



TOWN OF ROCKLAND

Select Board
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Chair:
Tiffanie Needham
Vice Chair:
Lori Childs

Members:
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Select Board Open Session Minutes of
April 15, 2025

Select Board Meeting
H. Bernard Monahan Memorial Room
Town Hall, 242 Union Street, Rockland

In attendance: Chair Tiffanie Needham, Vice Chair Lori Childs, Members Michael O'Loughlin, John Ellard, Steven O'Donnell, Assistant Town Administrator Courtney Bjorgaard, and Town Administrator Doug Lapp.

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Community Announcements- Community Cleanup Day 4/26/25; Annual Town Meeting 5/5/2025; Community Yard Sale 5/10/25

3. Minutes-4/1/25

MOTION to approve the minutes of 4/1/25, by Mr. O'Loughlin, 2nd by Ms. Childs. 4-1, O'Donnell abstained

4. New Business

-Appointment to Cultural Council – Michelle Frawley

MOTION to approve the appointment of Michelle Frawley to the Cultural Council, by Mr. O'Loughlin, 2nd by Ms. Childs. Unanimous approval.

-Reappointment to Old Colony Elder Services Board of Directors – Victoria Deibel – contingent on Council on Aging approval.

MOTION to approve the reappointment of Victoria Deibel to the Old Colony Elder Services Board of Directors contingent on the COA approval, by Mr. O'Loughlin, 2nd by Mr. Ellard. 4-1, Childs abstained.

-One Day Liquor License – 4th Floor Artist, Sandpaper Factory, 83 East Water Street, 4/26/25-4/27/25, 12:00pm-5:00pm

MOTION to approve One Day Liquor License – 4th Floor Artist, Sandpaper Factory, 4/26/25-4/27/25 by Mr. O'Loughlin, 2nd by Ms. Childs. Unanimous approval.

-Request to Hold Memorial Day Observance on Monday 5/26/25

MOTION to approve the Memorial Day Observance Veterans Memorial, Monday 5/26/25, by Mr. O'Loughlin, 2nd by Ms. Childs. Unanimous approval.

-Other New Business Not Reasonably Anticipated –none

5. Old Business –

-FY26 Budget –Mr. Lapp said there are no budget changes.

- Annual & Special Town Meeting Warrant –Mr. Lapp gave a brief review of the final warrant and Board members commented. Charter Review Committee member Karen Ripley explained the recommended charter changes, and the Board discussed.

MOTION to vote on the 5/5/25 STM/ATM Town Warrant, by Mr. O'Loughlin, 2nd by Ms. Childs. 3-2 (Ellard & O'Donnell)

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-Regional MWRA Water Supply Update- Mr. Lapp provided an update on the Regional Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Water Supply and said he will continue to keep the Board informed.

-Other Old Business Not Reasonably Anticipated –none

6. Select Board Liaison Update(s)-none

7. Town Administrators Report & Correspondence

-Charter Committee outreach meetings-Tuesday 4/22 – 2:30 at COA & 7:00 at High School

- SHI Hockey Tournament at the Lovell Arena 4/26-4/27

-Town Hall closed Good Friday 4/18 @ noon and Patriots Day Monday 4/21

8.Select Board Comments

Mr. O'Donnell- Congratulated Lori & thanked Mary Parsons and Jackie Tiesio

-Read a statement thanking Town voters for trusting in him

Mr. Ellard-Thanked Mary & Jackie for stepping up

-Congratulated Steve & Lori

Mr. O'Loughlin-Welcome Steve to the Board & welcome back to Lori

-Great job to Mary & Jackie for stepping up

-Looks forward to future meetings where the Board discusses, agrees or disagrees and continues to keep the residents informed

Ms. Childs-Congratulations to Steve

-Well run campaign by Mary & Jackie

-We have a Board in place to move the Town forward

-Finance Committee needs members

-Thank you to the residents

Ms. Needham--Congratulated Steve & Lori

-Commend Mary Parsons and Jackie Tiesio for getting involved

-Attended 3rd & 4th grade concert at Phelps School – great time and a joy to watch

MOTION to adjourn, by Mr. O'Loughlin, 2nd by Ms. Childs. Unanimous approval.

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Minutes by Susan Ide, Executive Assistant

Open Session Minutes approved by the BOS on 5/6/25