



Select Board Meeting - March 17, 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 - Public Hearing: FWC2026 US, Inc Entertainment License Application

[Stamped Public Hearing Notice 031726.pdf](#)  [031726 FWC2026 US Inc Entertainment License Application.pdf](#)  [031126 Commitment Letter Final SB.pdf](#)  [031126 Town Foxborough Letter 3.11.26.pdf](#) 

[031126 Deposit to Purchase Equipment Bos26 Executed with SB.pdf](#)  [SAC FWC 2026 FIFA World Cup Gillette Stadium License Review - 2026 3-16-26.doc](#) 

**Motion to open 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

The Select Board, acting as the Local Licensing Authority pursuant to M.G.L., Chap. 140, Sec. 181 and Sec. 183A and Chap. 136, Sec. 4; Chapter 141 of the Acts of 2020; Code of the Town of Foxborough, Chapter 229; and also Stadium Rules and Regulations, will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, March 17, 2026 beginning at 7:05 p.m. in the Gala Meeting Room, Town Hall, 40 South St., to review the application submitted by FWC2026 US, Inc to conduct live entertainment and sporting events at the premises controlled by FIFA inside Gillette Stadium, such activities comprising seven (7) soccer matches for the 2026 World Cup, along with activity in the parking areas and plazas surrounding the Stadium that is incidental to events being held inside it both on and between matches. Application for this event is on file at the Town Managers Office.

All interested parties are welcome to attend. Posted in the Foxboro Reporter on March 3rd & March 10th, 2026. (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 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

- 2.01 Review & Vote on the application submitted by FWC2026 US, Inc to conduct live entertainment and sporting events at the premises controlled by FIFA inside Gillette Stadium, such activities comprising seven (7) soccer matches for the 2026 World Cup. Mike Loynd, Boston 2026, Gary Ronan, Goulston Storrs & Lou DisSbatino, Chair host city committee. Thank you to the players and teams that worked to come to this agreement. Gary reviewed the funding agreement worked out by all parties involved and how payment will flow during World Cup. Review the proposed application - 7 World Cup Soccer Games and a Stadium Fan Event in parking Lot 22 before every game. The event license outlines public safety, traffic management plan with MassDOT, public health, building and resident areas. FIFA hotline to address complaints.

Chief Grace feels the public safety team is in a good place to host these games. George Bell, Chair of the Stadium Advisory Committee post their public meeting, the committee is in favor of hosting the games.

Ian Cox, resident of Foxborough expressing frustration of no published plan of bussing or train schedules for any of the games, nothing on fan fest. Thankful of the Select Board and the job they did but looking for Boston 2026 to do theirs and post schedules, busing, trains, fan fest and just more details and information.

Bill Yukna, hoping that all of the concerns mentioned by Ian are ones that have been held since the license had not been issued but agrees that Boston 2026 has work to do on being more communicative on schedules, transportation, fan fest and more. There has been a significant amount of planning done in the background and hoping now that plans can be published and shared with the public.

****Motion to approve the entertainment application submitted by FWC2026 US, Inc to conduct live entertainment and sporting events at the premises controlled by FIFA inside Gillette Stadium, such activities comprising seven (7) soccer matches for the 2026 World Cup.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

3. 7:35pm - FY27 Capital Improvement Requests

- 3.01 Review & Vote on FY27 Capital Improvement Requests.

[FY2027 Capital Improvement Plan Materials.pdf](#) 

Review of the list that was approved at the annual capital improvement planning meeting in early March 2026. Review of where the funding was coming from. A number of items did drop off the list or down in the amount requested. The total amount in funds was not spent just in case funds are needed in the Fall.

****Motion to approve the FY27 Capital Improvement Requests**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

4. 7:45pm - Town Manager's Update

4.01 Around Town:

- Strategic Plan update: Listening sessions week of April 14, 2026. Raftelis will be at the April 14, 2026 Select Board meeting.
- Annual Town Meeting Warrant Review: Monday April 27, 2026 at noon in the Gala Meeting Room, Town Hall & on Foxborough Cable Access.
- Annual Town Meeting: Monday May 11, 2026 at 7pm at Foxborough High School.

4.02 World Cup:

- Reminder: Short term rentals prohibited by zoning in Foxborough, as is selling parking spaces unless commercial parking lot.

4.03 Human Resources:

Currently Advertised Positions –

- Tree & Parks Division Laborer/Driver
- Substitute Library Assistant
- Council on Aging Substitute Van Driver
- Recreation Department Summer Jobs Posted on Town Website with Online Application Deadline of March 27 for new applicants/those seeking new positions (Counselors, Lifeguards, etc.).

5. 7:55pm - Select Board Update

5.01 New Business

5.02 Old Business

6. Action Items

6.01 Kraft Sports & Entertainment Group - Approve the additional data sheet for the Brazil vs. France: International Soccer Friendly Match on March 26, 2026 starting at 4pm (Under the 2025 Annual Entertainment License).

[020426_2026 Brazil France International Friendly Data Sheet.pdf](#) 

Chief Grace does support the event under the 2025 entertainment license. Expected to be a full sell out event.

****Motion to approve the Kraft Sports & Entertainment Group additional data sheet for the Brazil vs. France: International Soccer Friendly Match on March 26, 2026 starting at 4pm (Under the 2025**

Annual Entertainment License).

Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

- 6.02 Change of Hours Application -Colwen Management Inc. dba Renaissance Hotel at Patriot Place & Hilton Garden Inn at Patriot Place located at 28 Patriot Place to serve alcohol starting at 10am on Sundays.

****Motion to approve a Change of Hours Application for Colwen Management Inc. dba Renaissance Hotel at Patriot Place & Hilton Garden Inn at Patriot Place located at 28 Patriot Place to serve alcohol starting at 10am on Sundays.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

- 6.03 Boards & Committees - Select Board to appoint Sophia Manos to the Cable Television Advisory Committee for a term to end May 31, 2027.

****Motion to appoint Sophia Manos to the Cable Television Advisory Committee for a term to end May 31, 2027.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

- 6.04 National Grid - Approve National Grid to install 1 JO Pole on Chestnut St beginning at a point approximately 175 feet Northwest of the centerline of the intersection of Mechanic Street and Chestnut Street. National Grid is proposing to install a new 50ft Class H1 Pole, labeled P27-50, for the purposed of installing a new recloser. The Pole will be installed between P27 and P28 on West Chestnut Street on the same side of the road.

[030326 Chestnut Notice & Agenda Stamped.pdf](#)  [031726 DPW Memo - National Grid - Chesntut Street.pdf](#) 

****Motion to approve National Grid to install 1 JO Pole on Chestnut St beginning at a point approximately 175 feet Northwest of the centerline of the intersection of Mechanic Street and Chestnut Street. National Grid is proposing to install a new 50ft Class H1 Pole, labeled P27-50, for the purposed of installing a new recloser. The Pole will be installed between P27 and P28 on West Chestnut Street on the same side of the road.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

- 6.05 Donation - Accept the donation from the Foxboro Historical Society in the amount of \$500 to the Veteran Services Gift Account in memory of Paul Godin.

****Motion to accept the donation from the Foxboro Historical Society in the amount of \$500 to the Veteran Services Gift Account in memory of Paul Godin.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

Carried

- 6.06 Donation - Accept the donation from Partners In Patriotism Fund in the amount of \$1630.84 to the Veteran Services Gift Account to fund a gaming system console for the Veteran's Lounge.

**Motion to accept the donation from Partners In Patriotism Fund in the amount of \$1630.84 to the Veteran Services Gift Account to fund a gaming system console for the Veteran's Lounge.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0


- 6.07 Class II Auto License Application - Approve a Class II Auto License Application from JNE Auto Inc dba Foxfield Auto located at 100 Central Street with the condition set forth by the Planning Board as they granted a special permit for the sale of not more than three vehicles as an accessory use.

**Motion to approve a Class II Auto License Application from JNE Auto Inc dba Foxfield Auto located at 100 Central Street with the condition set forth by the Planning Board as they granted a special permit for the sale of not more than three vehicles as an accessory use.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0


- 6.08 Select Board - Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from February 17, 2026
[Select Board Meeting - Feb 17 2026 - Minutes - Html](#) 

**Motion to approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from February 17, 2026

Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

- 6.09 Select Board - Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from Minutes March 3, 2026.
[Select Board Meeting - Mar 03 2026 - Minutes - Html](#) 






**Motion to approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from Minutes March 3, 2026.








Moved by: Amy LaBrache; seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

7. 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