



TOWN OF ROCKLAND

Board of Selectmen
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BOS Open Session Minutes of
June 7, 2022

Board of Selectmen's Meeting
Joint Meeting with Board of Sewer Commissioners
H. Bernard Monahan Memorial Room
Town Hall, 242 Union Street

In attendance: Chairman Michael O'Loughlin, Vice Chairman Kara Nyman, Members Tiffanie Needham, Lori Childs, Town Administrator Doug Lapp, Assistant Town Administrator Jen Constable, Highway Superintendent Dave Taylor.

Not in attendance: Member Donna Shortall

1. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Community Announcements –

-Troop 57 Scout Matt Rogers requested permission move forward with his Eagle Scout project to make a sign for the Spring Street Cemetery (Abiah Reed Cemetery) and to fix some of the broken headstones.

MOTION to approve, by Ms. Nyman, 2nd by Ms. Needham. Unanimous approval

-Rockland Day, June 17&18 – John Lucas updated the Board of events & times

-Annual Rockland Races Mondays July 11 – August 22, 6:00pm – 7:30pm @ Bicentennial Park

3. Minutes-Open Session Minutes of May 17, 2022

MOTION to approve the Minutes of May 17, 2022, by Ms. Childs, 2nd by Ms. Needham. 3-0 Ms. Nyman abstained.

4. New Business –

-Proposed "Rockland Pride Committee" – Susan Tasker announced a new group, "Rockland Pride", formed to support the LBGTQ plus community and to educate residents. Founder Megan Fountaine and Member Chris Landy provided a brief overview of the group, including their "Mission Statement". The Board thanked the group for their hard work and stated it will be great for the community.

-National Grid – Installation of Gas Pipe at Dyer Street- National Grid Representative Mary Mulrone requested the Boards consent to install & maintain gas lines on S. Douglas and Dyer Streets - contingent that all Town fees are paid and up to date.

MOTION to approve National Grids request as stated, by Ms. Nyman, 2nd by Ms. Childs. Unanimous approval

-One-Day Liquor License Requests – Farmers Market-10th District Brewing Co.-Aug. 8th and Independent Fermentations Brewing, LLC-July 23rd

MOTION to approve Farmers Market One Day Liquor Licenses as listed, by Ms. Needham, 2nd by Ms. Nyman. Unanimous approval

-One-Day Liquor License Request – South Shore Cocktails, LLC at South Shore Chamber of Commerce Event, June 16th from 4:00pm – 7:00pm – Erica Mikolay-Dougherty

MOTION to approve One Day Liquor License for South Shore Cocktails, LLC., by Ms. Nyman, 2nd by Ms. Childs. Unanimous approval

-One-Day Liquor License Request – Rockland Day, June 18th - Article Fifteen Brewing, LLC

MOTION to approve One Day Liquor License for Article Fifteen Brewing, LLC., by Ms. Nyman, 2nd by Childs. Unanimous approval

-On Premises Pouring Permit – Article Fifteen Brewing, LLC, 406 VFW Drive -Owner Leo Reardon gave an overview of Article Fifteen Brewery and said, as a Rockland resident, he is happy to move his business from Weymouth to Rockland.

MOTION to approve On Premises Pouring Permit – Article Fifteen Brewing, LLC., by Ms. Nyman, 2nd by Ms. Childs. Unanimous approval

-Grant Agreement for CPA Project at Copley Garden, 105 Market Street -Mr. Lapp emphasized the CPA funds for the grant were approved at Town Meeting and will be used for specific projects at Copley Garden. The agreement is executed by the Board, CPA, and Neighborhood Housing.

Other New Business Not Reasonably Anticipated – none

5. Old Business-

-Annual Re-Appointments- Mr. O’Loughlin read the re-appointments into record. He postponed the new Charter Review Committee application until a later date.

MOTION to approve the Reappointments as presented, by Ms. Childs, 2nd by Ms. Needham. Unanimous approval.

SS VoTech Rockland Representative Bob Mahoney provided a brief update on the great things that are happening at SS VoTech and thanked the Board for his reappointment.

- MassWorks Grant Application Update – Mr. Lapp said a request to the state for a “roughly” one million dollar MassWorks grant has been successfully submitted. Ms. Constable and Mr. Taylor, with the engineers, have put the application together working closely with AW Perry and the Union Point master developers – there will be no taxpayer funding. The Board commented and thanked Mr. Lapp.

Other Old Business Not Reasonably Anticipated – none

6. Town Administrator’s Report & Correspondence

- McCarthy Farm reimbursement has been submitted and received by the State

-Attended the MMA Spring Conference last week

-Union negotiations moving forward

-New Town Accountant Scott Curtis started on Monday June 6

-Initial interviews for the COA Director are complete and recommends the Board conduct their interviews at the next meeting, June 21

7. Selectmen’s Comments

Ms. Childs-no comments

Ms. Needham -Congratulations to the Class of 2022

Ms. Nyman- Congratulations to the Class of 2022

Mr. O'Loughlin- Acknowledged Veteran Agent Tim White and Asst. Steve Joyce on the Memorial Day Observances – well attended

- Thank you to the School Department for the invitation to attend the Elementary School's Memorial Day observation with guest speaker/singer Trooper Dan Clark
- Condolences to the Fritz family on the passing of Bob – wonderful man

MOTION to adjourn to Joint Executive Session Board of Sewer Commissioners to:

- Per M.G.L. c.30A, §21 (a)(3) – to discuss strategy with respect to potential litigation that is demonstrably likely.
- Per M.G.L. c.30A, §21 (a)(6) – To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property Map 24, Lot 26.

Sewer Commissioner Chuck Heshion interrupted Chairman O'Loughlin. Mr. O'Loughlin stated there is potential litigation and asked Mr. Lapp to bring in Attorney Galvin and then he continued to obtain a motion to adjourn Open Session, not to reconvene,

by Ms. Nyman, 2nd by Ms. Childs, Roll Call Vote.



Minutes by Susan Ide, Executive Assistant

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Open Session Minutes approved by the BOS on 6/21/22