

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mr. Weiss at 6:15 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Weiss, Awad, Brewer, Greeney, Kusner,
Shaffer, Musante, Brighty, Rosenblatt, Hoyle, Scherpa, Carlozzi, Steinberg, Rising

SELECT BOARD'S ACTION

Special Municipal Employee Status

VOTED unanimously to grant Special Municipal Employee Status to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

VOTED unanimously to grant Special Municipal Employee Status to the Amherst Pelham Regional School Committee.

Special Municipal Employee Status - 250th Anniversary Celebration Committee

No action.

Sign 2007 Annual Town Meeting Warrant

VOTED unanimously to sign the May 7, 2007 Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Discussion of Open Burning Law

No action.

Support PHENOM – Public Higher Education of Massachusetts

VOTED unanimously (4-0) to sign the card from the Amherst Select Board to be sent to Governor Deval Patrick to support legislation of the principles endorsed by the Public Higher Education Network of Massachusetts(PHENOM).

Voted unanimously (4-0) to endorse the “Town Manager’s Prioritized List of FY 08 Budget Restorations/Additions to the Municipal Budget if funds available, with the following amendments:

	ADD		DEDUCT
Human Service Agencies New Amount \$65,614	\$20,000	Cambodian Outreach Worker	\$(9,000)
Puffer’s Pond and Trail Maintenance	12,000	Police	(10,000)
Special Needs - LSSE	6,000	Economic Development Director	(10,000)
Outdoor Challenge - LSSE	5,000	Finance	(14,000)
<i>Total</i>	\$43,000	<i>Total</i>	\$(43,000)

Approve Minutes

No action taken on the April 4, 2007 minutes.

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Renew Seasonal Alcohol License

VOTED unanimously to approve the seasonal Wine and Malt Restaurant License for Cherry Hill Golf Course, 323 Montague Road (Manager: Barbara Bilz), for April 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007.

Special Liquor License – R&P Liquors

VOTED unanimously to approve the Special Wine and Malt Liquor License for R&P Liquors/ Hampshire College on April 21, 2007, from 1:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at the Robert Crown Center, Hampshire College for a fund raiser.

Secondhand Sales License – Switcheroo

VOTED unanimously to approve the Secondhand Sales License for Monica Wisnieski, d/b/a Switcheroo, 23 North Pleasant Street, #7 & 8, Amherst, MA.

WARRANT ARTICLES

Article 5 - Approval of Land Lease for Cell Phone Tower

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 5 - Approval of Land Lease for Cell Phone Tower warrant article.

Article 7 (previously numbered Article 6) – Atkins Corner Easement

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 7 (previously numbered Article 6) – Atkins Corner Easement.

Article 38 (previously numbered Article 7) – Special Act and Transfer of Control – Olympia Drive

VOTED unanimously to recommend Article 38 (previously numbered Article 7) – Special Act and Transfer of Control – Olympia Drive.

Article 1 – Reports of Boards and Committees

VOTED unanimously (4-0) to recommend Article 1 – Reports of Boards and Committees.

Article 2 – Transfer of Funds – Unpaid Bills.

VOTED unanimously (4-0) to recommend Article 2 – Transfer of Funds – Unpaid Bills.

Article 3 - Optional Tax Exemptions

VOTED unanimously (4-0) to recommend Article 3 - Optional Tax Exemptions.

Article 4 – Authorization for Compensating Balance Accounts

VOTED unanimously (4-0) to recommend Article 4 – Authorization for Compensating Balance Accounts.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTED unanimously to adjourn at 11:00 p.m.