

Saugus Board of Selectmen  
October 19, 2016

\*\*\*\*\*MEETING MINUTES\*\*\*\*\*

AGENDA  
Saugus Board of Selectmen  
October 19, 2016 at 7:30 PM  
Town Hall Auditorium, 298 Central Street  
Saugus, MA

Call to order.  
Invited guests: 0

Correspondence:

- 1.) Veterans Council re: request for Parade Permit for Veterans Day Parade & invitation.
- 2.) Target Corp. re: request for 1 day Extended Hours of Operation Permit for Black Friday event.
- 3.) Police Dept. re: request for temporary barriers & "No Left Turn" signs at  
Main St overpass & at Essex St overpass.
- 4.) Police Dept. re: recommendation to adjust crosswalks at Veterans Memorial School.

Citizen's Comments

Continued Hearings: 0

Public Hearings:

7:45 PM public hearing on amending the Town's Traffic Rules & Regulations Article IX by adopting **new section #19 Prohibited U-Turns** and approving the following locations: Conrad Terrace; Main Street Terrace; Kennedy Drive; Irving Road; Longwood Avenue; Katherine Lane; and Pierce Memorial Drive.

Old Business: -Update on Oye's Liquor License, 44 Broadway

New Business: 0

Manager's Report:

Approval of minutes: October 5, 2016

Appointments: Mr. Stentiford re: resignation from the Cultural Council

Member's Comments:

Citizen's Comments

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The Saugus Board of Selectmen met on October 19, 2016 at 7:30 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium, 298 Central Street. Present were: Selectmen Scott Brazis, Jeffrey Cicolini, Jennifer D'Eon, Mark Mitchell and the Chairman Debra Panetta. The Town Manager Scott Crabtree was also present.

Correspondence:

- 1.) Veterans Council re: request for Parade Permit for Veterans Day Parade & invitation.

No one was present. The Chair read request.

Selectman D'Eon moved to grant the request of Saugus Veterans Council for Parade Permit for Veterans Day Parade on Friday, November 11, 2016 with the parade forming at Veterans Memorial School at 10:00am with a wreath laying ceremony; the parade will step off at 10:15 am; with parade route as follows: Hurd Ave to Central St to Veterans Park at Winter & Central St. Chair seconds 5-0.

- 2.) Target Corp. re: request for 1 day Extended Hours of Operation Permit for Black Friday event.

Sylvia Sarnacchiaro, 9 Columbus Ave, was present and explained request for Black Friday event. The Chair clarified hours and said they have a very concise crowd control plan and asked if it would be the same as last year. Ms. Sarnacchiaro said yes.

Selectman Cicolini moved to grant the request of Target Corp. for 1 day Extended Hours of Operation Permit for Black Friday event on November 25, 2016 from 12:00 am to 11:00 pm with condition they follow the detailed security plan and police recommendations. Chair seconds 5-0.

- 3.) Police Dept. re: request for temporary barriers & "No Left Turn" signs at Main St overpass & at Essex St overpass.

Sgt VanSteensburg was present and explained the annual request for additional signage for the holidays. The Chair asked when they want them up. Sgt said the week before Thanksgiving to after New Years.

Selectman Brazis moved to approve the request of Police Dept. for temporary barriers & "No Left Turn" signs at Main St overpass & at Essex St overpass from the week before Thanksgiving to after New Year. Chair seconds 5-0.

- 4.) Police Dept. re: recommendation to adjust crosswalks at Veterans Memorial School.

The Chair said the Board received calls regarding the no left turn and the Police did a complete review. Sgt. VanSteensburg was present and he initially went there for that complaint and while there did view the traffic patterns and spoke with the crossing guards and the principal and came up with different ideas and explained. The Chair asked if he spoke with the School Committee. Sgt. said no, he spoke with the crossing guards and the principal. The Manager asked if he discussed the plan with DPW. Sgt said no. The Manager said it should be more collaborative and said there used to be a crosswalk where he is suggesting one but it was requested removed due to staffing. The Chair suggested to continue to next meeting so he can reach out to the School Committee and DPW.

Selectman Brazis moved to continue so the police may reach out to DPW, School Committee and School Administration so all in agreement so changes are done once. Chair seconds 5-0.

Citizen's Comments      None.

Continued Hearings:      0

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Sgt. VanSteensburg was present and explained every year the police step-up enforcement of the no u-turns for safety reasons especially around the holidays and request the section be included in the Traffic Rules & Regulations.

Any to speak in favor or opposed?      None.

Selectman Cicolini moved to close the hearing. Chair seconds 5-0.

Selectman Cicolini moved the Board vote, based on police recommendation, to amend the Town's Traffic Rules & Regulations Article IX by adopting new section #19 Prohibited U-Turns and approving

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the following locations: Conrad Terrace; Main Street Terrace; Kennedy Drive; Irving Road; Longwood Avenue; Katherine Lane; and Pierce Memorial Drive. Chair seconds 5-0.

Selectman Brazis congratulated the Police Chief on the receiving accreditation. Police Chief Domenic DiMella was present and thanked the Board, Manager and all for supporting this effort.

Old Business: -Update on Oye's Liquor License, 44 Broadway

Attorney Richard Magnan, 194 Central Street was present with owner Kevin Sato and explained construction started some time ago and understands they discussed being open in late October, but due to contractor's schedules and unforeseen issues such as sewer pipes and fire systems needing total replacement, they need more time and described work being done in the parking lot to expand the parking area and are making every effort to be open as soon as possible. The Chair said she has gone by there and it looked like a lot of work being done. Selectman Cicolini thanked them for update and asked if the additional site work is the main cause of delay. Attorney Magnan said no, it's the interior work and contractors. Selectman D'Eon asked if possible to get update from the Building Inspector and Fire Dept. Attorney Magnan invited the Board to visit the site. The Chair asked if they feel they will be open in early December. Mr. Sato explained when work started they found they needed to replace all the pipes and update the fire system and feels they will be ready to open in early December. Selectman Brazis said last August they received approval and it sat dormant for months until this Board called them in for update in March and then it was just adding a sushi bar then he sees the parking lot work and now they are saying December and said he would like to see them open. Selectman Mitchell said the Board keeps letting this happen and businesses will keep taking advantage and said at least work is being done but thinks the Board needs to change the way things are done. Selectman Brazis said it is an active site now but wished it was 6-8 months ago. Selectman Cicolini said he appreciates the comments and said it's the Board's job to stimulate business and understands trouble with contractors especially when the economy is doing well, they have a lot of work but every situation is different and based on the work being done and the word of their attorney he will support a December opening date. Selectman Mitchell noted it has been over a year. The Chair said they did receive approval August 2015 and ABCC approval on September 18, 2015 and in April went over timetable and said she wants to see them open as soon as possible and does want the business to succeed and suggested an update on November 30<sup>th</sup>.

Selectman Cicolini moved to request update at the November 30<sup>th</sup> meeting with written report submitted a week in advance. The Chair added without objection to also receive update from fire dept., police dept. and building dept. vote 5-0.

Manager's Report:

The Manager announced public forum on October 27<sup>th</sup> on developing a housing production plan.

The Manager said the tennis courts have been accommodated for pickle ball; and Bristow Park basketball courts are finished but not open yet.

The Manager said the crosswalk on Hamilton Street was addressed as requested.

The Chair asked date for ribbon cutting. The Manager explained some work finishing-up Veterans School playground and said in a couple of weeks.

Approval of minutes: October 5, 2016

Selectman Brazis moved to approve the October 5, 2016 minutes. The Chair offered two corrections. Chair seconds 5-0.

Appointments: Mr. Stentiford re: resignation from the Cultural Council

The Chair read letter of resignation due to health reasons.

Selectman D'Eon moved to accept the resignation and send a letter thanking him for his service. Chair seconds 5-0.

Member's Comments:

Selectman D'Eon said she attended a few events and commented that the fire dept open house was a fun time and the anniversary of Desert Storm ceremony at the VFW was very moving. The Chair agreed.

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Selectman Brazis announced party at the library October 28<sup>th</sup> and Halloween Party at the Senior Center; wished Selectman Cicolini's wife a happy birthday; and said thoughts and prayers to the two Boston Police Officers shot in the line of duty.

Selectman Cicolini thanked Selectman Brazis for wishing his wife a happy birthday; wished his mother well; congratulated the Fall Ball 11 year old team for winning championship 2 years in a row; and said he went to the Senior Center with the Manager to hear senior concerns and said they do a great job there.

Selectman Mitchell said he has nothing this evening.

The Chair said their MAPC Rep. has requested any projects the Town would like her to advocate for; reminded all the tree maintenance project this Saturday at the tree farm; and MEG haunted house.

Citizen's Comments     None.

Selectman Brazis moved to adjourn. Chair seconds 5-0.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Wendy Reed, Clerk