

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 18, 2016**

Chairman Mauceri called the meeting to order at 8:09 p.m. in Room 14 at the Town Hall in the presence of members Mr. Prisco, Mrs. Manupelli, Mr. Yull, Mr. O'Leary, and Town Administrator, Michael Gilleberto.

CALL TO ORDER OPEN SESSION

Chairman Mauceri called to order the open session at 8:09 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.

CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION: JOHN T. MANNION, EAGLE SCOUT

Mr. Yull presented a Certificate of Recognition to John T. Mannion for achieving Eagle Scout status. A photo was taken.

PROCLAMATION: AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO PROCLAIM TUESDAY, JULY 26TH, 2016 AS SPIRIT OF THE 26TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) DAY, AND TO READ THE PROCLAMATION.

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

Mrs. Manupelli reads the Proclamation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Yull expresses his heartfelt sympathies towards police throughout the nation. He stated hate is taking over and doing harm to our first responders.

Mrs. Manupelli informed the public about the RMLD Informational Forum that will be held on July 26, 2016. (See Attached)

JOINT MEETING WITH COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMISSION

J.T. BERRY/LOWELL ROAD PROPERTY APPRAISAL

CPC members in attendance were: Danielle McKnight, Warren Pearce, Bill Bellevance, Chris Hayden, Jonathan Cody, and Joe Veno.

Francis DeCoste of TRA gave a power point presentation to the audience showing the results of the Market Analysis and appraisal of the JT Berry Property. Paul O'Leary addressed the Board regarding other potential uses for the property and possibly changing the current zoning restrictions. Mr. Prisco informed the audience that the Economic Development Committee is in favor of an open RFP. Mr. DeCoste stated that he hopes to get the RFP out by Labor Day and have a P&S by October 17th. He also stated Fore Kicks is interested in developing the property. Mrs. Manupelli appreciated the presentation but would like to see other potential developers. Chairman Mauceri would like the development to go forward with the minimum amount of restrictions "to get the biggest bang for our buck."

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A workshop to get feedback from the Community will be planned. Chairman Mauceri and Mr. Yull would like to hold it after Labor Day.

Steve and Paul O'Leary stated that the long term revenue an apartment complex would produce for the Town would be more beneficial than Fore Kicks. Mr. O'Leary asked the Board to consider the best use and impact on the community. Mr. Gilleberto suggested that, given the potential significance of the impact of the development of this property on the Town, another joint meeting be held to review the RFP. The Board requested Mr. DeCoste to incorporate the suggestions made at the meeting tonight into the RFP and present it to the Board at the August 22, 2016 meeting.

There is an easement on the property. The Board has agreed to disband the easement.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO DIRECT THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO CONSULT WITH TOWN COUNSEL REGARDING THE ABANDONMENT OF THE EASEMENT AT THE JT BERRY PROPERTY.

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

LEGAL BILLS FOR MAY AND JUNE

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE LEGAL BILLS FOR MAY, 2016 IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$7,104.80** AS FOLLOWS:

KOPELMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (GENERAL)	\$ 3,270.80
KOPEMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (LABOR)	\$ 3,492.00
KOPELMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (WATER)	<u>\$ 342.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 7,104.80

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

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MOVE TO APPROVE LEGAL BILLS FOR JUNE, 2016 IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$7,756.64** AS FOLLOWS:

KOPELMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (GENERAL)	\$ 3,497.64
KOPEMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (LABOR)	\$ 4,068.00
KOPELMAN AND PAIGE, P.C. (WATER)	<u>\$ 191.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 7,756.64

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

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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

No Report.

OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Prisco – Informed the audience that the Commercial tax rate is the same as Residential tax rate. We are at the top for residential tax rate and commercial tax rate is favorable for businesses. He stated that the Governor's budget team is working with Representative Jones and North Reading Little League to secure a Fifty Thousand Dollar Grant because the Little League World Series will be held in North Reading. He thanked Representative Jones and Senator Tarr for the 25 Thousand Dollars for CIT in the budget. He asked Mr. O'Leary about the fields at the High School and raising money to finish the project. He inquired about any free cash in the Town's budget to finish the project as he feels it has become a public health issue with no grass there. There is too much dust. He stated the residents have put up with too much already.

Mrs. Manupelli – Congratulated the U12 Boys Soccer team for winning the league championship. Her son Matt is on the Team. She Informed the audience about Youth Services National Night Out on August 2nd at IRP. Mrs. Manupelli will plan on attending. Chairman Mauceri responded that he needs volunteers from the Board for National Night Out. Mr. Prisco and Mr. O'Leary responded they plan on attending.

Mr. Yull –Is concerned about what is going on in the Country right now. He said it is like the 1960's all over again.

Mr. O'Leary – Informed the audience that the Chamber of Commerce is looking for help from the DPW for holiday lights on the Common. Mr. Gilleberto responded that he is aware and will bring a proposal to the Board at the August 22nd BoS meeting. Mr. O'Leary would like the Board to consider a by-law change to allow for alcoholic beverages on Town property, especially for the Farmers Market. Mr. Gilleberto will consult with Town Counsel about this but believes there may be an avenue for this in the current bylaw. He acknowledged the passing of former Town Administrator Chet Spinney. He thanked the Board for the courtesy they extended to him at the passing of his Mom.

Mr. Mauceri – Thanked the employees of the DPW who have stepped up, he stated, "things are getting done." He also thanked Chief Murphy who stepped up as Town Administrator while Mr. Gilleberto was on vacation. He stated that is it important to maintain a well-trained police force with what is going on in the world today.

MR. CHAIRMAN, I MR. YULL MOVE TO ADJOURN.

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

VOTE: 5-0 (UNANIMOUS)

ADJOURN: 10:44 p.m.

DATE

KATHRYN MANUPELLI, CLERK