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Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 4, 2018
Town Hall, Room 201
(This public meeting was recorded.)

Present:

Armand Diarbekirian, Selectman
Chris DiSilva, Chairman/Selectman
David Gavin, Selectman
Melissa Levine-Piro, Clerk/Selectman

Justine St. John, Selectman
Gregory W. Johnson, Town Administrator
Becky Mosca, Administrative Assistant

1. Meeting Opening

A. Mr. DiSilva called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

B. Public Comments

- a) Chris DiSilva provided the following comments: During our last meeting on Tuesday, November 27, 2018, I allowed my personal frustration with a select few people within a specific social media group to get the better of me, and referred to that group as clowns. This was obviously an unacceptable behavior and a poor choice of words on my part. Tonight I wish to offer my apologies to my fellow board members, and to anyone else offended by my choice of words. You can all rest assured this is not a behavior that will be repeated going forward. Thank you, Chris DiSilva.
- b) Vic Tomy, resident Powder Mill Road, commented regarding the recent contract that was signed with both Comcast and Verizon, and that he finds it funny that he now sees price hikes from both companies.

2. Fire Department

Assistant Town Clerk, Diane Donovan assisted Fire Department Chief Stowers, as appointing authority, in swearing-in the following:

Michael Parr, Captain
John King, is being re-instated as Captain

New Fire Fighters
Dan Gould
Justin Aubert

3. Central Middlesex Emergency Response Association (CMERA) Information

Chief Stowers gave board some background on the Central Middlesex Emergency Response Association contract. Currently two towns are no longer in this group. The effect of this membership change has made a small impact on the fees along with the rising costs of running the program.

4. Correspondence

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. Levine-Piro to accept the list of thirteen (A thru M) Correspondence items, as presented.

- A. Notice to All CMERA Communities
- B. Letter from the Town of Concord Select Board – Powder Mill Place Comprehensive Permit
- C. Notice from Comcast price changes
- D. Xfinity Changes
- E. Notice letter Outreach Meeting for Third Party Transport/Security proposed Marijuana
- F. Legal Notice Outreach Meeting for Marijuana Nov. 29, 2018 Greenstar Herbals
- G. Notice to MAPC Breakfast Kick-off for next round of regional planning
- H. Notice from the Maynard Community Band – Free Holiday concert
- I. Artspace Holiday Sale and Auction
- J. Boards – Commission – Committee Open Vacancies
- K. Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (PERAC) Required FY2020 Appropriation
- L. Maynard Golf Course 2018 Town Report
- M. Town of Maynard Management Letter Year Ended June 30, 2018

Mr. Gavin asked about correspondence (L), and when we would have the Maynard Golf Course management back to a meeting with the board. Mr. Johnson indicated that in February, the golf course is scheduled for an audit that may result in a meeting with the board.

Mr. DiSilva commented on correspondence (B), the letter from the Town of Concord and that Concord is now concerned with traffic on route 62 in Concord.

Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

5. Acceptance of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Mr. Diarbekirian to accept and approve the November 20, 2018 Meeting Minutes, as presented. Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

6. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. Levine-Piro to accept and approve the list of one Consent Agenda item A, as presented:

- A. Liquor, Common Victualler, Class II, Entertainment, Carry-in, Lodging/Rooming House, Automatic Amusement, License renewals

Mr. Gavin asked if all the licensees had paid for their new 2019 licenses. Ms. Mosca indicated that at this time 50% of the license holders have paid for their 2019 licenses. No license will be given out unless it is paid and has completed paperwork.

Voted: Motion carried unanimously.

7. Request for One-Hour extension on New Year's Eve.

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. St. John to accept and approve the One-Hour extension to the closing time at the Maynard Lodge of Elks for New Year's Eve December 31, 2018 into January 1, 2019 until 2:00 am.

Flo Huminik, Manager at the Maynard Lodge of Elks said they have a booking for New Year's Eve. She thinks the extra time will help to get everyone out before 1:30 am and that 2:00 am will be the final closing time.

Voted: Motion carried unanimously.

8. Interview candidates for open Commissions

Kaitlyn Young, Conservation Agent attended the meeting along with a new candidate for Conservation Commission, Laura Mattei, resident of Maynard.

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. St. John to appoint Laura Mattei to the Conservation Commission with a term expiring June 30, 2019.

Mr. Gavin asked if Ms. Mattei had attended any of the meetings here in Maynard with Conservation Commission. Ms. Mattei said she had attended one meeting.

Ms. Levine-Piro commented that Ms. Mattei brings many skills to the commission and we thank you for that skill set.

Voted: Motion carried unanimously.

New candidate for Historical Commission John Brandon.

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Ms. Levine-Piro to appoint John Brandon to the Historical Commission as an alternate with a term expiring June 30, 2021.

New candidate for the Historical Commission John Brandon gave some background on his past. He grew up in Sudbury, MA. He did an internship here at Town Hall more than 10 years ago, and then went off to college and law school. He had jobs in Virginia, and now works in Boston at a law firm. Has a 100-year-old house here in Maynard and loves it. He thinks we have a very good historical website for folks to use.

Voted: Motion carried unanimously.

9. Discussion for next Host Community Agreement

(Board asked to table until the presentation on December 18, 2018).

10. Continue discussions on Local Initiative Program (L.I.P.) Powder Mill Place Project

Board agreed on many of the following points and asked Mr. Johnson to send a list to Mr. Costa, Town Counsel, for him to draft a new memorandum of agreement to submit to Mr. Kahn, the representative for the developer.

- 35 feet max height on the buildings in Maynard.
- The same proportional dimensions for units as stated in the amended Local Initiative Program.
- Compliance to the town's Complete Streets Policy, including crosswalks and Streetlights.
- To use Acton's water and sewer with no split buildings for the entire site.

11. Town Administrator Report

Mr. Johnson added that after attending this year's Sip & Stroll he received comments that this was the largest crowd to date.

12. Chairman's Report

Mr. DiSilva asked about the progress for the new gateway into Maynard on Route 27. He asked to know if this would have any type of lights added to the sign. He also received a letter that references Massachusetts General Law (M.G.L.) 115L. Section 9 Veterans graves. He asked if we can follow up with DPW regarding this law and to make sure we are following this law. He asked Ms. Mosca, since our last holder of the Boston Post Cane has passed, if anyone is working on this and if we have any time line when the next recipient will be acknowledged. Ms. Mosca said our Historical Society is working on this and will make a recommendation soon.

13. Board Member Reports

Ms. Levine- Piro thanked everyone on the Sip & Stroll event. She will not be at this year's Christmas parade as she has a family event that night.

Ms. St. John, the Sip & Stroll was a fun event along with many other events in town over the past weekend. In addition, the improvements to the sidewalks here in Maynard on Summer Street are nice to see. She knows it is a small step but it is good to see improvements made. She will not be at the Christmas Parade as she will be at the WAVM - Beacon Santa Telethon.

Mr. Gavin wanted to know if the Town had received any feedback on the sidewalks on Summer Street.

Mr. DiSilva had received feedback on the sidewalks. A few residents have built on town land unknowingly and those areas have been removed or addressed.

Mr. Gavin commented that for over 40 years the students of Maynard High School and WAVM have done the telethon and raised money for the community. He thanked all the students, parents the school and the community for all their efforts. He asked what happened to the big flag at Maynard High School Alumni field. Mr. Johnson said he would find out.

Mr. Diarbekirian thanked all the sponsors for the Sip & Stroll tree lighting. That is a great event for our town. In addition, recently he was asked to be part of a focus group at Maynard High

School. The group is made up of staff, business people and past alumni. There was a career day with students at the High School. He thanked Board for the progress made on the Powder Mill Place project. He received a letter from resident asking to close the downtown area for the next Sip & Stroll. The board does not think we need to close the streets for this event.

14. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. DiSilva and seconded by Mr. Gavin to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Voted: *Motion carried unanimously.*

Approved: 7:05 pm
Date:



Melissa Levine-Piro, Clerk/Selectman

Initials: bjm