

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING
UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM
1 AVENUE A, TURNERS FALLS, MA
MONDAY, March 7, 2016**

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

Approve Selectmen minutes of February 22 and 29, 2016

Kuklewicz makes the motion to accept the minutes of February 22, 2016. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Kuklewicz – Aye, Nelson – Aye

Kuklewicz makes the motion to accept the minutes of February 29, 2016. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Kuklewicz – Aye, Nelson – Aye

Public Comment Period: Individuals will be limited to two (2) minutes each and the Board of Selectmen will strictly adhere to time allotted for public comment:

Gary Konvelski: Inquires about the vote that voted him in as planter coordinator? Why are you taking another vote?

Nelson: It still exists. What we are doing is putting you in charge of taking reigns of Planter Coordinator and taking that job to do the role of getting the community members together to hold the community discussion where a vote will be held by folks downtown on who they recommend to be in that position

Konvelski: Is that going to fly having me there? I don't get how something can happen during a meeting, then go off public, then come back and say not the vote wasn't counted. Doesn't there have to be an appeal of the vote?

Kuklewicz: There was a question on the mechanism that was used and that was called into question. I believe it was the group would get together and bring forward the person they would recommend

Nelson: Everything we did about the vote was legal. What was called into question was the process we took to get there.

The board is not prepared to discuss this in detail tonight and will put it on the next week's agenda.

Jeff Singleton: Security at RR Salvage building, editor went there and there is a fence that was open. Who is responsible for this?

David Jensen enforces this, the town has been having problems keeping the fence locked. Nelson will follow up with David Jensen on this.

Jon Dobosz, Director Parks & Recreation

Sign Certificate of Substantial completion for Unity Park Phase Three, Skate Park, Turners Falls with Berkshire Design Group and Gridline Skateparks, Inc.

Punch list will be taken care of as weather permits, Gridline Skateparks will extend warranty to two years rather than one year.

Kuklewicz makes the motion to Sign Certificate of Substantial completion for Unity Park Phase Three, Skate Park, Turners Falls with Berkshire Design Group and Gridline Skateparks, Inc. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Kuklewicz – Aye, Nelson – Aye

Dobosz: Hope to have grand opening in May, 2016

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Greg Garrison

Request for use of public property, Lucy Archer, MIT Cycling, Eastern Collegiate Cycling conference Regional Championship Criterion Race around Unity Park (start eastbound on 1st Street, right onto 3rd street, right onto L Street right onto 1st Street) April 24, 2016, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Roads have to be closed during this time, cars will be allowed into the park between races.

Archer states they will hire as many police officers as necessary to make this happen and will have safety personnel available to also help out. Discussion about signage and placement

Kuklewicz makes the motion to approve the Request for use of public property, Lucy Archer, MIT Cycling, Eastern Collegiate Cycling conference Regional Championship Criterion Race around Unity Park (start eastbound on 1st Street, right onto 3rd street, right onto L Street right onto 1st Street) April 24, 2016, 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM contingent upon certificate of insurance and clarification of details with DPW Superintendent and Police Chief, and coordination to open Unity Park with Jon Dobosz. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Kuklewicz – Aye, Nelson – Aye

Mark Wisnewski, The Rendezvous, 78 Third Street, Turners Falls

Amend on premise All Alcohol License to allow the serving time on Sundays to be changed “from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.” to “from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.”

Boutwell Recuses himself from this portion of the meeting.

Kuklewicz makes the motion to grant the request of Mark Wisnewski, The Rendezvous, 78 Third Street, Turners Falls to Amend the on premise All Alcohol License to allow the serving time on Sundays to be changed “from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.” to “from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.”

Personnel Board

Classification of Lieutenant Position as Non-Union, Grade G, plus 8-1/2%, no less than step 6 on that grade or \$34.78/hour

Kuklewicz makes the motion to set classification for the Lieutenant position at the Police Department as non union, grade G, plus 8-1/2%, no less than step 6 on that grade or \$34.78/hour, working 37.69 hours per week on a 40 hour administrative schedule with every third Friday off. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Kuklewicz – Aye, Nelson – Aye

Other

Dodge asked about security of fence at Railroad Salvage building and fence being open. Is not aware of anything other than when the trailer was there and the owner was contacted and stated it was her business. Officers are not asked to check it as it is private property. If the fence is found open, please contact the owner to secure it. Dodge is going to contact David Jensen to get the orders that were in place when Jim Bent owned it.

Town Administrators Report

Planning Board Petition for Zoning Amendment to Zoning Bylaw Section 6.3.3

Kuklewicz makes the motion to refer the zoning by-law amendment to section 6.3.3 pertaining to driveway regulations for residences with a setback of 500 feet or more from an accepted way. To the Planning Board for their review and recommendation. Amendment will reduce the minimum; width of a driveway serving a home 500 feet from the road from 20 to 16 feet; require passing turnouts every 300 feet; and allow relief by special permit from the Planning Board. Seconded by Nelson, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Kuklewicz – Aye, Nelson – Aye

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Topics not anticipated in the 48 hour posting requirements

None

Executive Session under G.L. c 30A, Section 21 (a)(3) to discuss litigation, Regarding Kinder Morgan Pipeline, Votes may be taken

Nelson declares having this in open session will be detrimental to the public good

Kuklewicz makes the motion to go into Executive Session under G.L. c 30A, Section 21 (a)(3) to discuss litigation, Regarding Kinder Morgan Pipeline, Votes may be taken. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Boutwell – Aye, Kuklewicz – Aye, Nelson - Aye

Kuklewicz makes the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 PM. Seconded by Boutwell, approved unanimously. Kuklewicz – Aye, Boutwell – Aye, Nelson – Aye

List of Documents and Exhibits:

- Minutes of February 22, 2016
- Minutes of February 29, 2016
- Certificate of Substantial Completion, Unity Park Phase Three, Skate Park
- Use of Public Property Form, MIT Cycling