

## **Select Board Meeting - October 21, 2025 Minutes**

at 7:00 PM

Gala Room Foxborough Town Hall 40 South Street

Select Board Members in attendance: Bill Yukna, Stephanie McGowan, Amy LaBrache, Mark Elfman, Debbie Giardino

## 1. 7:00pm - Citizen's Input

1.01 Citizen's Input

## 2. 7:05pm - Joint Meeting with the Planning Board: Board Appointment

2.01 Select Board and Planning Board to vote to appoint Tom Murphy to the Planning Board for a term to end May 3, 2026. Vacant seat on the Planning Board. Tom Murphy has been the Associate member for the last 5 years so the way the Board functions is they appoint the Associate to a full member for a term to end May 3, 2025. There will be an opening for an Associate member on the planning board. Tom is the chair of the Economic Development Committee as well.

\*\*Motion to appoint Tom Murphy to the Planning Board for a term to end May 3, 2026.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie

Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Amy LaBrache

Carried. Joint vote with members of the Planning Board.

7:15pm - Public Hearing: Application for a Transfer of License of an On Premises Annual All Alcohol Beverages License from Olsen Restaurant Group Foxboro LLC dba Axel & Byrne BBQ, 267 Patriot Place, Foxborough, MA, to Angel's Cafe of Foxboro LLC dba Angel's Cafe.
\*At the request of the applicant, continued from October 7, 2025.

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3.01 Review & Vote on an application for a Transfer of License of an On Premises Annual All Alcohol Beverages License from Olsen Restaurant Group Foxboro LLC dba Axel & Byrne BBQ, 267 Patriot Place, Foxborough, MA, to Angel's Cafe of Foxboro LLC dba Angel's Cafe.

Brian Early, Patriot Place. Introduce Angel's Cafe that is taking over the former Axel & Byrne Cafe. They have a successful operation in Sharon. Erez Haas, Business Consultant & Ohad Agel, owner and operator. Sharon has an all-alcohol license and will launch that side of the business when this opens. All managers and anyone serving alcohol will be Tips certified. Want it to be a destination restaurant. This is a name that people recognize and there is a serious demand from the healthcare professionals on site that need options as this cafe. Open in 4-6 weeks even if they do not have the liquor license.

\*\*Motion to close the public hearing. (Roll Call Vote)

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Amy LaBrache

Carried. Roll Call Vote. 5-0

\*\*Motion to approve the application for a Transfer of License of an On Premises Annual All Alcohol Beverages License from Olsen Restaurant Group Foxboro LLC dba Axel & Byrne BBQ, 267 Patriot Place, Foxborough, MA, to Angel's Cafe of Foxboro LLC dba Angel's Cafe.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman,

Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

3.02 Review & Vote on an Annual Entertainment license application for Angel's Cafe of Foxboro LLC dba Angel's Cafe, located at 267 Patriot Place.

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\*\*Motion to approve an Annual Entertainment license application for Angel's Cafe of Foxboro LLC dba Angel's Cafe, located at 267 Patriot Place.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman,

Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

3.03 Review & Vote on a Common Victualler license application for Angel's Cafe of Foxboro LLC dba Angel's Cafe, located at 267 Patriot Place.

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\*\*Motion to approve a Common Victualler license application for Angel's Cafe of Foxboro LLC dba Angel's Cafe, located at 267 Patriot Place.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman,

## Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

#### **Motion Carries 5-0**

## 4. 7:25pm - Fire Grant Acceptance

4.01 Award & Acceptance of \$76,181.81 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG).

Chief Michael Kelleher & Assistant Chief Tom Kenvin. Lack of healthcare capacity currently is longer than normal due to wait times and distance. Population is aging especially over the next 10 years with expected 15 million Americans over 85 years old which is the age group that is most serviced by the department. Increase in run volume post Covid. Apparatus Repair Program and ambulance receipts can fund these positions once the grant money is gone. Sharon also received this grant so they will be adding to their team. The Fire Department is the only department in Town that has a revenue generating source that is based on staffing. Finance has confirmed that we can sustain these added staff once grant funding has expired. The \$76,181.81 will fund a new exhaust system that has been broken the last few months which is a new system that takes the exhaust out of the building so there are no fumes on the floor. The mechanic's bay is another revenue source to the Town.

\*\*Motion to accept \$76,181.81 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG).

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Amy LaBrache

Carried 5-0

4.02 Award & Acceptance of \$1,399,125.95 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant.

\*\*Motion to accept \$1,399,125.95 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

Yes

Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman, Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

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

## 5.01 Around Town:

- Financial Summit December 2, 2025 at 5:30pm in the Gala Meeting Room. Advisory Committee & School Committee to attend.
- Reminder: Short term rentals prohibited by zoning in Foxborough, as is selling parking spaces unless commercial parking lot.

Coming soon: Rave Emergency Alerts. Stay tuned for registration information.

 Employee Appreciation Event: Morning of November 13, 2025. Town Hall will open at 11am.

#### 5.02 Grant:

\$24,000 to address community safety needs, modernize equipment, and expand innovative prevention strategies. \$10,000 grant from the Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association (MIIA) to purchase Fleet Management software utilized by the Department of Public Works and a yearly membership to MS-ISAC for out Information Technology department.

- 5.03 Veterans: Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11, 2025 at 11am at Community Center.
- 5.04 Communications: FCA show with Marc Craig and Chris Gallagher which is focused on building project updates has aired on Foxborough Cable Access (FCA).
- 5.05 Human Resources: Tree & Parks Division Laborer/Driver and a Program Coordinator -Little Rec-Kers

## 6. 7:50pm - Select Board Update

#### 6.01 New Business

Amy LaBrache - Recognizing Mr & Mrs Lucas who recently passed away and thank them for their contributions to the Town.

Deb & Steph to be judges of the Halloween parade costume contest.

Community Center Resource Fair was packed! Local groups and others to offer information to residents. Very well put on and well attended.

#### 6.02 Old Business

# 7. 8:00pm - Introduction to the new part-time Community Response Social Worker

#### 7.01 Welcome Victoria Allen!

Christina LaRose, Director of Clinic Services & Victoria Allen, Community Response Social Worker. The need is there to add under Christina to help with substance assistance. Availability to be flexible for nights and weekends and allow for tasks to be jointly worked on. Role is still part-time but we have an article coming to Town Meeting that might help fund this position as full-time. The needs of the Health Department would be absorbed in this budget and use the grant funds to move to full-time.

## 8. Action Items

8.01 One Day Beer & Wine License Application - Approve a One Day Beer & Wine License application for TAPPED Beer Truck to host an event at Normandy Farms Campground, 72 West Street on October 25, 2025 and November 1, 2025 from 5pm to 10pm.

\*\*Motion to a prove a One Day Beer & Wine License application for TAPPED Beer Truck to host an event at Normandy Farms Campground, 72 West Street on October 25, 2025 and November 1, 2025 from 5pm to 10pm. Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

Yes Stephanie McGowan, Bill Yukna, Debbie

Giardino, Mark Elfman, and Amy LaBrache

Carried 5-0

8.02 National Grid - Approve National Grid to install pullbox over existing underground primary at south comer of Abbie Ln and Windsor Dr and wire from there up Abbie Ln to end of the culde-sac.

\*\*Motion to approve National Grid to install pullbox over existing underground primary at south comer of Abbie Ln and Windsor Dr and wire from there up Abbie Ln to end of the culde-sac.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman, Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

8.03 National Grid - Approve National Grid to Install 1 JO Pole on Washington St, beginning at a point approximately 950ft Southwest of the centerline of the intersection of Washington St - Patriot Pl. National Grid is proposing to install a new utility pole P.62-50 and AMI EMR for AMI FAN project on P.62-50, Washington St.

\*\*Motion to approve National Grid to Install 1 JO Pole on Washington St, beginning at a point approximately 950ft Southwest of the centerline of the intersection of Washington St - Patriot Pl. National Grid is proposing to install a new utility pole P.62-50 and AMI EMR for AMI FAN project on P.62-50, Washington St.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

Yes Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman,

Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

8.04 Memorial Bench - Approve a Memorial Bench in memory of Billy Wilson.

\*\*Motion to approve a Memorial Bench in memory of Billy Wilson.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman,

Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

8.05 Donation - Approve the \$1200 donation for the memorial bench in memory of Billy Wilson.

\*\*Motion to approve the \$1200 donation for the memorial bench in memory of Billy Wilson.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman,

Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

8.06 Memorial Bench - Approve a Memorial Bench in memory of Richard A. Hogan, Jr.

\*\*Motion to approve a Memorial Bench in memory of Richard A. Hogan, Jr.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman, Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

8.07 Donation - Approve the \$1200 donation for the memorial bench in memory of Richard A. Hogan, Jr.

\*\*Motion to approve the \$1200 donation for the memorial bench in memory of Richard A. Hogan, Jr.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman,

Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

8.08 Donation - Accept a donation in the amount of \$1521.64 by Gary Whitehouse for the Veteran's Day Celebration Lunch.

\*\*Motion to accept a donation in the amount of \$1521.64 by Gary Whitehouse for the Veteran's Day Celebration Lunch.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman,

Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

8.09 Select Board - Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from October 7, 2025.

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\*\*Motion to approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from October 7, 2025.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

**Yes** Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman,

Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0** 

## 9. Adjourn

\*\*Motion to adjourn.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache Seconded by: Mark Elfman

Yes Bill Yukna, Debbie Giardino, Mark Elfman,

Stephanie McGowan, and Amy LaBrache

**Motion Carries 5-0**