



## **Select Board Meeting - January 20, 2026 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 - Welcome Raftelis, Town's Strategic Plan Consultant (via Zoom)**

2.01 Strategic Plan Introduction & Update by Raftelis.

Sheryl Trent, Principal Consultant & Maddie Shea, Consultant at Raftelis review of the Strategic Plan timeline, what they have done with the town team thus far and what the plan is moving forward.

Community engagement to include Founders Day and possible large "community meetings." working on flyers, communications, ways for people to answer questions and people who normally don't participate. Town team will have a Founders Day booth with bubbles and face paint to distract kids so we can chat with the parents - get more people involved. Using all types of methods - mail, social media (facebook, polls, etc.). More to come.

Neil Kaiser, Ridge Road - data from past Community Center events has been passed along to Raftelis while more data is coming in.

[Raftelis PP Jan20.pdf](#)

### **3. 7:25pm -12th Annual Foxborough Clean Up Day**

3.01 12th Annual Foxborough Clean Up Day set for Saturday, April 11, 2026, presented by Foxborough Clean Up Day Committee. Joe Gerraughty, Planning Committee of the Foxborough Clean Up Day. Day to start at Schneider Electric Picnic Grove with coffee and donuts then off to clean their respective areas and a final gathering back at the same spot for a pizza party. Great way to get outside after a long winter and kick off Spring!

### **4. 7:35pm -Street Naming Process**

4.01 Discuss & Review Street naming process at the request of Neil Kaiser. Neil Kaiser, Ridge Road & Mark Ferencik, Chair of the Historical Commission. Looking to have the rank of the soldier needs to be in front of the name of the street. Mark of the Historical Commission agrees that the rank should also be on the street. Public Safety has expressed concerns that having Lt. XYZ on a number of streets would be confusing on a time of stress and instead offered an additional plaque on the street sign to honor the individual. Possibly with the branch and the rank. The plaque above a street sign gives a bit more of recognition in a way because it has more information, possible branch, years, etc. Board will keep the same process that is in place.

### **5. 7:50pm - Licensing Procedure & Regulations for Commercial Parking Policy**

5.01 Discuss & Vote on updating the Town's Licensing Procedure & Regulations for Commercial Parking to authorize ticket-only for certain Gillette Stadium events as determined by Police Chief.

[Commercial Park R&R Updated\\_Final 012026.pdf](#) 

Chief Grace to review. This comes post a Satellite Commercial Parking Lot License Holder Meeting today. All stems from un-ticketed fans coming to Gillette for FIFA World Cup. In the

Entertainment License there is an item where the Chief can implement that an individual needs an official ticket in order to get into the parking lot. This is only when the Chief enforces this line item. In the Rules and Regulations, this is now #11. If this is enforced, the lot holder will need to turn the car away. No ticket, no entry. Soccer fans like to gather before the match, sing, drums and then march to the pitch - some are organized and other are "pop ups." We will have a soft ticket check, ticket check, security check and other points to slow the entry process and minimize crowd surges. We will do everything we can as a town to keep everyone away that does not have a ticket. Communications will go out as they are produced. See something, say something and common sense will prevail.

\*\*Motion to update the Town's Licensing Procedure & Regulations for Commercial Parking as discussed.

*Moved by:* Amy LaBrache

*Seconded by:* Mark Elfman

**Yes**

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

**Carried 5-0**

**6. 8:05pm - Award the Disposition of Real Property located at 175 Mechanic Street Pursuant to the RFP Process**

6.01 Vote to Award the Disposition of Real Property located at 175 Mechanic Street Pursuant to the RFP Process

Received one bid from the Sage School. Offered one dollar more than the minimum bid. This vote will move along the process.

\*\*Motion to award the Disposition of Real Property located at 175 Mechanic Street Pursuant to the RFP Process to the Sage Center for Learning, Inc. for \$350,001.00.

*Moved by:* Amy LaBrache

*Seconded by:* Mark Elfman

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

**Carried 5-0**

## 7. **8:15pm - Town Manager's Update**

### 7.01 Around Town:

- Annual Town Meeting: May 11, 2026, Warrant closed on January 15th.
- Annual Audit is underway and progressing.
- World Cup Update:
  - License status: Awaiting FIFA response to town comments.
  - Coordinating with Stadium Advisory Committee.
  - Reminder: Short term rentals prohibited by zoning in Foxborough, as is selling parking spaces unless commercial parking lot.
- 50+ calendar year 2026 Gillette events

  

1. January 4, 2026 – New England Patriots vs. Miami Dolphins
2. January 11, 2026 – New England Patriots vs. Los Angeles Chargers: Wild Card
3. January 18, 2026 – New England Patriots vs. Pittsburgh Steelers/ Houston Texans: Divisional
4. March 7, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Houston Dynamo FC
5. March 14, 2026 – Boston Legacy FC: Home Opener\*
6. March 15, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. FC Cincinnati
7. March 26, 2026 – Brazil vs. France: International Friendly
8. April 4, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. CF Montréal
9. April 11, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. DC United
10. April 18, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Columbus Crew
11. May 2, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Charlotte FC
12. May 9, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Philadelphia Union

13. May 13, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Nashville SC
14. May 16, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Minnesota United FC
15. Stadium Lockdown Day 1
16. Stadium Lockdown Day 2
17. Stadium Lockdown Day 3
18. June 13, 2026 – 2026 World Cup: Haiti v Scotland
19. June 16, 2026 – 2026 World Cup: IRQ/BOL/SUR v Norway
20. June 19, 2026 – 2026 World Cup: Scotland v Morocco
21. June 23, 2026 – 2026 World Cup: England v Ghana
22. June 26, 2026 – 2026 World Cup: Norway v France
23. June 29, 2026 – 2026 World Cup: Round of 32
24. July 9, 2026 – 2026 World Cup: Quarterfinal
25. July 22, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Toronto FC
26. July 25, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Atlanta United FC
27. August 5, 2026 – BTS
28. August 6, 2026 – BTS
29. Patriots Training Camp
30. Patriots Training Camp
31. Patriots Training Camp
32. Patriots Training Camp
33. Patriots Training Camp in Stadium
34. Patriots Pre-Season
35. Patriots Pre-Season
36. Patriots Game
37. Patriots Game
38. Patriots Game
39. Patriots Game
40. Patriots Game
41. Patriots Game
42. Patriots Game
43. Patriots Game
44. MIIA Superbowl Championship Day 1
45. MIIA Superbowl Championship Day 2
46. MIIA Superbowl Championship Day 3
47. August 23, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. New York City FC
48. August 28, 2026 – Savannah Bananas vs. Loco Beach Coconuts: World Tour 2026

49. August 29, 2026 – Savannah Bananas vs. Loco Beach Coconuts: World Tour 2026
50. September 5, 2026 – Bruno Mars: The Romantic Tour
51. September 6, 2026 – Bruno Mars: The Romantic Tour
52. September 19, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Orlando City SC
53. September 25, 2026 – Ed Sheeran: LOOP Tour
54. September 26, 2026 – Ed Sheeran: LOOP Tour
55. October 2, 2026 – Zach Bryan: With Heaven On Tour
56. October 3, 2026 – Zach Bryan: With Heaven On Tour
57. October 10, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Seattle Sounders FC
58. October 17, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Chicago Fire FC
59. October 28, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. New York Red Bulls
60. October 31, 2026 – 2026 Navy-Notre Dame Game
61. November 1, 2026 – New England Revolution vs. Inter Miami CF
62. Boston Legacy FC TBD\*
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\* Note: Boston Legacy FC will play 15 home games during their inaugural 2026 NWSL season using a dual-venue approach. *Most matches will be at Gillette Stadium in Foxborough, MA, with select games at Centreville Bank Stadium in Pawtucket, RI.* Pawtucket is being used to accommodate scheduling conflicts caused by FIFA World Cup matches at Gillette. Estimated matches in Pawtucket: 2-5. Added to the list was a conservative estimate of 9 additional games plus the known home opener. Could be several more once schedule is announced.

7.02 Communications:

- Working with IT and Facilities on existing digital sign at former Council on Aging
- Foxborough is being recognized with an award for 1st place in Category 2 (population 15,001-30,000) of the Massachusetts Municipal Association's Annual Town Report contest
- Sign up now for FoxAlerts (front page of website). Over 1000 signed up!

**8. 8:25pm - Select Board Update**

8.01 New Business - Veterans Lounge Ribbon Cutting was amazing! Great job to Michelle, her team and all the veterans! Go Pats!

8.02 Old Business

**9. Action Items**

9.01 One Day Beer & Wine Application - Six One Day Beer & Wine Licenses for Be Hoppy Brewing LLC, dba Wormtown Brewery, for February 6th, 7th, 13th, 14th, 20th, 21st, 27th & 28th from 7pm to 11pm at 200 Patriot Place for The Comedy Scene. Updated to eight - typo on the action item.

\*\*Motion to approve eight One Day Beer & Wine Licenses for Be Hoppy Brewing LLC, dba Wormtown Brewery, for February 6th, 7th, 13th, 14th, 20th, 21st, 27th & 28th from 7pm to 11pm at 200 Patriot Place for The Comedy Scene.

*Moved by:* Amy LaBrache

*Seconded by:* Mark Elfman

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

**Carried 5-0**

9.02 National Grid - Select Board to approve the easement to the Massachusetts Electric Company for a new Underground

System at Pole #49 on Spring Street, as approved at Annual Town Meeting in 2025.

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*Moved by:* Amy LaBrache

*Seconded by:* Mark Elfman

**Yes**

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

**Carried 5-0**

9.03 Use of Public Way - Use of Public Way Application for Bailey's Team for Autism on Sunday April 12, 2026 from 6:30am to 11am going down Payson Road towards Chestnut Street, left on Chestnut Street, right on Mechanic Street, right on Railroad Avenue, left on Bird Street, right on Baker Street, left on Chestnut Street and right on Payson road back to the start.

\*\*Motion to approve a Use of Public Way Application for Bailey's Team for Autism on Sunday April 12, 2026 from 6:30am to 11am going down Payson Road towards Chestnut Street, left on Chestnut Street, right on Mechanic Street, right on Railroad Avenue, left on Bird Street, right on Baker Street, left on Chestnut Street and right on Payson road back to the start.

*Moved by:* Amy LaBrache

*Seconded by:* Mark Elfman

**Yes**

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

**Carried 5-0**

9.04 Select Board - Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from January 6, 2026.

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\*\*Motion to approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from January 6, 2026.

*Moved by:* Amy LaBrache

*Seconded by:* Mark Elfman

**Yes**

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

**Carried 5-0**

## **10. Adjourn**

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\*\*Motion to adjourn.

*Moved by:* Amy LaBrache

*Seconded by:* Mark Elfman

**Yes**

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

**Carried 5-0**