

**Tuesday, August 7, 2018
Board of Selectmen's Meeting
Foxborough Town Hall
Andrew Gala Meeting Room
7:00 p.m.**

Members present: Chris Mitchell, Chair
Mark Elfman, Vice Chair
Leah Gibson, Clerk
James DeVellis
David Feldman

Others present: William Keegan, Jr., Town Manager
Michael Johns, Veterans Services Director
Amanda Smith, Community Information Specialist

Minutes generated by Amanda Smith

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by C. Mitchell.

1. Citizen's Input

No citizens came before the Board for citizen's input.

2. Veterans Services / Purple Heart Recognition

C. Mitchell thanked Mike Johns, Jack Authelet and Veterans Services for starting this tradition in Town. C. Mitchell gave a summary of the history of Purple Heart Day in the United States. Jack Authelet, Town Historian, joined Mike Johns, Veterans Services Director, to honor those from Foxborough as Purple Heart Recipients. M. Johns said it has been about 7 years since the Town started this recognition day as tradition and it started with the BOS approaching him to do it here on a local level. He said to date, there have been 87 Purple Heart recipients in Town, including the five at tonight's meeting. He added the Town is proud to honor them and recognize them during this tradition.

J. Authelet came before the Board to recognize four Foxborough Purple Heart recipients, posthumously. J. Authelet recalled the heroic pasts of each of the four recipients for the record. The four World War II recipients were Everett White, Victor Ouimet, Clinton Davison and Harvey Nesbit. Shayne Cossette, an Iraq and Afghanistan War Veteran, was also honored as a Purple Heart Veteran. M. Johns added that some of the honorees tonight did not receive their Purple Hearts as they were killed in action or declared missing at the time. J. Authelet expressed the importance of localizing this national award; it means that much more.

Earl Ferguson, a member of the White Family, received the certificate on behalf of Mr. White. M. Johns read the certificate for Everett White into the record. J. Authelet told the Board of another living member of Everett's family who will also receive a certificate.

M. Johns read the certificate into the record for Shayne Cossette. M. Johns added that Shayne's name is engraved on the Town's Global War on Terror Memorial on the Common.

The Board thanked Jack and Mike for their work and for presenting tonight.

3. Public Hearing - New England Patriots Home Games

Documents: 2018 Season application; public hearing notice; advertisement in local paper; SAC Report; Gillette Stadium Indemnification agreement; Gillette Stadium Security Agreement

L. Gibson read the public hearing notice into the record.

Jess Enos, Gillette Stadium, and George Bell, Stadium Advisory Committee (SAC), came before the Board to discuss the application for the New England Patriots 2018 season home games. J. Enos explained the application before the Board for approval. She added this year there is no large-scale stadium project that would require changes to operations. She said they request the lots open 4 hours before games and the gates 2 hours before games. J. Enos said the Stadium will continue to use full body scans and the clear bag policy. She added the Gillette Stadium and New England Patriots apps are increasingly useful tools for day-of information and as a tool to communicate important messages to ticketholders to prevent confusion and ensure efficiency. She said the Stadium continues to see a rise of rideshare options; the Stadium works with Uber exclusively but do allow Lyft and other rideshare options to pick up and drop off. She said the MBTA will be running for these home games. She said the Stadium will be installing wind walls on the 300 level for safety and comfort reasons. The Stadium is pushing the mobile ticketing platform this year, but season ticketholders still have physical tickets. She said mobile ticketing helps cut down on fraud. She added the organization started a new quarterly forum last January with season ticketholders that are also Foxborough residents to improve communication with these important groups and learn from the guests where to improve and what is working well. She said they have held three so far and have been successful. C. Mitchell asked what suggestions they have taken and used; J. Enos said now they do an exclusive raffle for season ticket holders that are also Foxborough residents.

G. Bell said there are three 8:20 p.m. games that could present more traffic stress; a busy season. He added that local public safety teams have been working closely with state and national agencies to improve and maintain safety at the stadium. He said the texting feature has been a positive addition in the event help is needed.

No public comment.

Motion to Close the public hearing made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

Motion to Approve application made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

4. Public Hearing - Nirvi Inc. / Change of Manager, Pledge and Transfer of All Alcohol License Transfer

Documents: Application; Public Hearing notice; Advertisement; Common Victualler application; 7-Day Entertainment application

L. Gibson read the public hearing notice into the record. C. Mitchell summarized the request from the applicant's attorney to continue the public hearing to the BOS meeting on August 21, 2018.

Motion made to continue the public hearing to the August 21, 2018 BOS meeting made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman.

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

5. GMRI Inc. d/b/a Olive Garden Italian Restaurant #1808 - Change of Manager from Jade Ros to Shalom S. Bennett

Documents: Change of Manager Form

Shalom Bennett came before the Board and the new general manager at Olive Garden at Patriot Place. Been with OG for 12 years, been new GM at this location for approx. 1 month. Recertified all standards since coming to this location. Has never had an alcohol violations in his career. Worked prior with Joe's American Bar and Grill and began at age 14 washing dishes. C. Mitchell asked if S. Bennett knew anything about FoxCares Group and D. Feldman said the group will reach out to him. D. Feldman summarized the efforts of FoxCares.

Motion to Approve Change of Manager at Olive Garden made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

6. Mark Ferencik / Foxborough Historical Commission - Appointment of Associate Member

Documents: Letter to BOS from Historical Commission Chair

Mark Ferencik, Chairman of Foxborough Historic Commission, and Mary Lou Hawkins came before the Board. Mary Lou gave a bit about her background as a realtor and her love for the community.

Motion to Appoint Mary Lou Hawkins to the Foxborough Historical Commission made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

B. Keegan called attention to the new piece of history located in the entrance to Town Hall. M. Ferencik said it is the cotton spinning wheel depicted in the new wooden carved Town seal.

7. Close Special Town Meeting Warrant

Documents: Draft List of Warrant Articles

C. Mitchell asked if anyone on the Board had any questions. B. Keegan said this draft included more articles than anticipated and he said staff will review this more to find any that can be moved to the annual town meeting. B. Keegan recommended the Board make a motion to close the warrant to ensure more are not added. J. DeVellis asked B. Keegan to go through this draft list for the public to give them as much information as possible. B. Keegan reviewed the list for the record in brief. M. B. Keegan continued to summarize the draft list of articles as of today. C. Mitchell asked if the BOS could see this bylaw and B. Keegan said they will share the Canvassers/Solicitors by-law with the BOS when language is finalized and the article is prepared. B. Keegan said some may not be ready in time and will be delayed for the annual town meeting.

Motion made to close warrant made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

8. Selectmen's Update

M. Elfman said the slabs were poured today for the picnic tables on the Common by Foxborough DPW. C. Mitchell thanked the Kraft Organization for the free in-stadium practice last Monday, July 30th.

9. Town Manager's Update

B. Keegan thanked the Fire Department and staff for submitting for the grant application to purchase a new fire truck; the Town was awarded the grant. He said Congressman Kennedy was in Town to visit the Fire Department and B. Keegan said he thanked him personally.

B. Keegan said the Town has a new COA/HS Director, Marc Craig, who will be at the next BOS meeting on August 21st to introduce himself. BK said the interview panel included the COA, Friends of Foxboro Seniors, BOS Chairman Chris Mitchell, and Town Administrators (B. Keegan, M. Bernard and M. Johns). He said Marc will bring a unique direction to the COA/HS. Pam McGuire is the Interim Director until Marc begins after Labor Day. He added that the Town is excited to welcome him and grateful for Pam stepping in.

B. Keegan said SEMRECC selected the High Rock site as their future site and the SEMRECC Board is now in the process of purchasing the site for \$10.00. M. Elfman said he had the opportunity to view the building last week with B. Keegan and said it is incredible and the potential for its future use as SEMRECC is amazing. B. Keegan added that the recording of the SEMRECC meeting held at Mansfield Town Hall has been broadcast on FCATV and online.

B. Keegan said the Town sent a letter to MassDEP requesting an extension of the public hearing for the Final Draft PSS. He said he is working on getting the LSP contracted by the NRRC to appear at the next BOS meeting. C. Mitchell asked if the Town has reached out to Schneider Electric. B. Keegan said not yet as they were waiting to hear from the LSP. B. Keegan said he can reach out to them to let them know what the Town is doing.

B. Keegan recapped the ongoing recruitments: Inspections Department Administrator, Fire Chief, and Veteran Services Director. He said the Fire Chief search should start by the end of August/early September.

M. Johns echoed B. Keegan's excitement for the new COA/HS Director and that the selection process was difficult as the final three applicants were all great candidates. M. Johns said the last few weeks have been busy and exciting for him and has been working to get up to speed with the human resources side of the role; acknowledged it was a concern of the Board. He said he feels fortunate to have the 6-month training schedule; both for him and the Town.

M. Johns added

10. Action Items

10.01 Knights of Columbus Foxboro Council 6063- Approval for collection of donations at road entrances of The Common on 10/6/18 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Documents: Public event application

Motion to Approve Knights of Columbus collection of donations at road entrances of the Common on 10/6/18 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

10.02 Approval of a Block Party application by Stacie Miller of 12 Carroll Drive on September 22, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with rain date of September 23, 2018

Documents: Block party application

Motion to Approve a Block Party application by Stacie Miller of 12 Carroll Drive on September 22, 2018 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. with rain date of September 23, 2018 made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

10.03 Veterans Services- Acceptance of a Gift Donation of \$5,273.03 from the American Legion Post 93 for the Iraq and Afghanistan War Memorial
Documents: Gift donation form

Motion to Approve a Gift Donation of \$5,273.03 from the American Legion Post 93 for the Iraq and Afghanistan War Memorial made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

Discussion: M. Johns said the original goal was \$60,000 to get everything on the Town Common now from lighting to benches and landscaping and the American Legion has stepped up to close the gap. C. Mitchell thanked Veterans Services and the American Legion for their efforts and donations.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

10.04 COA/HS - Acceptance of Gift Donation of \$100.00 to the Council on Aging/Human Services from Walter Gorman for programs and services to benefit the community
Documents: Gift donation form

Motion to Accept a Gift Donation of \$100.00 to the Council on Aging/Human Services from Walter Gorman for programs and services to benefit the community made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

10.05 COA/HS - Acceptance of Gift Donation of \$210.00 to the Council on Aging/Human Services from Friends of Foxboro Seniors to be used toward Tai Chi programs
Documents: Gift donation form

Motion to Accept a Gift Donation of \$210.00 to the Council on Aging/Human Services from Friends of Foxboro Seniors to be used toward Tai Chi programs made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

10.06 COA/HS - Acceptance of Gift Donation of \$50.00 to the Council on Aging/Human Services from Marsha Lewicke in memory of Bob Lomus
Documents: Gift donation form

Motion to Accept a Gift Donation of \$50.00 to the Council on Aging/Human Services from Marsha Lewicke in memory of Bob Lomus made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

10.07 Fire Department - Acceptance of a Gift Donation of \$36.00 to the Fire Department from Charles and Jean Albert
Documents: Gift donation form

Motion to Approve a Gift Donation of \$36.00 to the Fire Department from Charles and Jean Albert made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

10.08 Library - Acceptance of Gift Donation of \$100.00 to the Boyden Library from Walter Gorman as a general donation

Documents: Gift donation form

Motion to Accept a Gift Donation of \$100.00 to the Boyden Library from Walter Gorman as a general donation made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Result: Motion Carries 5-0-0

12. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. made by L. Gibson, motion made second by M. Elfman

No further discussion.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5-0-0