

SELECT BOARD
TOWN OF NATICK

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Conducted in the Edward H. Dlott
Meeting Room and via Zoom
March 9, 2022
6:30PM

PRESENT: Karen Adelman-Foster, Chair, Richard P. Jennett, Jr., Vice-Chair, Michael J. Hickey, Jr., Clerk, Susan G. Salamoff, Paul R. Joseph

ALSO PRESENT: Town Administrator, James Errickson, Jillian Wilson-Martin, Sustainability Coordinator; Police Chief, James Hicks;

ABSENT:

Chair Adelman-Foster called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. The meeting is being conducted in person and via Zoom this evening.

Chair Adelman-Foster stated that she will read the 2 items for Executive Session this evening and read the following:

- A. Purpose 10: To discuss trade secrets or confidential, competitively-sensitive, or other proprietary information: Electricity Aggregation Program
- B. Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, section 21(a)(3) - To discuss strategy with respect to litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares - Keri Norris v. Town of Natick, MCAD Docket No. 21BEM02366

On a motion by Mr. Jennett, seconded by Mr. Joseph the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 4-0-0, to enter into Executive Session. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Mr. Jennett	Yes
Ms. Salamoff:	Yes
Mr. Joseph	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes

Open session reconvened at 8:30pm

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed for those who have sacrificed for the ideals of our country.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Annual Town Election will be held on March 29, 2022. Absentee ballots are available for the election. There will be no early voting or vote by mail for this election.

PUBLIC SPEAK

Corey Spaulding spoke during Public Speak and asked the Board if she could time on their agenda at a future meeting.

APPOINTMENTS

A. Appointments to 5 Auburn Street RFP

The following candidates are listed as candidates for appointment to the 5 Auburn Street RFP Committee:

1. Julie Baker
2. Martin Kessel (Moderator's Designee)
3. Geoffrey Lewis
4. Andy Meyer
5. Amy Mistrot

On a motion by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Mr. Jennett, the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 5-0-0 to appoint the applicants listed above including the designee of the Moderator to serve on the 5 Auburn Street RFP Committee. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Mr. Jennett	Yes
Ms. Salamoff:	Yes
Mr. Joseph	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

B. Update on Aggregation Procurement

Attached to this evening's agenda is a memorandum from Ms. Wilson-Martin, Sustainability Coordinator, seeking authorization for an upcoming aggregation procurement.

On a motion by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Mr. Jennett, the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 5-0-0 to authorize the Town Administrator to request bids and execute a contract for the municipal aggregation

program not to exceed 18 months in length and to include the requisite renewable energy content pursuant to the Net Zero Action Plan. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Mr. Jennett	Yes
Ms. Salamoff:	Yes
Mr. Joseph	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes

C. Consideration of Police Chief's Recommendations for Promotions to Sergeant

Attached to this evening's agenda is a memorandum from Police Chief James Hicks outlining his recommendation of the four candidates below for promotions to Sergeant. All four candidates were present before the Board this evening.

1. Detective Brian Bosselman
2. Officer Jamie Verner
3. Detective Edward J. Arena
4. Officer Christopher G. Showstead

On a motion by Mr. Jennett, seconded by Mr. Hickey, the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 5-0-0 to approve Police Chief Hick's recommendations for promotions to Sergeant (names listed above). The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Mr. Jennett	Yes
Ms. Salamoff:	Yes
Mr. Joseph	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes

D. Consideration and vote to approve a Special Police Officer request from Chief Hicks

1. Special Police Officer recommendation for Retired Sergeant Richard Vieira

Attached to this evening's agenda is a memorandum from Police Chief Hicks requesting that the Select Board appoint Retired Sergeant Richard Vieira as Special Police Officer for the purpose of working paid police details, as of March 8, 2022.

On a motion by Mr. Jennett, seconded by Mr. Hickey, the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 5-0-0 to approve Police Chief Hick's request to appoint Retired Sergeant Richard Vieira as a Special Police Officer for the purpose of working paid police details as of March 8, 2022. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Mr. Jennett	Yes
Ms. Salamoff:	Yes
Mr. Joseph	Yes

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Mr. Hickey Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster Yes

- E. Approve Boston Athletic Association's Request to occupy a public way for the Boston Marathon on April 18, 2022

On a motion by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 5-0-0, to approve, authorize and permit the Boston Athletic Association to control and utilize roadways, adjacent sidewalks and other appropriate areas as determined in their planning sessions to conduct the annual Boston Marathon in a safe and controlled manner on April 18, 2022, including permission to deliver and install signage, hydration stations, portable toilets, medical stations, mile markers, sponsor activations, and other equipment and locations which are outlined in attachments in consultation with the Town's public safety and emergency management personnel. That permission shall be conditioned upon the stipulation that the Boston Athletic Association agrees to make the Town of Natick whole for any and all documented costs and expenses related to the operation of that race.

- F. Approve Loan from Massachusetts Clean Waters Trust
This item was removed from the agenda this evening.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Reappoint Douglas Shepard to the Conservation Commission
 - 1. Douglas Shepard reappointment - Effective date July 1, 2022
- B. Reappoint Livia Mosanu to the Cultural Council Effective date of Reappointment - July 1, 2022
- C. Accept Grant Award from Friends of Natick Senior Center
- D. Accept Grant Award from Bay Path Elder Services
- E. Approve Municipal Employee Exemption for Natick Police Department
- F. Weekly Warrant Review
 - Weekly Warrant March 1, 2022
 - Weekly Warrant March 8, 2022
- G. Procurement Officer Award Contract
 - 1. Contract Award - Town Hall re-roofing project
- H. Approve Flammable Storage renewals
- I. Approve nomination letter for Dorothy Kennedy for three-year term to South Middlesex Opportunity Council Board of Directors

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On a motion by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 5-0-0 to approve the Consent Agenda minus item C. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Mr. Jennett	Yes
Ms. Salamoff:	Yes
Mr. Joseph	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes

After a brief discussion by the Board and input from the public a motion was made by the Board.

On a motion by Ms. Salamoff, seconded by Mr. Joseph, the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 5-0-0 to approve item C. The Roll Call vote was as follows:

Mr. Jennett	Yes
Ms. Salamoff:	Yes
Mr. Joseph	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR NOTES

Mr. Errickson, Town Administrator noted that tomorrow, March 10, 2022, is the deadline for applicants to submit resumes for the Fire Chief position through our consultants at MRI.

CORRESPONDENCE

A. correspondence from Donna McKenzie re Town Governance Study Committee

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Hickey, seconded by Mr. Jennett, the Board, by Roll Call vote, voted 5-0-0 to adjourn the meeting at 9:32PM.

Mr. Jennett	Yes
Mr. Hickey	Yes
Ms. Salamoff	Yes
Mr. Joseph	Yes
Ms. Adelman-Foster	Yes



Bruce T. Evans, Clerk

March 9, 2022, Select Board Meeting Minutes Approved by the Select Board on June 15, 2022.

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