

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
April 13, 2009

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Rollins with all Selectmen present.

446: VOTE: Reorganization of Board of Selectmen

Selectman Zenkin moved to nominate Selectman Patuto to Chairman. Seconded by Selectman Gianino and unanimously voted. (5-0)

Selectman Rollins moved to nominate Selectman Zenkin to Vice-Chair. Seconded by Selectman Gianino and unanimously voted. (5-0)

Selectman DiTucci thanked the voters for their support, vote of confidence and vote of trust. Chairman Patuto thanked all who supported his campaign and thanked the voters for their vote of confidence.

447: CITIZENS' TIME:

No one spoke at Citizens' Time.

448: ACKNOWLEDGE: Massachusetts Fire Academy
Firefighter Craig Callahan

Fire Chief Callahan reintroduced his newest Firefighter Craig Callahan who graduated from the Massachusetts Fire Academy in March.

449: APPROVAL: 6th Annual Alcohol-Free Weekend
Town Common/May 1, 2009

Selectman Rollins read aloud the Proclamation and moved to approve the 6th Annual Alcohol-Free Weekend/Town Common/May 1, 2009. Seconded by Selectman DiTucci and unanimously voted. (5-0)

Charlie Franich, Co-Chair of the Drug and Alcohol Task Force, came before the BOS and thanked Chairman Patuto for his attendance at the meetings. He said he receives great support from the BOS and the School and Police Departments. The kick off ceremony will be on May 1st from 5:00pm-7:00pm.

450: PUBLIC HEARING: All Alcohol Violation
The Ginger Pad/Wayside Commons

A public hearing was held on the All Alcohol Violation/The Ginger Pad/Wayside Commons. Manager Christine Ko and the Director of Operations were present representing The Ginger Pad. There was no one present opposed to the presentation. Presented by Police Chief Hart on March 12, 2009 Sergeant Tom Browne and Detective Al Gagne conducted an alcohol compliance check and The Ginger Pad served alcohol to a minor. Selectman Rollins said this is the second violation in eight months and asked what they are doing to correct it. The Director of Operations said that employees have been instructed to card every one. Selectman Zenkin would like to amend the laws for multiple violations. Selectman Rollins moved to close the public hearing. Seconded by Selectman Zenkin and unanimously voted. Selectman Gianino moved to suspend the license for three days beginning April 20th. Seconded by Selectman Zenkin and unanimously voted. (5-0)

451: VOTE: Accommodating Accounts

Selectman Rollins moved to approve \$3,007,001 for the debt principle. Seconded by Selectman Zenkin and unanimously voted. (5-0)

Selectman Zenkin moved to approve \$1,137,500 with a 3.60% decrease for the debt interest. Seconded by Selectman Gianino and unanimously voted. (5-0)

Selectman Zenkin moved to approve \$5,993,783 with a 1.17% increase for the Middlesex Retirement Assessment. Seconded by Selectman Rollins and unanimously voted. (5-0)

Selectman Zenkin moved to approve \$166,000 with a 23.50% decrease for the BLINE. Seconded by Selectman Rollins. Resident Millie Nash expressed concern about only running two busses. She said the BLINE is such a small part of the budget and the other Departments in Town do not charge user fees. Selectmen Zenkin and Gianino are in favor of adding back the third bus. Selectman DiTucci recommended to support the two busses and review it again in six months to see if ridership increases. Selectman Gianino moved to amend to \$217,000 for local transportation. Seconded by Selectman Rollins with Selectman Zenkin, Selectman Patuto, Selectman Gianino and Selectman Rollins voting in favor and Selectman DiTucci opposed. (4-1)

452: VOTE: May Town Meeting Warrant
Draft 10-Year Capital Plan
Proposed Debt Schedule 2010
Trade Show Dates?

T.A. Mercier reviewed the 10 Year Capital Plan and the proposed Debt Schedule for 2010. The total for capital items is over \$100,000,000. The DPW has a number of requests for Highway, Water and Sewer, and sidewalks for the Cemetery. He highlighted a number of items that DPW Superintendent Sanchez felt was important for 2010 including the MITRE Link, parking improvements, sidewalks on South Bedford Street and granite curbing and fields replicated to coincide with the MITRE Link.

ARTICLE 5 Fund FY 2010 Capital Budget

10-1 DPW Traffic Light Inventory/PM

Selectman Gianino moved to approve \$18,000 for the Traffic Light Inventory/PM. Seconded by Selectman Zenkin and unanimously voted. (5-0)

10-2 DPW Water Line Leak Detection

Selectman Rollins moved to approve \$20,000 for Water Line Leak Detection. Seconded by Selectman Zenkin and unanimously voted. (5-0)

10-3 DPW Paint Filter Room

Selectman Zenkin moved to approve \$18,000 for the Paint Filter Room. Seconded by Selectman Rollins, with Selectman Zenkin, Selectman DiTucci, Selectman Patuto and Selectman Rollins voting in favor and Selectman Gianino opposed. (4-1)

ARTICLE 13 Ice Palace Parking Lot

This item is on hold.

ARTICLE 14 Chapter 90

Selectman Rollins moved to approve \$769,513 for Chapter 90. Seconded by Selectman Zenkin and unanimously voted. (5-0)

ARTICLE 15 Automated Water Meter Reading System

Selectman Rollins moved to approve \$1,500,000 for Automated Water Meter Reading System. Seconded by Selectman DiTucci with Selectman Gianino, Selectman Zenkin, Selectman Rollins and Selectman DiTucci voting in favor and Selectman Patuto opposed. (4-1)

ARTICLE 16 Terrace Hall FM Upgrade

Selectman Rollins moved to approve \$9,000 for the Terrace Hall FM Upgrade. Seconded by Selectman Gianino and unanimously voted. (5-0)

ARTICLE 17 Human Services Parking

Selectman Rollins moved to approve \$30,000 for the Human Services Parking. Seconded by Selectman Gianino and unanimously voted. (5-0)

ARTICLE 18 Town Common Sidewalk

Selectman Gianino moved to approve \$60,000 for the Town Common Sidewalk. Seconded by Selectman Zenkin with Selectman Patuto, Selectman Gianino, Selectman Rollins and Selectman Zenkin voting in favor and Selectman DiTucci opposed. (4-1)

ARTICLE 19 DPW/Two-Way Communication Radio Upgrade

This item is on hold.

ARTICLE 20 Street Sweeper

Selectman Rollins moved to approve \$160,000 for a Street Sweeper. Seconded by Selectman Zenkin and unanimously voted. (5-0)

ARTICLE 21 Sander Truck

This article is deferred until next year.

ARTICLE 22 Assessment Center for Police/Fire Chiefs

Selectman Gianino moved to approve \$30,000 for an Assessment Center for Police/Fire Chiefs. Seconded by Selectman DiTucci and unanimously voted. (5-0)

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456: APPROVAL: Minutes:
March 9, 2009 General Session
March 23, 2009 General Session

Selectman Gianino moved to approve the General Session Minutes of March 9, 2009. Seconded by Selectman Rollins with Selectman Patuto, Selectman Zenkin, Selectman Gianino and Selectman Rollins voting in favor and Selectman DiTucci abstaining. (4-0-1)

Selectman Gianino moved to approve the General Session Minutes of March 23, 2009. Seconded by Selectman Zenkin with Selectman Rollins, Selectman Patuto, Selectman Gianino and Selectman Zenkin voting in favor and Selectman DiTucci abstaining. (4-0-1)

Selectman Gianino moved the Board adjourn the meeting at 10:20pm. Seconded by Selectman Rollins and unanimously voted. (5-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Nichols
Recording Secretary