

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING
UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM
1 AVENUE A, TURNERS FALLS, MA
MONDAY, October 27, 2014**

Meeting was opened at 7:00 PM in the Upstairs Meeting Room. Present were Selectpersons, Mark Fairbrother, Chris Boutwell, Mike Nelson; Town Administrator, Frank Abbondanzio, Executive Assistant, Wendy Bogusz;

Approve minutes of August 25, September 8,15, 22, 29 and October 6, 14, 20, 2014 if available –
None Available

Public Comment Period: Any public discussion regarding any agenda item or other matter will be reserved for this time slot. Individuals will be limited to two (2) minutes each and the Board of Selectmen will strictly adhere to time allotted for public comment.

Fairbrother is against the public comment period and wants it reflected in the minutes.

Robert Trombley, WPCF Superintendent

Mass. Water Pollution Control Assoc. article concerning the Montague Plant

Trombley: First item has to do with an article that will appear in the upcoming newsletter of the Massachusetts Water Pollution Control Association that was previously written by Marcel Tremblay regarding the ongoing innovations and accomplishments at the plant.

Sludge receiving: Receive sludge from 19 communities. To date, totaled \$142,000 since July 1 in revenue. Expect to continue to receive revenue.

Grit remains a problem: Continues to be a problem, was rebuilt in house but still a lot of grit coming off the street. Town is pursuing with CDM and the Highway Dept. to clear the sand in the lines in the downtown area. Fine silty material will not get removed very easily.

Status of sand in pipe near Avenue A

The camera could not investigate very far. There are bricks that have fallen into it blocking access; will pull out as much debris as possibly can. When the canal was down last month several folks investigated the pipe. The project will be revisited when the canal is drained again.

MGL c. 138, §15 Off-Premises Retail Licensees Sunday Opening Time allowed at 10:00 AM

Execute Form 43, Purple Meadow Ventures, Inc., dba Connecticut River Liquor and Wine, 123 Avenue A, Turners Falls

Boutwell recuses himself from the next two agenda items.

Nelson makes the motion to appoint Mark Fairbrother as Chair for the next two items. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Fairbrother – Aye, Nelson – Aye, Boutwell – Aye

The application requests to open at 10am on Sundays due to a change in state law. Bogusz advises the board that this is a formality, and that the board has to vote for it.

Nelson makes the motion to approve Form 43 Purple Meadow Ventures, Inc., dba Connecticut River Liquor and Wine, 123 Avenue A, Turners Falls allowing them to open at 10am on Sundays. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved

Execute Form 43, F.L. Roberts I Company, Inc., dba Turners Falls F. L. Roberts, 132 Third Street, Turners Falls

Nelson makes the motion to execute form 43, F. L. Roberts Company, Inc. dba Turners Falls, Falls F. L. Roberts, 132 Third Street, Turners Falls allowing them to open at 10am on Sundays. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved unanimously.

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Discussion and possible vote to acknowledge and authorize Town Counsel to respond to two open meeting law complaints received on October 20, 2014, executive session (pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(1)) and public session expected

Abbondanzio explains that town counsel needs the Selectboard to acknowledge in a regularly posted meeting that he is being authorized to respond to the complaints.

Fairbrother makes the motion to authorize Town Counsel to respond to two open meeting law complaints received on October 20, 2014, executive session (pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, s. 21(a)(1)) and public session expected. Seconded by Nelson, approved. Nelson – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye

Town Administrators Report

Sustainable Materials Recovery Program Municipal Grant

Abbondanzio: The Town was awarded \$750 for Sustainable Materials Recovery Program Municipal Grant. Typically it's used for recycling receptacles.

Execute 2015 Local Cultural Council Standard Contract Form, \$4,300 allocation, dates of service 7/1/14 to 6/30/15

Abbondanzio: This is the annual allocation the town receives for the cultural council. This money will be given out as small grants.

Nelson makes a motion to authorize the chair to sign the 2015 Local Cultural Council Standard Contract For in the amount of \$4300 from 7/1/14 to 6/30/15. Seconded by Fairbrother, approved. Nelson – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye

Topics not anticipated in the 48 hour posting requirement –

Boutwell announces the town received the PARC grant in the amount of \$272,000 for the Skate Park.

Fairbrother makes the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 PM Seconded by Nelson, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Nelson – Aye, Fairbrother - Aye