



Select Board Meeting - September 24, 2024 Minutes

at 7:00 PM

Gala Room Foxborough Town Hall 40 South Street

1. 7:00pm - Citizen's Input

1.01 Citizen's Input

2. 7:05pm - Public Hearing - New On Premises Beer & Wine License for Chicken Bites Inc., dba Augusta Subs & Salads at, 10 East Belcher Road.

[092424 Public Hearing Augusta Subs and Salads New BW License.pdf](#) 

[092424 Augusta New Beer and Wine License Application SB Redacted.pdf](#)



*Motion to close the public hearing.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Motion Carries 5-0

2.01 Review & Vote on a New On Premises Beer & Wine License for Chicken Bites Inc., dba Augusta Subs & Salads, at 10 East Belcher Road.

Ryan Rosa, owner & Alberto runs daily operations. Looking to expand the portfolio within the cafe and offer beer and wine. All staff are 21+ and are TIPS certified. 70 seats, sit down, in the main lobby with one entrance. All alcohol will be

restricted to the restaurant. No alcohol will leave those four walls. Will need to police both the inside and outside. Alberto is on site 40+ hours a week with assistant managers that are also seasoned within the space. Start serving at noon. During the week hours are 11am to 8pm and a little later on the weekends.

Chief Grace - The cafe is only in view of one rink which makes it unique to other rinks where you can wander, and staff can lose sight of containers. Demographic spans from travel teams where parents are traveling and staying and those local teams where parents do leave. MIAA rules will be in place for all sale of alcohol. For high school games, there is an officer on site to deal with parent issues so an officer will be on site for angry parents, not necessarily the alcohol. Foxborough Police will work with the onsite team and make sure there are no issues. We have been looking for this rink to expand and have a good restaurant on site at the rink. This is the something extra for those guests that travel.

**Motion to approve a New On Premises Beer & Wine License for Chicken Bites Inc., dba Augusta Subs & Salads, at 10 East Belcher Road.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Carried 5-0

3. 7:15pm - Public Hearing - All Alcohol On Premises License Transfer from Won More Time LLC dba Chickie Flynnns to Laced Pizza & Pub LLC dba Laced Pizza & Pub at 94 Washington Street.

[092424 Public Hearing Laced Pizza Transfer of License.pdf](#) 

[092424 Laced All Alcohol Transfer Application Redacted.pdf](#) 

*Motion to close the public hearing.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie
Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Motion Carries 5-0

- 3.01 Review & Vote on an All Alcohol On Premises License Transfer from Won More Time LLC dba Chickie Flynns to Laced Pizza & Pub LLC dba Laced Pizza & Pub at 94 Washington Street. Chad McGrath, owner. Looking for an all alcohol on premises license transfer. Soft opening in the next week or two post the health inspection and will do take out until the liquor license transfer is approved. Will be strict with patrons coming into the restaurant with open containers. 15 restaurant spots will be available during game days.

**Motion to approve an All Alcohol On Premises License Transfer from Won More Time LLC dba Chickie Flynns to Laced Pizza & Pub LLC dba Laced Pizza & Pub at 94 Washington Street.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie
Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Carried 5-0

4. 7:25pm - Clerk's Office - Early Voting

- 4.01 Discuss & Vote to confirm In Person Early Voting Hours for the period of October 21, 2024 through October 25, 2024. Bob Cutler, Town Clerk. Based on population, we can limit the time for week one and then be open the full time the week of the election. When we were open six hours for the last election, we only had two people come in that Saturday at 9am. The entire week we only saw 88 residents.

**Motion to confirm In Person Early Voting Hours for the period of October 21, 2024 through October 25, 2024.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino
Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie
Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Carried 5-0

5. 7:35pm - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds Reallocation

[FY25 ARPA reallocation documents.pdf](#) 

5.01 Discuss & Vote on the reallocation of ARPA county funds \$176,229.96 for the Fire radio replacement (\$30,000), Fire gas meter replacement (\$15,000), and the rest towards DPW's trackless municipal tractor (\$131,229.96).

Money that we had allocated for a few items we found that we are not allowed to use ARPA fund for those items, so we are back to reallocate. Capital Improvement Planning Committee did meet to make a recommendation to reallocate.

Majority will be towards a machine that DPW did ask for last year, but we did not have the funds. The one we have is six years old so when that is down, the sidewalks suffer especially the plowing. Helping with a component for Police radios, Fire replacement radios.

**Motion to rescind the previous allocation of ARPA funds - \$125,000 for body cameras financing and \$51,229.96 for street sweeper lease.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino
Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie
Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Carried 5-0

**Motion to allocate \$30,000 for radio replacement, \$15,000 for gas meter replacement, and \$131,229.96 for trackless municipal tractor.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino
Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie
Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Carried 5-0

6. 7:45pm - Financial Policies Update

6.01 Discuss & Vote on the updated Financial Policies.

[Financial Policy Recommendations Memo.pdf](#) 

[Foxborough Financial Policies 062221 Final.pdf](#) 

[Financial Policies Revision Presentation \(2024.09.24\).pptx](#) 

Marie Almodovar, Finance Director presented. Will update
Board of Selectmen to Select Board.

**Motion to approve the updated Financial Policies.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino
Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie
Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Carried 5-0

7. 8:05pm - Town Manager's Update

7.01 Around Town: Special Town Meeting, Monday, November 18,
2024 at 7pm at Foxborough High School. Financial Summit,
Tuesday, November 26, 2024, at 5:30 pm in Gala Meeting
Room. MBTA Communities meetings, September 25, 2024,
and October 9, 2024. Power Forward Program. Mass Gaming
Commission site visit, Monday, October 29, 2024. Union
Negotiations Update. Tri Town Chamber guest speaker.
Bench Update

[BenchesRequests- 09-19-24.pdf](#) 

Around Town Updates:

Reminder: Special Town Meeting, Monday, November 18, 2024, at 7 pm at FHS. 13 articles. AdCom will begin meeting October 2nd then again October 30th.

Financial Summit, Tuesday, November 26, 2024, at 5:30 pm in Gala Meeting Room.

MBTA Communities meetings: September 25, 2024, and October 9, 2024.

Residents will be receiving mailers regarding Foxborough's Power Forward (the Town's group electricity buying program). New contract will lock in prices for two years beginning on December bill. For non-green option, electric supply rate will change from 16.74 ¢ / kWh to 13.727 ¢ / kWh (National Grid is currently around 16.055 ¢ / kWh)

Select Board members invited to attend a site visit by Mass Gaming Commission on Monday, October 29, 2024, from 1-3 pm at Marilyn Rodman Performing Arts Center.

Commissioners, Massachusetts Cultural Council, local delegation and businesses and others will be in attendance.

Meetings with unions have begun in preparation for negotiations for new contracts.

10/2 – Tri Town Chamber breakfast – I will be speaking to group re economic development/state of affairs in Foxborough.

10/24 – I have been asked to speak at the Neponset Valley Chamber's "chamber talks" meeting.

Healey-Driscoll administration and the Executive Office of Public Safety and Security (EOPSS) informed Foxborough that we are recipients of the recent competitive application process for the FY25 Municipal Road Safety Grant Program and the State Agency Traffic Safety Grant Program. These programs utilize federal grant funds awarded to the Office of Grants and Resources (OGR) by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to reduce roadway crashes, injuries, fatalities, and associated economic losses in Massachusetts. Grant: \$22,489.72

- 7.02 Human Resources: Current Open Positions - Conservation Agent – due to retirement of Jane Pierce, DPW Public Works Engineer, DPW Equipment mechanic, DPW Water Technician I.

Recreation Director – entering interview phase.

Conservation Agent – due to retirement of Jane Pierce

DPW Public Works Engineer - The primary purpose of this position is to provide technical support and project management assistance to any public works or town projects as assigned by the Town Engineer or Director of Public Works.

DPW Equipment mechanic

DPW Water Technician I

Recreation Director – entering interview phase.

7.03 Construction Update: Walnut Street,
Mechanic/Rockhill/Market Streets, Cocasset Street.

Walnut Street and Route 140 Intersection Upgrades

Work associated with the housing complex and intersection upgrades is ongoing which may result in occasional road closures on Walnut Street at Commercial Street during construction hours. We are trying to work with the Contractor/MassDOT to provide better forecasting of road closures for residents.

We have received an initial draft of plans for the extension of the low-pressure sewer line to the Taylor School by way of North High Street. EPA approval is required for use of grant funding before this work can begin.

Paving Schedule

Mechanic/Rockhill/Market – The contractor continues to work primarily in the Market Street area. They have started to remove certain driveway aprons to ensure compliance with ADA standards.

DPW Garage Expansion and Renovation

Forested area at the east end of the lot has been cleared, this area will be used as the temporary construction entrance and site of construction trailer for monitoring of site activity.

Removal of fuel island/tanks has commenced by subcontractor in coordination with Health and Fire department oversight.

Roof repairs and new garage door installation for existing facility is ongoing, but nearing completion.

Cocasset Street New Sidewalk (Ledgeville to Chestnut)

Installation of granite curbing has started on the Chestnut Street end of the project and is progressing west toward Town center. Temporary road closures may occur primarily affecting eastbound traffic toward Mansfield with a short detour through Elm Street and Winter Street. Contractor and sheriff's office have been reminded that bus traffic is to be given priority and allowed through construction areas, if safe to do so.

Cocasset Street Water Trench under Rail Crossing Bridge

The water main patch underneath the rail crossing bridge on Cocasset Street near East Street has been paved. Barrells will be removed.

New online dashboard launched called Community. The site is on the Select Board page. This is a tool the Select Board will use but is also a public site where residents can see the posted agendas, approved meeting minutes and adopted policies. A new feature is within the posted agenda are links for all documents that the Select Board reviews. School Committee will also use this platform and will launch late Fall. Residents can subscribe to any Select Board or School Committee notifications.

- 7.04 Town Property: Taylor School Trunk or Treat at the Schneider Parking Lot October 28, 2024 5pm to 6pm.

[102824_Taylor PTO Trunk or Treat License.pdf](#) 

8. 8:15pm - Select Board Update

- 8.01 New Business: Boards & Committees Agenda and Minutes Reminder.

By October 8th, those that have not been sworn in, will not be able to participate in any meetings until they see the Town Clerk. Boards and Committees need to post the posted agenda and approved meeting minutes to the Town website.

Posting just with the Town Clerk with the agenda but all stamped agendas and minutes need to be on the Town website.

- 8.02 Old Business: Special Town Meeting Warrant officially closed on September 13th. Total of 13 articles. MBTA Communities update for tomorrow night at 6pm in the Gala Room. October 9th will be the final MBTA Communities meeting.

9. Action Items

- 9.01 Extended Hours Request - The Harp Patriot Place located at 200 Patriot Place and Jake N Joes at 25 Foxborough Boulevard to serve alcohol on October 20, 2024 starting at 9am as the Patriot's game is played in London.

** Motion to approve the Extended Hours Request for The Harp Patriot Place located at 200 Patriot Place and Jake N Joes at 25 Foxborough Boulevard to serve alcohol on October 20, 2024 starting at 9am as the Patriot's game is played in London.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Carried 5-0

- 9.02 Select Board - Appoint Gary Whitehouse to the Veteran Services Advisory Committee with a term to end May 31, 2025.

**Motion to appoint Gary Whitehouse to the Veteran Services Advisory Committee with a term to end May 31, 2025.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Bill Yukna, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

No Stephanie McGowan and Debbie Giardino

Carried 3-2

9.03 Select Board - Appoint Gary Whitehouse to the Permanant Municipal & School Building Committee with a term to end May 31, 2027.

**Motion to appoint Gary Whitehouse to the Permanant Municipal & School Building Committee with a term to end May 31, 2027.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Bill Yukna, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

No Stephanie McGowan and Debbie Giardino

Carried 3-2

9.04 Select Board - Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from September 10, 2024.

[Select Board Meeting - Sep 10 2024 - Minutes - Html](#) 

**Motion to approve theSelect Board Meeting Minutes from September 10, 2024.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Carried 5-0

10. Adjourn

**Motion to adjourn.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie

Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Carried 5-0