



Select Board Meeting - Nov 04 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. 7:01pm - Citizen's Input

1.01 Citizen's Input

Chief Michael Grace statement regarding resident access to Revolution Way on game days. No vehicles, pedestrians only. Language to be finalized. Foxborough residents only with a verification process which will be strictly enforced. No major changes for the Thursday night game but this will be coming soon.

Nancy Schon, 20 Capone Road. Thank you to public safety. In years past, there have been a pass to allow residents down surrounding roads near Gillette but recently there has been no verification to allow me around these roads. Look to bring that pass program back for residents.

Monique Lariviere, resident near the Lane and Payson properties. Looking to have trash cans on the properties for residents to dispose of rubbish being picked up while on property from others who choose to litter. Would be helpful to keep these properties in gorgeous shape and for all to enjoy.

2. 7:05pm - Annual Above and Beyond Awards

- 2.01 Foxborough Commission on Disability to present the Annual Above and Beyond Awards.

Sue Collins, Chair of the Foxborough Commission on Disability & Margaret Chaison, member presented awards to a business who employees individuals with disabilities and one individual who has gone above and beyond in the community. Bass Pro Shop & manager is a great community support giving individuals with disabilities the tools they need to flourish in their job. The individual role awards is presented to Lorianne Fararrar of the YMCA for her work with individuals with disabilities and the hours she puts in with the families.

Mike Chaisson, State Representative, presenting citations from the senate and the house to Lori for her work that she has done and the work she has done in our community.

3. 7:15pm - American Flag, Black Bunting & Mourning Ribbon Policy

- 3.01 Discuss & Vote on the American Flag, Black Bunting & Mourning Ribbon Policy

[Bunting Policy 10.7.25.docx](#) 

Michelle Hamilton, Veteran Services Director & Lauren Shurtleff, Assistant Veteran Services Officer, review the attached policy.

****Motion to approve the American Flag, Black Bunting & Mourning Ribbon Policy**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

****Motion to nominate Amy LaBrache to assist in carrying out this policy.**

Moved by: Stephanie McGowan

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

Yes

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

Motion Carries 5-0

4. 7:30pm - Massachusetts Police Accreditation Program (MPAC)

- 4.01 Congratulations to our Foxborough Police Department on their accreditation by the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Program (MPAC).

[Police Accreditation.pdf](#) 

Congratulations to our Foxborough Police Department on their re-accreditation!

5. 7:35pm - FY26 Tax Classification Public Hearing

- 5.01 Thom Welch, Chief Assessor, will present data and information to allow the Select Board to set the tax rate and the minimum residential factor for the town allocating the local property tax levy among the four classes of real and personal property.

[110425_Tax Classification Public Hearing.pdf](#)  [FY26 Tax Classification HearingFINAL.pptx](#) 

Thom, Welch, Chief Assessor presented the attached PowerPoint.

****Motion to open the public hearing.** The Select Board will conduct a Public Hearing, in accordance with MGL Chapter 40, Section 56, on Tuesday November 4, 2025, at 7:35pm at Foxborough Town Hall Gala Room, 40 South Street, Foxborough, MA 02035, for the purpose of determining the percentages of the FY2026 local property tax levy to be borne by each class of real and personal property. (Roll Call Vote)

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

Yes

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

Motion Carries. Roll Call Vote. 5-0

**Motion to close the public hearing.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Motion Carries. Roll Call Vote. 5-0

**Motion to vote no on an Open Space Discount.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Motion Carries 5-0

**Motion to vote no on Residential Exemption.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Motion Carries 5-0

**Motion to vote no on a Small Commercial Exemption.

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Motion Carries 5-0

****Motion to set the minimum residential factor to 0.9264 (moving to 1.30 shift) or other as voted.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Motion Carries 5-0

6. 7:50pm - Town Manager's Update

6.01 Around Town:

- SNAP update: Foxborough Schools report that they have 329 receiving SNAP benefits.
 - From Foxborough Human Services Department: According to the 2024 Census and the Department of Transitional Assistance, there are 1,629 SNAP users in Foxborough. Based on a population figure of 18,791, this is approximately 8.7% of our residents. Kate and Pam assist our residents on a daily basis with SNAP applications, recertifications, submitting documentation to maintain their benefits and answering general questions about SNAP.
 - Residents who want to help should go to the Foxboro Food Pantry's website and look under "Donations"
- FoxAlerts is Live! Sign up now! FoxAlerts will make it easier than ever for residents to receive timely, reliable information from town officials. Alerts may include severe weather warnings, road closures, public safety messages, project updates, town service changes, upcoming events, community news, and more! The system is free and allows users to customize their preferences — choosing which types of alerts they want to receive and how they want to receive them (by text, phone call, email, or push notification).
- The Boyden Library has launched their Community

Food Cupboard outside the library main entrance - accessible 24/7 and anonymously. Anyone may help themselves to what they may need. This is intended to supplement the wonderful work already being done by the Foxboro Food Pantry and St. Mark's. Unexpired, non-perishable food donations are being accepted at the Circulation Desk for the months of November and December.

- Mobile breast cancer screening event - Mammogram Van at Town Hall, 40 South Street on November 13, 2025 from 7am – 3:15pm - Sponsored by Foxborough Health Department & Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. Pre-registration is required. To schedule your appointment, please choose one of the following:
 - Call: (617) 632-1974
 - Email: mammo_van@dfci.harvard.edu
 - Sign Up Online
- Health Dept will be closed November 5, 2025 for staff to attend a conference.
- Financial Summit: December 2, 2025 at 5:30pm, before the Select Board meeting. AdCom & School Committee to attend.
- Paul Ahearn has retired from Schneider Electric - Thank you for all you have done for the Town!
- Reminder: Short term rentals prohibited by zoning in Foxborough, as is selling parking spaces unless commercial parking lot.
- Employee Appreciation Event: Morning of November 13, 2025. Town Hall will open at 11am.

The Wednesday before Thanksgiving, the Town Hall closes at 12:30pm and the day after Thanksgiving, the offices are closed.

6.02 Veterans Update: Veterans Day ceremony on November 11, 2025 at 11 am at Community Center.

6.03 Human Resources: Current Open Job Posting - Water/Sewer Supervisor

6.04 Construction Update:

- DPW expansion – now weather tight. Buses moved back

on October 24, 2025.

- PFAS plant is progressing.

7. 8:00pm - Select Board Update

7.01 New Business

7.02 Old Business

Halloween Parade was a success!

DPW is coming along nice & we are on target.

8. Action Items

8.01 National Grid - Approve National Grids Petition to install 2 JO Poles on Granite St, beginning at a point approximately 50ft Northwest of the centerline of the intersection of Granite St at Prospect St and continuing approximately 1500ft in a Northeast direction. National Grid is proposing to install new Pole, P38-1, on North side of Granite St and new Pole, P24-84, on West side of Granite St.

****Motion to approve National Grids Petition to install 2 JO Poles on Granite St, beginning at a point approximately 50ft Northwest of the centerline of the intersection of Granite St at Prospect St and continuing approximately 1500ft in a Northeast direction. National Grid is proposing to install new Pole, P38-1, on North side of Granite St and new Pole, P24-84, on West side of Granite St.**

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 Grids Petition to install 1 JO Pole on Water St, beginning at a point approximately 25ft Southwest of the centerline of the intersection of Water St at Prospect St and continuing in an East direction. National is

proposing to install new Pole, P17-1, on West side of Prospect St.

****Motion to approve National Grids Petition to install 1 JO Pole on Water St, beginning at a point approximately 25ft Southwest of the centerline of the intersection of Water St at Prospect St and continuing in an East direction. National is proposing to install new Pole, P17-1, on West side of Prospect St.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

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

Carried 5-0

- 8.03 Kraft Sports & Entertainment Group - Approve the additional data sheet for the MIAA High School Football Championships on December 4, 2025 from 5pm to 8pm, December 5, 2025 from 5pm to 8pm & December 6, 2025 from 10am to 7pm (Under the 2025 Annual Entertainment License).

[2025 MIAA Data Sheet.pdf](#) 

****Motion to approve the additional data sheet for the MIAA High School Football Championships on December 4, 2025 from 5pm to 8pm, December 5, 2025 from 5pm to 8pm & December 6, 2025 from 10am to 7pm (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

- 8.04 Boards & Committees - Appoint Diane Duhaime to the Council on Aging & Human Services Advisory Board for a term to end

May 31, 2028.

****Motion to appoint Diane Duhaime to the Council on Aging & Human Services Advisory Board for a term to end May 31, 2028.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

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

Carried 5-0

8.05 Boards & Committees - Appoint Darrell Carson to the Veteran Services Advisory Committee for a term to end May 31, 2028.

****Motion to appoint Darrell Carson to the Veteran Services Advisory Committee for a term to end May 31, 2028.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Bill Yukna

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

Carried 5-0

8.06 Boards & Committees - Appoint Paul Morrisette to the Veteran Services Advisory Committee for a term to end May 31, 2028.

****Motion to appoint Paul Morrisette to the Veteran Services Advisory Committee for a term to end May 31, 2028.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

- 8.07 Select Board - Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from October 21, 2025.

[Select Board Meeting - Oct 21 2025 - Minutes - Html](#) 

****Motion to approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from October 21, 2025.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

- 8.08 Select Board - Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from October 27, 2025.

[Select Board Meeting - Oct 21 2025 - Minutes - Html](#) 

****Motion to approve Select Board Meeting Minutes from October 27, 2025.**

Moved by: Amy LaBrache

Seconded by: Mark Elfman

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

Carried 5-0

[102725_Pre Special Town Meeting Minutes.pdf](#) 

9. Adjourn

****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