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# MINUTES TOWN OF BELMONT BOARD OF SELECTMEN SELECTMEN'S MEETING ROOM Monday, August 8, 2016 5:30 P.M.

#### CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board was called to order in open session at 5:55 p.m. by Chair Mark Paolillo in the Selectmen's Meeting Room. Selectmen Sami Baghdady and Jim Williams were present. Town Administrator David Kale and Assistant Town Administrator Phyllis Marshall were also present.

Chair Paolillo turned to the first item on the agenda.

#### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Paolillo announced there was an official ceremony to recognize Purple Heart Recipients on Sunday, August 7, 2016 beginning at 1:00 pm. This event was held at the Belmont Memorial Library, located at 336 Concord Avenue, and was well attended. Chair Paolillo thanked Veteran's Service Officer Bob Upton for his work in planning the event.

Selectman Williams announced that the remains of Colonel Ronald Sparks are coming home to Cambridge on August 16 or August 17. Colonel Sparks became Missing in Action in Korea on February 12, 1951.

Chair Paolillo announced that the annual Meet Belmont event would be held on Tuesday, August 30, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Chenery Middle School and all are invited.

#### **QUESTIONS FROM TOWN RESIDENTS**

Ms. Anne Marie Lambert appeared before the Board to discuss Belmont Staycation 2016. She stated the Belmont Staycation Picnic will be held on the green at Wellington Station on Saturday, August 13 from noon -2:00 p.m. Ms. Lambert explained the Staycation Passport program as a way to stay environment and budget friendly while exploring all Belmont has to offer. The Board was then invited to sign their Staycation Passports.

#### **ACTION BY CONSENT**

Review and Approval of Route for 5K Road Race sponsored by Crate Escape, LLC. on October 23, 2016

Ms. Nikkilee Condon from Crate Escape appeared before the Board to request permission to host a 5K Road Race to benefit K-9 cancer research on Town streets. She explained that the route was adjusted to closely mirror an established route used by both the Brendan Grant and Becca Pizzi 5K events. She concluded that several minor adjustments were made to allow the event to start and finish at Crate Escape's facility on Hittenger Street as opposed to the Belmont High School.

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The Board moved: To grant permission to Crate Escape, LLC to host a 5K Road Race to benefit K-9 Cancer Research on Town streets under the condition that they cover the expense of any details determined to be necessary for public safety.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

#### Update and Consideration of Amendment to Extend Option of Verizon License Renewal

Assistant Town Administrator Marshall reported to the Board that the Town's Cable Television Advisory Committee (CTAC) has been negotiating the terms and conditions of a Cable Television Renewal License with Verizon New England, Inc. for several months. She continued that to date a number of outstanding issues separate the Town and Verizon and it is unlikely that there will be an agreement in place before the current Verizon Final License in Belmont expires on September 27, 2016. She explained that the Board of Selectmen must take some action before the impending expiration on September 27, 2016. One option is to extend the current Final License for up to one year through September 26, 2017. The process required to execute an amendment to extend the term is as follows: Publication of a Notice of Intent to Assistant Town Administrator Marshall concluded that both the CTAC and Verizon are in favor of the Board of Selectmen voting for and subsequently executing the proposed amendment to provide additional time for negotiations and a timely execution of a Renewal License for Verizon.

The Board moved: To accept the proposed amendment of the Verizon License which would expire on September 28, 2017.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

#### Vote to Approve the Belmont Police Patrolmen's Association Contract

Human Resources Director Jessica Porter appeared before the Board to review the terms of the proposed contract with the Belmont Police Patrolman's Association. She explained that this contract provides for a 2% COLA increase each year, as is consistent with the other unions that have settled. HR Director Porter continued that the proposed contract provides for a health insurance contribution change. This change is consistent with the other unions that have settled. This change in contribution rate from 20% to 25% for all new hires as of July 1, 2016 in exchange for .25/hour, effective January 1, 2016 represents an approximate 1% increase which applies to all 31 members.

HR Director Porter stated the proposed contract includes an education incentive. She continued that the stipend amounts are for those who have Associates/Bachelors/Masters degrees in Criminal Justice, who are not grandfathered under the Quinn Bill. The new amounts are \$5,000/\$9,500/\$11,000. Officers are required to obtain a degree in Criminal Justice or supplement an existing degree with a Certificate within three years, six months from their date of graduation from the police academy.

HR Director Porter reported that an agreement to include a new Article for Drug and Alcohol

Testing based upon Reasonable Suspicion has been reached. She added that in exchange, all members hired prior to January 1, 2016, will receive a \$750 annual stipend. She concluded that this represents a 1.14% increase that all 54 members will receive.

The Board moved: To approve the contract between the Town of Belmont and the Belmont Police Patrolman's Association for the period of July 1, 2014 thru June 30, 2017

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

#### **Review of Committee Appointments**

The Board began the process of appointing residents to various committees.

The Board moved: To appoint Mr. Mark Carthy to the Cable TV Advisory Committee for a three-year term.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To appoint Ms. Anne Marie Mahoney to the Community Preservation Committee for a three-year term.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Mr. William Chemelli and Mr. Richard Picceri as Constables each for a three year term.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Ms. Maryann Scali, Mr. Joel Semuels and Mr. James Stanton for three year terms. To appoint Ms. Phyl Solomon for a three year term to the Council on Aging.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Mr. Jonathan Baboian and to appoint Ms. Jennifer Angel for three year terms to the Cultural Council. The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Ms. Nan Donald and to re-appoint Ms. Janet Macdonald for three year terms to the Disabilities Access Commission.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Ms. Leslie Aiken and to appoint Ms. June Yacubian for three year terms to the Education Scholarship Committee and to expand the committee to allow for an additional member.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Ms. Nan Donald, Ms. Fran Yuan and to appoint Mr. Anthony Moroso to the Human Rights Commission for three year terms.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To appoint Mr. Glenn Logan to the Permanent Audit Committee for a three year term.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To appoint Mr. James Stanton to the Registrars of Voters for a three year term.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Ms. Ruth Foster and Ms. DeNeee Reiton Skipper to the Shade Tree Committee for three year terms. To appoint Mr. Michael Chesson for a three year term.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Mr. Bill Shea to the Water Advisory Board for a three year term.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Mr. Angelo Firenze to the Belmont Media Center Board of Directors for a three year term.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Mr. Myron Kassaraba as the full member for a three year term to the Logan Airport Community Advisory Committee.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board moved: To re-appoint Town Staff Members to various positions: ABC Flood Group: Mr. Jay Marcotte (primary) and Mr. Michael Santoro (alternate) Emergency Management Agency: Mr. Leo Saidnawey (Director), Mr. Rick Nohl (Assistant Director), Fire Chief David Frizzell, Assistant Fire Chief Angus Davison The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

MBTA Advisory Board: Mr. Glen Castro for a three year term

Matropolitan Area Planning Council: Senior Planner Jeffrey Wheel

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MWRA Advisory Board: Director of Public Works, Jay Marcotte and Manager of DPW Water Division Michael Bishop(alternate) for a three year term The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

The Board had a briefly discussed the possibility of future term limits and/or number of committees.

### Request and Approval of Night Paving in Belmont Center August 22, 2016 – August 25, 2016

Mr. Glenn Clancy appeared before the Board to request that Charles Contracting Company be granted permission to work at night in order to pave and apply pavement markings in Belmont Center. He continued that Charles Contracting estimated the paving work will be done, weather permitting, between the hours of 8:00 P.M. and 5:00 A.M. and will begin August 22, 2016 and

be completed August 25, 2016. Mr. Clancy explained that the pavement markings will be applied the week of August 29, 2016 between the hours of 8:00 P.M. and 5:00 A.M. and will take four nights to complete. He concluded that an e-911 notice will be sent Town wide and each abutting property will receive a printed notification.

The Board moved: To approve night paving during the week of 8/22/2016 and pavement marking of Belmont Center during the week of 8/29/2016. The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

Approval of a One Day Liquor License Application from Beaujolais Catering to serve Wine and Malt at a Bat Mitzvah held at the Beech Street Center on September 17, 2016 from 5:30p.m. to 9:30p.m.

Chair Paolillo noted there are no concerns with this application.

The Board moved: To approve the one-day liquor license, details noted above. The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

#### **Board of Selectmen Committee Liaison Report**

Chair Paolillo, as the Minuteman liaison, provided the Board with a brief update. He reported that the League of Women Voters has scheduled a meeting for September 12, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Jack Weiss, Belmont's Representative to the Minuteman High School, and Mr. Robert McLaughlin, Minuteman High School Building Committee, will provide the BOS with a presentation at their September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. Chair Paolillo briefly discussed the September 20, 2016 vote scheduled for the Minuteman Debt. The Board discussed the options suggested by the Warrant Committee in the event Minuteman is not voted favorable. Chair Paolillo concluded that the voice of Belmont residents and voters is important as it provides meaningful alternatives.

Vice-Chair Baghdady provided the Board with an update from the Belmont High School Building Committee meeting of August 2, 2016. He reported on the enrollment for the feasibility study and the letter executed by the Town of Belmont. Vice Chair Baghdady briefly reported on the MSBA consideration of configuration options.

#### **Executive Session**

The Board moved: To enter into executive session at 7:15 a.m. to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body; Cushing Village.

A roll call vote was taken: Chair Paolillo said aye, Selectmen Baghdady and Williams also said aye and the motion passed unanimously (3-0).

Mr. David Kale, Town Administrator