

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2016**

Chairman Mauceri called the meeting to order at 8:13 p.m. in Room 14 at the Town Hall in the presence of members Mr. Prisco, Mr. Yull, Mr. O'Leary, Mrs. Manupelli, and Town Administrator, Michael Gilleberto.

CALL TO ORDER OPEN SESSION

Chairman Mauceri called to order the open session at 8:13 p.m.

The Chairman States: "In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, the Board states for the record that this meeting is being recorded by NORCAM and may be recorded by other local media."

The members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATION: VETERAN'S DAY

Mrs. Manupelli reads the Proclamation. The Veterans Day Ceremony is Friday, November 11th at 11:00. Mr. Yull is the speaker, and Chairman Mauceri will read the Proclamation. Mr. Yull encouraged the residents to bring their children. Veteran's Director Sue Magner informed the audience it is the Commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War and would like to see the Town Common full to give the Vietnam Veterans the welcome they deserve.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO SIGN THE VETERAN'S DAY PROCLAMATION.

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI
SECONDED BY: MR. PRISCO
VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

DISCUSS RESIDENTIAL TAX RATE EXEMPTION

Debbie Carbone, Town Assessor gave a power point presentation (see attached). After the presentation Mr. Prisco commented that this would not be applicable to North Reading as it is designed for Urban and second home communities. Chairman Mauceri stated it was only being presented to see the impact it would have on the community. Ms. Carbone informed the audience that senior citizens have until April 1st to apply for tax exemptions. Mr. Prisco informed the Board of a "means based senior property tax exemption" in Reading. He will learn more about it.

MEET WITH FOOD PANTRY

Chairman Ellen Wiklanski and Penny Esposito addressed the audience regarding an update on the needs of users of the Food Pantry and what the community can do to help. They expressed the need for more storage space for food, and drivers with trucks to go to the Greater Food Bank in Boston on Fridays. They also need non-taxable items as they are not covered with food stamps. Mrs. Manupelli informed the audience the food pantry can be found on Facebook. She suggested linking Northreadingfoodpantry.org to the Town Website. The Board Members thanked them for all they do.

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BHAKTINANDAN LLC, D/B/A RICHDAL CONVENIENCE STORE – TRANSFER OF LICENSE

9:11 – Public Hearing Opens. Chairman Mauceri reads the public hearing notice.

Attorney Greg Demakis representing Bhaktinand LLC addressed the Board on behalf of his client. The Attorney (name not given) representing Stergios Papadopoulos, owner Captain Pizza and the entire building, addressed the Board objecting to the transfer of the license to another location. Stergios Papadopoulos informed the Board that over 300 people signed a petition to keep the license with the new tenant and not transfer it to another location. Chris Pendleton, 3 Rivera Road, Tewksbury, former owner of Tedeschi's, and holder of the license, informed the Board that the license was never owned by Tedeschi's, it was in his name. He expressed his support of Vivekanand Patel and urged the Board to approve the transfer of license to Richdale. Christiana Papadopoulos, spouse of Stergios Papadopoulos also addressed the Board opposing the transfer of license to Richdale.

9:30 – Public Hearing closes.

Mrs. Manupelli clarified for the Papadopoulos' that the Board's former denial of the license transfer to the former Tedeschi location was because of the limitations in the wording of the deed and the limitations of what could be sold. She stated there was no public need for another package store. She also stated she would not support the transfer to Lowell Road as there is no public need. Mr. O'Leary is opposed to the transfer. Mr. Prisco does not see a need for this transfer since there are other liquor stores nearby, he would rather the license expire and have it available for future use.

Mr. O'Leary stated that the Fire Department reported there were concerns regarding the doors and storage at Richdale. The Fire Department wants the Board to hold off considering this transfer until non-compliance issues have been addressed. Mr. O'Leary stated he would like more input from the Police Department in relation to the location of Richdale before considering the transfer.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO CONTINUE THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TRANSFER AND CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR A PACKAGE STORE/WINE AND MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE TO BHAKTINANDAN LLC, D/B/A RICHDAL CONVENIENCE STORE , 4 LOWELL ROAD, UNIT 1 UNTIL NOVEMBER 21, 2016 AT 9:00 P.M.

MOTION BY: MR. O'LEARY
SECONDED BY: MR. YULL
VOTED: 3-2 (MR. PRISCO AND MRS. MANUPELLI OPPOSED)

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

9:55 – Five Minute Recess

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FY2018 BUDGET PREVIEW AND SCHEDULE

Mr. Gilleberto gives a power point presentation (see attached).

VOTE TO APPROVE AND FILE HOME RULE PETITION – CIVIL SERVICE

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE SPECIAL LEGISLATION RESCINDING CIVIL SERVICE FOR POLICE OFFICERS OF ALL RANKS, AS AUTHORIZED BY THE OCTOBER 17, 2016 TOWN MEETING AND TO PETITION THE GENERAL COURT AND THE GOVERNOR TO APPROVE THIS ACTION.

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI
SECONDED BY: MR.O'LEARY
VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

VOTE TO APPROVE AND FILE HOME RULE PETITION - MWRA

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE SPECIAL LEGISLATION, AS AUTHORIZED BY THE JUNE 6, 2016 TOWN MEETING, TO AMEND SECTION 8 (D) OF CHAPTER 372 OF THE ACTS OF 1984 TO PERMIT AN EXTENSION OF THE MWRA WATER SYSTEM INTO THE TOWN OF NORTH READING AND TO PETITION THE GENERAL COURT AND THE GOVERNOR TO APPROVE THIS ACTION.

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI
SECONDED BY: MR.YULL
VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

LEGAL BILLS

AUGUST

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE LEGAL BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$8,329.64** AS FOLLOWS:

KOPELMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (GENERAL)	\$ 5323.64
KOPEMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (LABOR)	<u>\$ 3,006.00</u>
	\$8,329.64

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI
SECONDED BY: MR.YULL
VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

SEPTEMBER

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE LEGAL BILLS IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$13,215.96** AS FOLLOWS:

KOPELMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (GENERAL)	\$ 9,195.46
KOPEMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (LABOR)	\$ 2,294.00
KOPELMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (WATER)	\$ 388.50
THOMSON WEST	<u>\$ 1,338.00</u>
	\$13,215.96

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI
SECONDED BY: MR.YULL
VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

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APD MANAGEMENT, INC.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE BILLS FOR APD MANAGEMENT, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$7,380.00** AS FOLLOWS:

INVOICE #1 – (SERVICES THROUGH 6/30/16) \$5400.00

INVOICE #2 – (SERVICES 7/1/16 TO 10/16/16) \$1,980.00

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI

SECONDED BY: MR. YULL

VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

MINUTES

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE THE **SEPTEMBER 19, 2016** REGULAR SESSION MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI

SECONDED BY: MR. YULL

VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE THE **OCTOBER 3, 2016** REGULAR SESSION MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI

SECONDED BY: MR. YULL

VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

Mrs. Manupelli asked that the **OCTOBER 3, 2016** Executive Session Minutes be passed over for further discussion.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE THE **OCTOBER 12, 2016** REGULAR SESSION MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI

SECONDED BY: MR. YULL

VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE THE **OCTOBER 12, 2016** EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI

SECONDED BY: MR. YULL

VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

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MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE THE **OCTOBER 17, 2016** REGULAR SESSION MINUTES AS WRITTEN.

MOTION BY: MRS. MANUPELLI
SECONDED BY: MR. YULL
VOTED: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

(See attached) Topics Discussed: DPW's application for Small Bridge program, attendance at a drought forum, Peer Community Assessment Questionnaire submission, and an update on the DPW Administrative investigation.

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

MR. PRICSO

- Expressed his thanks to Sheila Sturdevant and said she will be missed;
- Tree Lighting on the Common November 27th, 2:00 – 4:00, anyone interested in sponsoring a tree should contact the Chamber of Commerce.

MRS. MANUPELLI

- Thanked Veterans for their Service. Is hopeful people will commemorate Veterans in some way.

MR. YULL

- Expressed his disappointment with a political ad in his meeting packet;
- Wants people to remember Veterans of all wars on Veteran's Day, especially Vietnam Vets who have gone through more disappointments than other Vets;
- Election Day tomorrow. There are other decisions besides presidents. Urged the audience to vote No on question 4.

MR. O'LEARY

- Acknowledged the new technology in Room 14;
- Wishes Sheila Sturdevant well;
- Commended the Town Clerk and her staff for meeting the challenge of early voting;
- Encouraged residents to get out and vote.

MR. MAUCERI

- Thanked the Town Clerk for implementing early voting;
- Informed the audience of the 8th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner at the Hillview on November 20th.

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MR. CHAIRMAN, I MR. PRISCO MOVE TO ADJOURN

SECONDED:	MR. YULL	
VOTED:	MR. O'LEARY	AYE
	MR. PRISCO	AYE
	MR. YULL	AYE
	MRS. MANUPELLI	AYE
	MR. MAUCERI	AYE

VOTE: 5-0 (UNANAMOUS)

ADJOURN: 10:37 p.m.

DATE

KATHRYN MANUPELLI, CLERK