

Saugus Board of Selectmen
October 4, 2017

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

AGENDA
Saugus Board of Selectmen
October 4, 2017 at 7:30 PM
Town Hall Auditorium, 298 Central Street
Saugus, MA

Call to order.

Invited guests: Saugus Softball Little League Senior All Star Team, District 16 Champions

Correspondence:

- 1.) Police Dept. re: request for temporary traffic barriers & signs for holiday season.
- 2.) Target, 400 Lynn Fells Parkway re: request for one day Extended Hours of Operation Permit.
- 3.) Kohl's, 333 Broadway re: request for Extended Hours of Operation Permit (4 days).

Citizen's Comments -Mr. Cannon re: traffic & parking issues at Waybright School

Continued Hearings:

Public Hearings:

7:45 PM Rejane Felipe de Andrade Landry for Special Permit (S-2) to allow personal fitness establishment, to be located at 1288 Broadway, Unit L-2, Assessor's Plan 2027, Lot 238.

7:55 PM Black Stone Hanover Holdings, LLC d/b/a Rosa's Farms, for Transient Vendor's License to be located at 172 Lynn Fells Parkway & Main Street.

Old Business:

New Business: Signing of the November Election Warrant.

Manager's Report:

Approval of minutes: August 23, 2017; and September 13, 2017

Appointments:

Member's Comments:

- Citation for new Eagle Scout, Troop 62
- Citation for Mason's 150th anniversary

Citizen's Comments

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The Saugus Board of Selectmen met on October 4, 2017 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. The Town Manager Scott Crabtree was also present.

Invited guests: Saugus Softball Little League Senior All Star Team, District 16 Champions
Coaches Dan Prezioso, and Chris Jones were present and said the girls had an outstanding season in winning the District 16 Championship and finishing 2nd in the State. The Board gave each a citation and congratulated them.

Correspondence:

1.) Police Dept. re: request for temporary traffic barriers & signs for holiday season.

No one was present. The Chair read request.

Selectman Cicolini moved to approve the request of Saugus Police Dept. for temporary traffic barriers at both Main Street overpass & at Essex Street overpass during Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. Chair seconds 5-0.

2.) Target, 400 Lynn Fells Parkway re: request for one day Extended Hours of Operation Permit.

Sylvia Sarnacchiaro, 7 Columbus Ave, explained event as held in the past.

Selectman D'Eon moved to approve temporary Extended Hours of Operation Permit for one day, with all the same restrictions in the past. Chair seconds 5-0.

3.) Kohl's, 333 Broadway re: request for Extended Hours of Operation Permit (4 days).

Joe Bisalti, Wakefield was present. The Chair asked if the same as last year. Mr. Basalti said this year is shorter. Selectman Cicolini commented on the comprehensive plan and asked if they will have police detail. Mr. Basalti said they did have details last year and would be the same.

Selectman Cicolini moved to approve the request of Kohl's for Extended Hours of Operation Permit on 11/24, 12/22, 12/23 & 12/24 from 2am to 6am; condition of security plan submitted and use of police details. Chair seconds 5-0.

Citizen's Comments -Mr. Cannon re: traffic & parking issues at Waybright School

John Cannon, Heritage Heights Chairman of the Saugus Housing Authority was present and read description of traffic and parking issues at Waybright School and said he spoke with the Principal and there are 18-24 parents that don't follow the rules and requested the Board consider posting "No Standing while school is in session" signs. The Chair said the Board did receive letter from the School Committee requesting signage on Talbot St and on Intervale Ave and read and said the request was sent to police for recommendation. The Manager said he will reach out to the police and make sure they have a conversation with the school principals and Superintendent and said they are working on a long term plan for the schools. The Chair said there have been actions taken over the years.

Patricia St. Pierre, 30 Talbot St was present and said she has lived there since 1962 and described parking issues and people parking on the sidewalk so you have to walk in the street to get by.

Maureen Whitcomb, 212 Essex Street, Housing Authority Commissioner said she talked with the principal and he supports John's (Mr. Cannon) recommendations.

Joan Corey, Business Agent, Teamsters Local 25 representing Public Safety Dispatchers said this is her 3rd visit to the Board and asked to please work with the union to get issues resolved and is looking forward to a speedy resolution.

The Chair announced Board Policy there be no Citizen Comments or Member's comments at meeting before election.

Public Hearings:

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7:45 PM Rejane Felipe de Andrade Landry for Special Permit (S-2) to allow personal fitness establishment, to be located at 1288 Broadway, Unit L-2, Assessor's Plan 2027, Lot 238.

Rejane & Daniel Landry, 5 Park Street were present with property owner Scott Jones. Mr. Landry explained proposed business. The Chair asked if they will offer only personal fitness. Mr. Landry said only personal training. The Chair said no tanning. Mr. Landry said no. Selectman Cicolini noted they will start with themselves and then may hire other employees later. Mr. Landry explained the business is by appointment only and they may consider hiring 1 or 2 employees to assist with scheduling appointment and cleaning and may hire assist trainers. Selectman Cicolini said the parking situation has been rectified and asked about parking / timing of other businesses using the lot and if they will have designated spaces. Mr. Jones said no designated spaces but there is plenty of parking. Mr. Landry said he doesn't anticipate more than 5-6 cars on average. Selectman Cicolini said he's not comfortable voting this unless its contingent on them being caught up on their payment plan to the Town. Mr. Jones said it is all paid. The Chair asked hours. Mr. Landry said many clients like the morning or evening classes and between 12 and 3:00 or 4:00 are the slow hours and don't anticipate working straight through.

Any to speak in favor or opposed? None.

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

Selectman Cicolini moved to grant the Special Permit (S-2) to allow personal fitness at 1288 Broadway, Unit L2 with the following conditions: hours of operation Monday through Friday 6am to 11pm, Saturday 8am to 10pm and Sunday 9am to 2pm; landlord must catch up on payments due per the payment agreement to the satisfaction of the Collector of Taxes; no tanning; and fire dept inspection required. Chair seconds

Roll call vote: Selectman Brazis, yes; Selectman Cicolini, yes; Selectman D'Eon, yes; Selectman Mitchell, yes; Selectman Panetta, yes.

7:55 PM Black Stone Hanover Holdings, LLC d/b/a Rosa's Farms, for Transient Vendor's License to be located at 172 Lynn Fells Parkway & Main Street.

Phil Consolo, 175 Maple Wood Street was present and passed out description of business and requested license through December 23rd or 25th. The Chair asked how it will be set up. Mr. Consolo described. The Chair asked if they will bring fresh produce each day. Mr. Consolo said yes and said he will have two employees on site and it's a family business. Selectman Mitchell expressed concern this may hurt local businesses that sell Christmas trees but he agrees with other items proposed, produce, wreaths etc. Selectman D'Eon suggested restrictions could be put on it. Selectman Cicolini said he's not sure there's a public need. Selectman Brazis asked the petitioner if he would still be interested if there were no trees allowed. Mr. Consolo said yes. The Manager noted he will need Board of Health approval. Selectman D'Eon read Board of Health recommendation.

Any to speak in favor or opposed?

Jim Healey in favor said the former gas station site is empty and this proposal will not take away from non-profits but competition and will bring some life to the location for a very short season.

Selectman Cicolini said he will go with the feelings of the rest of the Board and doesn't want to inundate the area with the same offerings. Selectman Brazis said he is wrestling with this but if he wants to give it a try, why not and if it doesn't work out he won't be back in the spring but feels the Board should give him a chance it would be fair. Selectman Mitchell said Christmas trees are a seasonal business and we have a lot of places in Saugus, Saugus businesses and said he supports the business without trees because there are too many in the same area. Mr. Consolo asked if he opposed wreaths. Selectman Mitchell said he was fine with everything else but not trees. Selectman Brazis asked if he has a number he wants to sell. Mr. Consolo said 100, 50 at a time. Selectman Brazis said the Board could limit the number. The Chair asked how it could be policed and said regardless of how this is voted she is excited something is happening there. Selectman D'Eon said there are many other holiday type items.

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

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Selectman Mitchell moved to approve the request for Transient Vendor's License for all other items but not trees (fresh fruits, vegetables, pumpkins, gores and wreaths). Selectman D'Eon suggested adding other holiday decorations. The Manager suggested adding Board of Health approval and hours. Selectman Mitchell added to his motion to allow other holiday decorations; with hours of operation Monday through Saturday 11 am to 7 pm & Sunday 8am to 5 pm; no structure on the lot; and fire dept recommendations: access for fire apparatus is maintained, a permit for any gas or oil storage is obtained and inspected, any canvas is protected according to appropriate codes, there is no storage (for sale or display) of hay or straw in or around any temporary structure. Chair seconds 5-0.

New Business: Signing of the November Election Warrant.

Selectman Brazis moved the Board sign the election warrant for November 7, 2017 election. Chair seconds 5-0.

Manager's Report:

The Manager had nothing for this evening.

Approval of minutes: August 23, 2017; and September 13, 2017

Selectman Cicolini moved to approve the August 23, 2017 minutes. Chair seconds 5-0.

Selectman Brazis moved to approve the September 13, 2017 minutes. Chair seconds 5-0.

Member's Comments:

-Citation for new Eagle Scout, Troop 62

-Citation for Mason's 150th anniversary

Selectman D'Eon reminded residents of curb side leaf collection and said since there are no Member's comments next meeting, wished everyone luck on the election.

Selectman Brazis, Selectman Cicolini and Selectman Mitchell had nothing for this evening.

The Chair announced the following: new Eagle Scout Troop 62 and will have a citation ready for him; and citation for Mason's 150th anniversary; and Friends of Breakheart fundraiser tomorrow; and MEG 10 year anniversary; and Solimine Funeral Home is holding a Veterans Memorial Service on 11/4; EB Savings bank anniversary events; MEG haunted house; Meet & greet new PPS Director; fire dept open house; and wished Mike Gaffney the very best on his wedding and congratulated him.

Citizen's Comments

Tom Whittredge, 17 Hood Street commented on Waybright School traffic that its only a problem between 2:40 – 2:50pm.

Selectman Brazis announced this Sunday is Alexandra D'Eon's 15th birthday & Gianna Cicolini's 17th birthday. The Chair wished her husband a happy anniversary tomorrow.

Selectman Brazis moved to adjourn. Chair seconds 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

Respectfully submitted

Wendy Reed, Clerk