

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Ms. Awad at 6:32 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Awad, Brewer, Greeney
Weiss, Kusner absent
Shaffer
Seaman: Recorder

SELECT BOARD'S ACTION

Farmers' Market

VOTED unanimously, to close the Spring Street parking lot on Saturdays from May 3, 2008 to November 15, 2008 from 7:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for the Farmers' Market.

Complaint Management System

The Board heard a presentation from Kristopher Pacunas, Information Technology Director, relative to the complaint management system that would be available on the new Town website. The Board and Mr. Pacunas discussed the system and how certain types of complaints would be distributed through the proper channels.

Public Works Update

Atkins Corner

The Board heard from Guilford Mooring, Superintendent of Public works regarding Atkins Corner 25% plan, and agreed to send a letter of support to the Massachusetts Highway Department.

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to authorize to Gerald Weiss to notify Albert Stegemann, District Highway Director of the Massachusetts Highway Department of its letter of support for the 25% plan and its section of related work on Route 116 West Street.

University Drive

Mr. Mooring spoke to the Board about the research that had been conducted on University Drive, and the overall response from various Boards and Committees regarding the action that should be taken about traffic and pedestrian needs based on those results. Ms. Greeney asked if the current design would ensure pedestrian safety crossing the street. Mr. Mooring indicated that it would. **VOTED** unanimously (3-0), that the Select Board, considering their role to control and regulate the Public Ways, authorizes the Director of Public Works to complete the design of the intersection of University Drive and Big Y consistent with his recommendations, and complete the conceptual design of the Amity Street and University Drive intersection, consistent with his recommendations.

Middle Street Stop Signs

Discussion of this item was deferred until the Chair of the Board would be present.

Downtown Sidewalks/Trees

The Board heard a brief presentation from Mr. Mooring and Alan Snow, Tree Warden, relative to the trees in the Downtown area. Snow spoke about the maintenance of the trees, and what was being proposed to get help from the community relative to keeping the trees healthy.

Budget Update

Mr. Shaffer spoke briefly about the Budget Coordinating Group meeting that was held on March 10, 2008, and a possible long term financial plan that would potentially be proposed to the Board.

Committee Appointments –Select Board

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to appoint Tony Maroulis to the Town Commercial Relations Committee for a term to expire June 30, 2011.

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Taxi Driver/Chauffeur License

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Taxi Driver/Chauffeur License for Bob Thun, 78 Stony Hill Road, Amherst, MA.

Special All Alcoholic License – Amherst College

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special All Alcoholic License for Amherst College for March 15, 2008 (make-up date March 16, 2008), 6:30 p.m. – 12:00 p.m. for an ARHS Athletics Fundraiser (Monti Carlo Night).

Special Wine and Malt Liquor License – R & P Liquors

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special Wine and Malt Liquor License for R & P Liquors for May 17, 2008 from 5:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m. at the Red Barn at Hampshire College for a reception.

Special Wine and Malt Liquor License – R & P Liquors

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special Wine and Malt Liquor License for R & P Liquors for June 18, 2008 from 4:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Hampshire College Dining Commons for a reception.

Special Wine and Malt Liquor License – R & P Liquors

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special Wine and Malt Liquor License for R & P Liquors for June 21, 2008 from 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Hampshire College Dining Commons for a dinner.

Special Wine and Malt License – R & P Liquors

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve a *change in hours previously voted at the November 5, 2007 Select Board meeting* for the Special Wine and Malt License for R & P Liquors for June 5, 2008 from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. *to 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.* at the Hampshire College RCC Building for a dinner. *(Note: This was previously approved at the November 5, 2007 meeting for 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. and the license was issued. This is a request from R & P Liquors to extend the hours only)*

Special All Alcoholic Liquor License – University of Massachusetts

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special All Alcoholic Liquor License for the University of Massachusetts for March 11, 2008 from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. at the Fine Arts Center for a dinner.

Special Wine and Malt Liquor License – University of Massachusetts

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special Wine and Malt Liquor License for the University of Massachusetts for March 12, 2008 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Fine Arts Center for a dinner.

Special Wine and Malt Liquor License – University of Massachusetts

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special Wine and Malt Liquor License for the University of Massachusetts for March 29, 2008 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Fine Arts Center for a dinner.

Special All Alcoholic Liquor License – University of Massachusetts

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special All Alcoholic Liquor License for the University of Massachusetts for April 5, 2008 from 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. at the Dubois Library for a dinner.

Special Wine and Malt Liquor License – University of Massachusetts

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special Wine and Malt Liquor License for the University of Massachusetts for April 12, 2008 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Fine Arts Center for a dinner.

Special Wine and Malt Liquor License – University of Massachusetts

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special Wine and Malt Liquor License for the University of Massachusetts for April 25, 2008 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Fine Arts Center for a dinner.

Special All Alcohol Liquor License – University of Massachusetts

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Special All Alcohol Liquor License for the University of Massachusetts for June 6, 2008 from 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the Goodell Library Lawn for a dinner.

Renew Seasonal Alcohol License

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to approve the Seasonal Wine and Malt Restaurant License for Cherry Hill Golf Course, 323 Montague Road (Manager: Barb Bilz), for April 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED unanimously (3-0), to adjourn the open meeting at 8:19 p.m.

Approved at the March 24, 2008 Select Board Meeting