for a one-day liquor permit for Saturday, September 30, 2023, for their fundraising event outside of 92 Central Street from 12:00pm until 5:00pm with 100+ guests expected

This item was withdrawn by the applicant.

4.3. **One Day Liquor Permit: Hometown Arcade**

Submitting request from Hometown Arcade for a one-day liquor permit for Friday, September 29, 2023 for a fundraising event to benefit Westwood Downey School PTO event from 6:00pm until 11:00pm at 61 Endicott Street, with 30 guests expected.

Motion to approve

Moved by: Michael Saad

Seconded by: Amanda Grow

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

4.4. **Park Use Request: DAV Park for Troop 49**

Submitting request from Boy Scout Troop 49 to use Disabled American Veteran's Park for an overnight camping activity from Saturday, October 21, 2023 at 3:00pm until Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 11:00. There would be tent camping with approx. 10-12 scouts and 3-5 adults.

Motion to approve

Moved by: Michael Saad

Seconded by: Amanda Grow

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

4.5. **Road Closure Request Reschedule: Alpine Road Block Party**

Submitting request from Valerie Hill of Alpine Road to change the date of her block party to Saturday, October 7, 2023, from 3:00pm until 6:00pm due to weather concerns.

Motion to approve

Moved by: Amanda Grow

Seconded by: Michael Saad

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

4.6. **Junk License Request: Buzz Buzz Creatives**

Submitting request from Jennifer Moran for Buzz Buzz Creatives for a Junk Dealer's license to sell upcycled furniture at 61 Endicott Street, Building 23, unit 103.

Jennifer Moran for Buzz Buzz Creatives came before the Board and explained what her business is- a combination of handmade and secondhand vintage items and upcycled items.

Motion to approve this license request.

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Michael Saad

Carried

4.7. **Bench Donation: Hawes Ponds and Endean Park**

Submitting request from Community Development to accept a donation from resident Gail Curley to the Norwood Conservation Commission for the purpose of a memorial bench and native tree plantings around the Hawes Ponds and playground at Endean Park.

Motion to accept this donation in accordance with chapter 44 53 A with thanks

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Amanda Grow

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

4.8. **DCD Change of DBA**

DCD Assistant Controller Amadou Kaba submitting request to change the DBA for Boch Nissan Norwood to Nucar Nissan of Norwood, Boch Chevrolet to Nucar Chevrolet of Norwood, Boch Hyundai to Nucar Hyundai of Norwood, Boch Honda to Nucar Honda of Norwood and Boch Toyota to Nucar Toyota of Norwood.

Alan B. Almeida, attorney representing the applicant, and Tim McGilvray of DCD came before the Board to request their changed be approved.

Motion to approve the amendments

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Michael Saad

Carried

4.9. **Boch Fund Award distribution**

Announcement of the distribution of the Boch Fund.

Chairman Lane will have the recipients of the Boch Fund awards posted soon.

4.10. **Morse House Committee Resignation**

Mr. Steve Keefe stepping down from the Morse House Committee.

Motion to accept his resignation with regrets

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Amanda Grow

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

Mr. Steve Keefe is stepping down from the Morse House Committee and Mr. Plasko and the Morse House committee wish to delay the replacement until the next phase. The Board agreed.

4.11. **PARC Grant Authorization**

Submitting for Board authorization

Motion to authorize the manager to sign

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Michael Saad

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

4.12. **Deeds**

For signature of the Board:

Jonathan Oakes of 718 Rathbun St. Blackstone, MA for Lot No:
G6-119

Jean Calautti of 97 Sutherland Rd. N. Attleboro, MA for Lot No.
V-182

Stephanie Bonica of 125 Cottage St. Unit F for Lot No: G6-112

Motion to sign.

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Amanda Grow

5. Memoranda

Motion to file Memoranda 5.1-5.3

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Amanda Grow

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

5.1. **Bylaw Changes:**

Town Clerk Mary Lou Folan submitting a copy of the amendment to the Norwood Town By-Laws Article 12- that was voted at the Special Town Meeting on May 8, 2023 and was approved by the Attorney General on August 18, 2023.

5.2. **Comcast:**

Submitting renewal filing fee and a change in programming.

5.3. **ABCC Approval: Lewis'**

ABCC notification of approval of Lewis' Change of Officers/Directors, Issuance/Transfer of Stock/New Stockholder and Pledge of Collateral.

6. Manager's Update

Mr. Mazzucco made some clarifications about the TIF agreement with FM Global.

7. Selectmen's Addenda

Selectman Saad spoke about trucks that were running on the cul-de-sac near Vanderbilt ave. He spoke about the upcoming fishing derby.

Selectman Grow reminded the Board and citizens about this Saturday's plant walk at the food forest. She also reminded about the pumpkin fest at the October 10 Farmers market

Selectman Plasko reported that Mrs. Betty Curran recently passed away.

Chairman Lane reminded the public about the Local 1631's screening of the film "Burn", which will be at the high school on Wednesday, October 4, 2023.

Motion to adjourn

Moved by: William Plasko

Seconded by: Amanda Grow

Aye Amanda Grow, Matthew Lane, William Plasko,
and Michael Saad

Carried 4-0

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