

Minutes Approved:

Board of Selectmen Meeting: December 16, 2014

Present: Searle, Gibbs, Tsagaris, McCauley, Murphy

Also Present: Larsen, Jop,

Announcements: Ms. Searle announced that the Town Hall would be open all day on Christmas Eve and closed the day after Christmas. She also encouraged viewers to patronize the local merchants this holiday season.

Warrants Approved:

1. Citizen Speak

None

2. Executive Director's Update

Gifts

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs the Board voted (5-0) to accept donations for tree lighting from:

Crosspoint Engineering Corporation in the amount of \$900 and from 2 anonymous donors in the amounts of \$3,857.41 and the other for \$641.

Approval of Middle School Sign

Ms. Jop noted that they received a request for an approval of a sign from the Permanent Building Committee. If a sign is on a public building it is exempt from the sign bylaw pending approval of the Board of Selectmen.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs the Board voted (5-0) to approve the proposed sign for the Middle School Donizetti Plaza.

New Years Eve Extensions

Ms. Jop noted that they have received requests from several restaurants to extend their hours on New Year's Eve for liquor service until 1am. Requests were received from Bocado Tappas & Wine Bar, Blue Ginger and the Italo-American Educational Club.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs the Board voted (5-0) to approve the extended hours for New Year's Eve until 1am for Bocado, Blue Ginger, and the Italo-American Educational Club.

3. Council on Aging (COA) Operating Budget

Gayle Thieme, COA Director, and COA members Miguel Lessing and Tom Keeley joined the Board. Ms. Thieme reviewed the proposed budget for FY16. Ms. Thieme gave general comments and an overview of the Council on Aging as it relates to the budget submission. She also reviewed new proposed positions within the department and programs at the COA as well as a large increase in rent and cleaning costs. She focused on their transportation and staffing needs.

4. Traffic and Parking Budget

Mr. Connolly briefly reviewed the law on parking meter funds. He noted that total this year is up 1.93%. Mr. Connolly reviewed the numbers of the traffic & parking budget. He reviewed an increase in parking fees. He noted that 100,000 has been turned back on meter replacement. Mr. Larsen reviewed the issues with the parking lot overflow in regards to a rate increase.

5. Open Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs the Board voted (5-0) to call the 2015 Annual Town Meeting and set the following dates:

- **Open the Annual Town Meeting Warrant – Tuesday, December 16, 2014**
- **Close the Annual Town Meeting Warrant – Friday, January 9, 2015 at 5:00pm**
- **Motions due to Selectmen – Monday, March 9, 2015**
- **Start of Annual Town Meeting – Monday, March 30, 2015**

6. Retail Sale of Beer and Wine Delivery Modifications

Ms. Jop noted that this language is to clarify how deliveries would be received at the colleges. The language had not been modified since November as they had been awaiting feedback from the colleges as well as Attorney Himmelberger. She has heard back from Babson College & Mr. Himmelberger but still have not heard back from Wellesley College. Ms. Jop noted that she feels this would work and is a very minor modification that will not have much impact.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Tsagaris and seconded by Ms. Gibbs the Board voted (5-0) to approve the modifications to the Rules and Regulations Governing the Retail Sale of Wines and Malt Beverages as presented to clarify the delivery of products to college campuses.

7. Old/New Business

None.

8. Executive Session

The Board polled all aye to go into executive session to discuss acquisition of the North 40.