

Saugus Board of Selectmen
September 7, 2016

*****MEETING MINUTES*****

AGENDA
Saugus Board of Selectmen
September 7, 2016 at 7:30 PM
Town Hall Auditorium, 298 Central Street
Saugus, MA

Call to order.

Invited guests: Rumney Marsh Toastmasters Club #8431

Correspondence:

- 1.) Blessed Sacrament Church 100th Anniversary Committee re: request for Special 1 day Beer & Wine License.

Citizen's Comments

Continued Hearings: 0

Public Hearings: 0

Old Business: Tabled item: Annual review of fees set by the Selectmen

New Business: 0

Manager's Report: Appointments to the Historical Commission

Approval of minutes: August 17, 2016

Appointments: Conrad Temple re: request to be appointed constable.

Member's Comments:

Citizen's Comments

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The Saugus Board of Selectmen met on September 7, 2016 at 7:30 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 298 Central Street. Present: Selectmen Scott Brazis, Jeffrey Cicolini, Jennifer D'Eon, Mark Mitchell and the Chairman Debra Panetta.

Invited guests: Rumney Marsh Toastmasters Club #8431

The Chair introduced the President of the Rumney Marsh Toastmasters Sherri Raftery. Ms. Raftery, 41 Newhall Street was present and thanked the Board for the recognition and explained the club was chartered September 1, 1991 by Frank Zarba. Frank Zarba, Tyngsboro was present and said he started the group 25 years ago and gave a brief history and thanked the active members for keeping the club going. The Chair read citation and congratulated them. Ms. Raftery thanked the Board. The Board presented citation and congratulated the members present.

Correspondence:

1.) Blessed Sacrament Church 100th Anniversary Committee re: request for Special 1 day Beer & Wine License.

No one was present. The Chair read letter and announced the 100th anniversary of Blessed Sacrament Church will be October 29, 2017.

Selectman Cicolini moved to approve the Special 1 day Beer & Wine License to Blessed Sacrament Church 100th Anniversary Committee as requested on October 29, 2016, hours of sale 5:30 PM to 10:30 PM; address, 14 Summer Street Blessed Sacrament Church Hall, for Beer & Wine only; storage approved for 10/29/16 from 4PM to 10 AM on 10/30/16 and must comply with 204 CMR 7.00: Special Licenses; and ABCC advisory. Chair seconds 5-0.

Citizen's Comments: Bill Kramich, 12 Emory Street was present and described the curbing and sidewalk on Lincoln Ave and said sidewalks are for safety and asked what individual or committee gave permission to do this for a shopping mall and said the citizens have a right to know how much this cost. The Chair asked the Manager if he had any information on this or should it be referred to DPW or the Sidewalk Committee. The Manager said the Sidewalk Committee makes recommendations on projects funded by Chapter 90 money allocated and they made recommendation for the design to allow deliveries to the plaza and there was an additional cost but it was part of a joint mutual agreement between the Sidewalk Committee and the property owner. Mr. Kramich said its preferential treatment and may have to do the same for other businesses and asked if he could get the cost of that section. The Manager said he could get that and noted the design also allows for a defined parameter. Mr. Kramich said the Sidewalk Committee should be looking out for the Town, not one business. Selectman Cicolini said the Board has no say in this and the Sidewalk Committee is appointed by Town Meeting and said the design was done 2 ½ - 3 years ago and suggested he talk with Town Meeting Members. The Chair said the Sidewalk Committee worked with the landlord and DPW.

Citizen's Comments: Bobby Camuso, 27 Eustis Street, (re: Property development at end of Eustis St) was present and asked if they ever got answers if the covenant is enforceable and said he was contacted by neighbors today with concern and said he is trying to protect and asked what the Town can do to protect them and said there was to be communication. The Chair said there were a few meetings to try to get information and this is the first she's heard of activity there in a while and asked the Manager if there's anything new to report. The Manager explained the leverage the Town has is in rezoning because the need to rezone that property and is not aware of activity at the site and said some time ago they did apply to MA Highway for Rte 1 access. The Chair said she appreciates him coming and if he hears anything he should call the Manager's Office. The Manager said whatever goes there, there is a process and it will be an open public process. Mr. Camuso asked if anyone looked at the covenant. The Manager said it was looked at and assured him it's not an issue at this point. The Chair said if there are any changes they will let him know. The Manager said sometimes information is put out that is not true.

Selectman Cicolini moved to take old business off the table. Chair seconds 5-0.

Old Business: Tabled item: Annual review of fees set by the Selectmen

The Chair explained every year the Board is obligated to look at the fees and if the Board would like to consider raising fees a public hearing needs to be scheduled and said their clerk provided information on what other communities charge and said she spoke with the ABCC and they confirmed the

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cap was lifted on liquor licenses and currently the Town charges \$5,000 for an All Alcohol License and some communities are higher than \$5,000.

Selectman Cicolini moved the Board take no action at this time. Chair seconds 5-0.

The Chair said there's no New Business tonight but requested the Office year end financial report be included on next agenda.

Manager's Report: Appointments to the Historical Commission

The Manager recommended the reappointment of Melita Davis and Stephen Rich to the Historical Commission to expire August 31, 2019.

Selectman D'Eon moved to confirm the reappointment of Melita Davis and Stephen Rich to the Historical Commission to expire August 31, 2019. Chair seconds

Roll Call Vote: Selectman Brazis, yes; Selectman Cicolini, yes; Selectman D'Eon, yes; Selectman Mitchell, yes; Selectman Panetta, yes.

The Manager said the School Building Committee will visit Winthrop MS/HS now that its open and said the School Committee has voted an educational plan for the district that supports a 6-12 configuration and the School Building Committee voted to submit 3 options to MSBA for consideration; and gave update on parks & playgrounds and said the MS tennis courts are wrapping up and the Veterans School playground will be completed this week and said ribbon cutting was postponed due to weather conditions and he did receive quotes for additional lighting and security cameras for Vets, Belmonte and Bristow. The Chair said she was glad he is looking at additional security. Selectman D'Eon said Vets park looks beautiful. The Manager said it is safe and ADA compliant. Selectman D'Eon apologized to those that weren't aware the ribbon cutting was postponed. Selectman Mitchell asked the Manager to have the no parking signs on Main St at Summer St looked at and possibly move them back further because there's still a visibility problem.

Approval of minutes: August 17, 2016

Selectman Brazis moved to approve the minutes. Chair seconds. The Chair offered an amendment. Vote 5-0 with the change.

Appointments: Conrad Temple re: request to be appointed constable.

Conrad Temple, 26 Park St, Turners Falls was present and gave his background and experience. The Chair asked how far away Turners Falls is. Mr. Temple said 2 hours. Selectman Brazis asked if there's an opening. Their clerk said yes, one opening. Selectman Brazis asked if there are others interested in the position. Their clerk said she gets inquiries but no other pending applications at this time. The Chair asked why he is applying in Saugus. Mr. Temple said he contacted several communities and Saugus was the only opening. Selectman Cicolini said he seems to have the qualifications but feel if there is one spot open it doesn't mean it needs to be filled and is not comfortable appointing just to fill a spot and suggested it be continued to see if others are interested. Selectman Brazis agreed and suggested an announcement be put in the paper and asked how he found out about the opening. Mr. Temple said he applied in 2007 and 2011 and he kept steady contact until there was an opening.

Selectman Cicolini moved for the reasons noted, the request be denied at this time and to advertise an open spot for Saugus resident to come forward by December meeting and if no one comes forward their clerk is to call Mr. Temple to come back before the Board. Chair seconds 5-0.

Member's Comments:

Selectman Mitchell said a good friend is running for Essex County Sheriff and wished Edward O'Reilly good luck.

Selectman Cicolini announced Saturday is Founder's Day and its always a great day and announced Man & Woman of the Year will be at noon.

Selectman Cicolini congratulated the Manager on a good job with parks & playgrounds and staying on top of and addressing the glitches.

Selectman Cicolini reminded the public kids are back in school and to keep an eye out / use caution.

Selectman Brazis commented the parks & playgrounds are coming along.

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Selectman Brazis said tomorrow is Primary Election Day and wished good luck to all the candidates.

Selectman D'Eon announced the POW / MIA ceremony will be held on September 16th at 7PM at the American Legion Hall.

Selectman D'Eon announced cub scout recruiting day Saturday September 17th.

The Chair said good luck in the primary and wished candidates running the best.

The Chair commented there are great scout leaders.

The Chair said the POW / MIA ceremony is a beautiful and symbolic ceremony and encourage all to attend.

The Chair thanked everyone that prepared for Founder's Day.

The Chair announced Sept. 24th fall festival at Breakheart.

The Chair said it looks like they are going to change where the lights are at the Pioneer Charter School. The Manager said they need to go through an approval process and it is under review. Selectman Mitchell asked why they would do all that work without getting approvals first. The Manager said the traffic engineers are proposing dedicated turn lights and ultimately will improve what is there now.

Citizen's Comments None.

Selectman Brazis moved to adjourn. Chair seconds 5-0.
Meeting adjourned at 8:46PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Wendy Reed, Clerk