

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Ms. Awad at 6:18 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Awad, Hubley, Weiss, Schiffer, Seppala
Del Castilho, Venman, Miranda, Tolpa, Hoey, McDowell

SELECT BOARD'S ACTION

Consent Calendar

VOTED: Awad, Hubley, Weiss, Schiffer voted "Aye", Seppala absent, to approve the following items on the April 20, 2004 Consent Calendar:

Street Closing – Henry Street

VOTED: Awad, Hubley, Weiss, Schiffer voted "Aye", Seppala absent, to approve the closing of the Henry Street on May 1, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for a May Pole Festival.

Street Closing and Parking Enforcement – Chamber of Commerce - Taste of Amherst

VOTED: Awad, Hubley, Weiss, Schiffer voted "Aye", Seppala absent, to approve the following street closing and relaxed parking enforcement:

- Close Boltwood Avenue, from Spring Street to Route 9, on June 18 and 19, 2004, from 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.
- Allow free parking at metered spaces and the parking garage from 4:00 p.m. on June 17, 2004 through 8:00 p.m. on June 19, 2004.
- Prohibit parking on the south side of the Spring Street parking lot on the following dates and times:

June 17 – 4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

June 18 – 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

June 19 – 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

June 20 - noon – 5:00 p.m.

Approve Minutes

VOTED unanimously to approve the Select Board minutes of April 12, 2004, as amended.

Department of Agricultural Resources – Hess Property

VOTED unanimously to announce that the Department of Agriculture Resources intends to purchase from Frederick F. Hess and

Linda L. Hess 157 acres, more or less, on North East Street and to reduce the 120 day notification period to 60 days.

Committee Appointment

VOTED unanimously to appoint Dorothy Merriam, Human Rights Commission, for a term to expire June 30, 2007.

FY 04 Article 28 – ACTV and Related Expenses

No action taken.

Art Shows

VOTED unanimously to approve the use of public ways and to reserve metered parking spaces as shown on “Art Show – Proposed tent locations & reserved parking, April 20, 2004” on the following days from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.:

Use of public ways:

May 29 & 30; June 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 & 27; July 10, 11, 24 & 25; Aug. 7, 8, 14, 15, 28 & 29;
Sept. 11, 12, 25 & 26; Oct. 2, 3, 9, 10, 23 & 24

Reserved Parking:

May 29 & 30; June 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 & 27; July 10, 11, 24 & 25; Aug. 7, 8, 14 & 15

WARRANT ARTICLES

Article 4 – Transfer of Funds – Unpaid Bills

VOTED unanimously to recommend dismissal of Article 4.

Article 5 – FY 04 Budget Amendments

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 5 in the amount of 116,000.

Article 7 – Optional Tax Exemptions

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 7.

Article 8 – Authorization for Compensating Balance Accounts

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 8.

Article 9 – Petition – Resolution – PVT A (BenEzra)

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 9.

Article 10 – Petition – Resolution – Repeal Medicare (BenEzra)

VOTED unanimously to take no position on Article 10.

Article 14 – FY 2005 Operating Budget – Library Services

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 14 – FY 2005 Operating Budget – Library Services budget in the amount of \$1,814,019 and a Town appropriation of \$1,276,673.

VOTED unanimously to reconsider Article 14 – FY 2005 Operating Budget – Library Services budget.

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 14 – FY 2005 Operating Budget – Library Services budget in the amount of \$1,814,019 and a Town appropriation of \$1,276,216.

Article 14 – FY 2005 Operating Budget – Golf Course Fund

VOTED: Awad, Hubley, Weiss, Schiffer voted “Aye”, Seppala “No”, to recommend Article 14 – FY 2005 Operating Budget – Golf Course Fund in the amount of \$306,831.

Article 17 – Special Services – ACTV

No action taken.

Article 23 - Capital Program - Town Center Improvements

VOTED: Weiss, Schiffer, Seppala voted “Aye”, Awad, Hubley “No” to recommend Article 23 in the amount of \$1,200,000

Article 24 – Overlay Surplus

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 24 in the amount of \$272,585.

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Public Hearing - All Alcoholic Restaurant Liquor License - The H2O Restaurant and Bar

- Public hearing called to order at 6:23 p.m.
- Continued the public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on April 26.

Common Victualler License - The H2O Restaurant and Bar

No action taken.

Live Entertainment License - The H2O Restaurant and Bar

No action taken.

Taxi Driver License– Red Cab

VOTED unanimously to approve the Taxi Driver License for Wade A. McDowell, Jr., 112 Rolling Green, Amherst, for Persian, Inc. dba Red Cab, 38 Justice Drive, Amherst.

Pledge of Liquor License – Delano’s

VOTED unanimously to approve the Pledge of Liquor License for Jardel Corporation dba Delano’s, 57 North Pleasant Street (Manager: Harry Delano) to the Florence Saving Bank.

One-Day Wine and Malt License – Amherst Women’s Club

VOTED unanimously to approve the One-Day Wine and Malt License for Blue Heron Catering, Barbara White, Owner, 39 Main Street, Montague, MA for June 19, 2004, from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for a wedding at the Amherst Women’s Club.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Question period

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED unanimously to adjourn at 9:48 p.m.