

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING AGENDA  
UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM  
1 AVENUE A, TURNERS FALLS, MA  
MONDAY, September 26, 2011**

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*Meeting was opened at 7:00 PM in the Upstairs Meeting Room. Present were Selectpersons, Mark Fairbrother, Chris Boutwell, Patricia Allen (absent), Town Administrator, Frank Abbondanzio (absent); Administrative Secretary, Wendy Bogusz; Jeff Tirrell, WHAI; Chris Curtis, Greenfield Recorder, Janel Knockelby, Montague Reporter*

**Fairbrother opens the meeting and announces the meeting is being taped**

**Approve Minutes of September 19, 2011**

*Boutwell makes the motion to approve the minutes of September 19, 2011 Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother – Aye*

**Max Brody, The Night Kitchen, 1 –day Licenses (one hour hor d'orves reception)**

*Boutwell makes the motion to approve the request by Max Brody, The Night Kitchen, 1 day Licenses for October 8, October 22 and November 11, 2011 for 1 hour hor d'ovres reception with no music. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

*Issue raised about Chris having a conflict of interest with the issue, but due to the fact we were down a selectmen, and timing of the event, it was voted on.*

**Robert Trombley, WPCF Superintendent**

**Sewer Abatement request (2) first half fiscal year 2012**

*Boutwell makes the motion to abate 4 H Street, Turners Falls, the original sewer bill was \$564 abated down to \$285, and the abated amount would be \$279, second half of the sewer bill will be adjusted prior to billing. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously.*

*Boutwell makes the motion to abate 33 Central Street Turners Falls, the original sewer bill was \$2,004 abate to \$72 abated amount is \$1,902 and second half bill will be adjusted prior to billing due to a frozen waterline burst with nobody home for a month. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - aye*

*Boutwell makes the motion that 148 L Street, Turners Falls that the Board does not abate the first half of the sewer bill because it did go into the system and Robert Trombley, WPCF Supt. will look at second ½ billing when it does come out. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

*Boutwell makes the motion that the Board do not abate 13 K Street, Turners Falls, the first half of the sewer bill as the water did go into the system from a leaking toilet and Robert Trombley, WPCF Supt take a look at second half of ill when it comes out to see if an adjustment can be made. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

**Request to carry over 48 hours of vacation**

*Boutwell makes the motion to allow Robert Trombley, WPCF Superintendent to carry over 48 hours of vacation time into his next anniversary year. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

**Town Administrators Report (given by Administrative Secretary)**

**Sign Corrected Special Town Meeting Warrant**

*Bogusz: There were two changes made. The original Article 1 was deleted (donation of property by Mr. Mackin) and the article for the purpose of increasing the Town Stabilization Fund be reduced to \$400,000 (per Finance Committee) from \$500,000.*

*Boutwell makes the motion to approve the Special Town Meeting Warrant for October 20, 2011 with the two changes previously noted. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

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**Pumpkinfest Update, Michael Nelson**

Nelson: Signs, Posters and banners are up throughout the county. Things are going good, start local radio advertising tomorrow, had toll booth and we raised just over \$800. We are up to 80 vendors, 45 are food, just about at capacity; Most vendors are local and non profit Each vendor has been told where they will be and only people that absolutely need power will have it, some will bring their own generators. People have been very cooperative. We are ready to go, just waiting for the date to come. Nelson asked whether minors (children in strollers, babies) would be allowed into the beer tent. Decision was that no one under 21 is allowed in the beer area.

**BOH issue**

Nelson states he would like discuss a back up for the Board of Health Agent that can be hired per diem to help out when there is a major event. He will bring this up during the budget season.

**Dave Argy, Turners Falls Pizza, Request to stay open later on weekends**

*Boutwell makes the motion to allow Turners Falls Pizza House to extend their service hours for food on Friday and Saturday nights until 2:00 am, but they stop serving alcohol as stated on their current liquor license earlier in the evening and there will only be food served after 1:00 AM through the end of 2011. The issue will be revisited when his 2012 license is renewed. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

**Town Administrators Report (given by Administrative Secretary) Continued**

*Boutwell makes the motion to accept the resignation of Megan Gilbert from the Montague Police Dept., Patrolman, effective date October 4, 2011. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

**Application to place sign on public property: Harmony Lodge of Mason**

*Boutwell makes the motion to allow the Harmony Lodge of Mason's to place a sign on public property on the corner of Montague City Road and Masonic Avenue for their Open House which will be on October 15, 2011. The sign will be up from October 3, 2011 to October 15, 2011 and the Police Chief has signed off on the permit. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*

*Boutwell makes the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye*