

Select Board Meeting - December 17, 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 - Introduction to the new Conservation Agent

2.01 Welcome Nadiya Chalak!

3. 7:10pm - Audit Committee - Audit Firm Review: Clifton, Larson, Allen (CLA), Marcum (now CBIZ), & Hague, Sahady & Co.

3.01 Audit Committee review of audit firm interviews by Finance Director, Marie Almodovar & Audit Committee Chair, Paul Ivanoskis.

> The Town has had the same audit firm since before Randy Scollins who was appointed in 2004 so an RFQ was sent out to find a new firm to assist. Baseline was at least 50 audits in the last 5 years. Received three responses total that were interviewed by the Audit Committee who also reviewed the RFQ submitted by each. The technology audit would be separate for all three firms outside of their base fee. Dennis acknowledged Marie, Brendan, Paul and all of the Audit Committee who did a remarkable job on the interviewing and references checks.

Terms were changed from staggered appointments for the committee but now they all expire after three-year terms.

Everyone is off that committee come the end of June. We can change the by-law change to go back to staggered.

3.02 Vote on Audit Committee recommendation. The Audit Committees recommendation is to hire Clifton, Larson, Allen (CLA).

**Motion to support the Audit Committee recommendation of hiring Clifton, Larson, Allen (CLA).

Moved by: Debbie Giardino *Seconded by*: Bill Yukna

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

Carried 5-0

4. 7:30pm - 2025 License Renewals

4.01 Select Board to vote on the 2025 license renewals including Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, Auto, and Movie Theater (list of renewals is attached to this Agenda).
Will look into reading in groups or just listing the business and address one time even if they have multiple licenses. List is attached to the agenda.

> **Motion to approve the 2025 license renewals including Alcohol, Common Victualler, Entertainment, Auto, and Movie Theater as read by Katie Lang.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino *Seconded by:* Bill Yukna

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

Carried 5-0

5. 7:40pm - Town Manager's Update

5.01 Around Town:Chestnut Street Water Treatment Plant Improvements, Skipjack's Update, Walnut Knoll Update, Newsletter, Open Board & Committee Seats & Town Hall Holiday Hours.

> On behalf of the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust and the State Treasurer and Receiver General, Deborah Goldberg, I am pleased to inform you that Foxborough's "Chestnut Street Water Treatment Plant Improvements" project has been awarded loan forgiveness for a portion of its loan with the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust. Your loan, DWEC-23-118, for \$10,250,000, will qualify for a subsidy in the amount of \$1,383,750 equal to 13.5% of the original project costs. Walnut Knoll informational session at COA on January 29th at 2 pm. First building estimated to open September 2025 with second building to follow in December. December newsletter available Open seats: GATRA Advisory Board, and others. Holiday hours at Town Hall Christmas Eve – close at noon Closed Christmas day Open 12/26 and 12/27 normal hours Close at 4 pm on New Years Eve (12/31) Open 1/2 and 1/3 normal hours

- 5.02 Human Resources: Department Administrator Building Inspections, Assistant Director of Public Works/Town Engineer, Building Custodian - COA & Human Services, DPW Equipment mechanic, DPW Laborer/Driver, DPW Water Technician I
- 5.03 Town Property: Boyden Library Mini Big Top Circus Performance on the Town Common April 26, 2025.

6. 7:45pm - Select Board Update

6.01 New Business- Three-week holiday break. Next meeting is January 7, 2025.

Norwood Hospital update calls have been put on hold. Dennis will attempt to join.

Shout out to the Boys Varsity Football team on their Superbowl game - great fight, great season.

6.02 Old Business

7. Action Items

7.01 Select Board to approve the request for committee appointment application submitted by Paul Dumas to be appointed to the Norfolk County Advisory Board for a term to end May 31, 2025.

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Moved by: Debbie Giardino *Seconded by:* Bill Yukna

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

Carried 5-0

 7.02 Steve's Lakeview Inc. dba Lakeview Pavillion, 45 Lakeview Road - Extended Hours Request for all Sundays in 2025 to begin alcohol service starting at 10am. <u>112024 Lakeview ltr</u> to BOS requesting 2025 10am opening on Sundays.pdf Ø

> **Motion to approve Steve's Lakeview Inc. dba Lakeview Pavillion, 45 Lakeview Road, Extended Hours Request for all Sundays in 2025 to begin alcohol service starting at 10am.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino *Seconded by:* Bill Yukna

YesStephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, DebbieGiardino, Mark Elfman, and Dennis Keefe

Carried 5-0

7.03 Nirvi Inc. dba Ambrosia, 2 Washington Street - Request for Extended Hours Request for December 31, 2024 to extend the Entertainment License hours to 2am (January 1, 2025).

Ambrosia New Years extension 1.pdf 🖉

**Motion to approve Nirvi Inc. dba Ambrosia, 2 Washington Street - Request for Extended Hours Request for December 31, 2024 to extend the Entertainment License hours to 2am (January 1, 2025).

Any Discussion: No issues with the building so Inspections has signed off. Health has signed off. Police and Fire are on board with this request as Police will have a detail. Alcohol will need to be off the tables at 1am.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino *Seconded by:* Bill Yukna

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

Carried 5-0

7.04 Donation - Accept the donation from Foxboro Animal Hospital in the amount of \$340 to assist with the Common Christmas Lights.

> **Motion to accept the donation from Foxboro Animal Hospital in the amount of \$340 to assist with the Common Christmas Lights.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino *Seconded by:* Bill Yukna

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

Carried 5-0

7.05 Select Board - Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from December 3, 2024.

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**Motion to approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from December 3, 2024.

Moved by: Debbie Giardino *Seconded by:* Bill Yukna

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

Carried 5-0

8. Adjourn