

The Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday, September 15, 2020 remotely at 7:00 pm. The following Board members were present:

Benjamin Barrett, Chair
Nancy Mackenzie, Vice Chair
Mark Gallivan, Clerk
James O'Neil
David Salvatore

Also participating
James Johnson, Town Administrator
Patrick Shield, Assistant Town Administrator
Aoife Kelly, Executive Assistant

Executive Order on Remote Participation

Thursday March 12, 2020 Governor Baker issued an Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting G.L. c 30A Section 20. That order, which was effective immediately and until it is rescinded or the State of Emergency is terminated.

Chair to announce that all members will be participating remotely during the meeting due to unprecedented time in history of the Commonwealth. The Governor has authorized remote Participation for all public boards due to the Emergency declaration order that was issued on March 12, 2020. Every vote taken will be taken by roll call vote.

Chair Barrett called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Appointments

7:05pm – Public Hearing Change of License Category from Wines & Malt Beverages to All Alcoholic Beverages for New England Bar Pizza Co. LLC dba Crisp

Rob Carnes, owner of New England Bar Pizza Co. LLC was present for the hearing. On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to open the public hearing. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0). With no communication on this matter from the public, on motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan and on roll call vote of the Board, voted 5-0-0 to close the public hearing. On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan and on roll call vote of the Board, voted 5-0-0 to approve the change of license category from Wines & Malt Beverages to All Alcoholic Beverages for New England Bar Pizza Co. LLC dba Crisp.

7:15pm – Public Hearing for Street Acceptance of High Oaks Court; Lester Gray Drive; Millbrook Avenue; Lady Slipper Drive and Shady Lane.

Carl Balduf, Town Engineer was present for the hearing. On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to open the public hearing for order of layout and street layout for of High Oaks Court; Lester Gray Drive; Millbrook Avenue; Lady Slipper Drive and Shady Lane. On roll call vote the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0). With no communication on this matter from the public, on motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to close the public hearing. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

High Oaks Court

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to adopt the order of layout for High Oaks Court from its beginning at STA 0+00+/- to its end at STA 1+48.93 +/-. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to sign the order of layout documents and plans for High Oaks Court. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to have written layout documents and plans on file in the Town Clerk's Office. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Lester Gray Drive

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to adopt the order of layout Lester Gray Drive from its beginning at STA 0+00+/- to its end at STA 24+31.37 +/-. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to sign the order of layout documents and plans for Lester Gray Drive. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to have written layout documents and plans on file in the Town Clerk's Office. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Millbrook Avenue

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to adopt the order of layout for Millbrook Avenue beginning at STA 26+07.61+/- to its end at STA 39+14.07+/- . On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to sign the order of layout documents and plans for Millbrook Avenue. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to have written layout documents and plans on file in the Town Clerk's Office. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Lady Slipper Drive

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to adopt the order of layout for Lady Slipper Drive from its beginning at STA 0+00+/- to its end at STA 8+41.49 +/-. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to sign the order of layout documents and plans for Lady Slipper Drive. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to have written layout documents and plans on file in the Town Clerk's Office. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Shady Lane

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to adopt the order of layout for Shady Lane from its beginning at STA 0+00+/- to its end at STA 5+34.00 +/-. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to sign the order of layout documents and plans for Shady Lane. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to have written layout documents and plans on file in the Town Clerk's Office. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

7:30pm – Vote request of Chief Timothy F. Bailey, Jr., Walpole Fire Department:

Chief Bailey Walpole Fire Department, gave a brief introduction and background on the candidates he was presenting to the Board for promotion.

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted to appoint Lieutenant Peter Carter to the position of Fire Captain effective September 18, 2020. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted to appoint Firefighter/Paramedic Jason Wilson to the position of Fire Lieutenant effective September 20, 2020. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

7:45pm – Vote request of Ashley Clark, Community Development Director, to hold an Uncommon Art Walk Event on the Town Common on Saturday, October 03, 2020

Ashley Clark, Community Planning Director was present. On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted to approve request of Ashley Clark, to hold an Event on the Town Common on Saturday, October 03, 2020 which includes the closure of Elm Street between West & Main on the morning of October 03 and reopening on or before October 04 with final approval of that time to be approved by the Police Chief or his designee. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (4-1-0). Board member Salvatore opposed.

New Business

Vote to sign the Fall 2020 Town Meeting Warrant

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to sign the Fall 2020 Town Meeting Warrant. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Discussion and Vote on Fall 2020 Town Meeting Articles

Jim Johnson, provided a brief overview on each of the articles, and gave a recommendation to hold off on voting on articles 2, 14 and 15.

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 3. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 4. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 5. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 6. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 7. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 8. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 9. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 10. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 11. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 12. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 13. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 16. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (4-1-0) Board member Salvatore opposed.

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 17. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 18. The Board discussed the operating and capital budget of Walpole Media Corporation. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (4-0-1). Clerk Gallivan abstained.

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 19. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 20. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (4-1-0) Board member Salvatore opposed.

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 21. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 22. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 23. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 24. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 25. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted Favorable action on Article 26. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (4-1-0). Board member Salvatore opposed.

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted to refer Article 27 back to petitioner. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted to refer Article 28 back to petitioner. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted to refer Article 29 back to petitioner. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Vote award of bid contract No. 2020-34 for Leonard Rd & Chandler Ave Sewer Pump Station Improvements

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to award bid contract 2020-34 to Biszko Building Systems Inc. in the amount of \$515,313. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Vote award of bid contract No. 2021-04 for Water Treatment Chemicals

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to award bid contract 2021-04 to the lowest qualified bidders for water treatment chemicals for the unit prices bid. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Discussion on Town of Walpole Open Space and Recreation Plan

Chair Barrett, gave an overview of where they are at with the Town of Walpole Open Space and Recreation Plan which is being assembled by a group that ranges from Town employees, residents, members of boards and committees. A public session will be held to review and discuss the document, which is a tool for the Select Board and the residents. **Jim Johnson**, I'll track down a copy and get it out to the Board by the end of the week.

Vote request of Debevino Winery for a one-day wine license for October 03, 2020 at the Town Common as part of the Uncommon Art Walk Event

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to approve request of Debevino Winery for a one-day wine license for October 03, 2020 at the Town Common as part of the uncommon art walk event with final time of serving will be approved by Police Chief or designee. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (4-1-0). Board member Salvatore opposed.

Vote request of Lori Rossi & Joe Anello to use the Town Gazebo on October 18, 2020 at 2pm for a wedding ceremony

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted to approve request of Lori Rossi & Joe Anello to use the Town Gazebo on October 18, 2020 at 2pm for a wedding ceremony subject to them complying with all COVID19 guidelines that are in place at the time of the event. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Vote request of Alan Marshall, Scout BSA Troop 44 to use Adams Farm every Tuesday from 6-8pm for the remainder of 2020 for weekly Scout Meetings and on Saturday, October 10, 2020 from 10am-2pm for a Geocaching Event

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to approve request of Alan Marshall, Scout BSA Troop 44 to use Adams Farm every Tuesday from 6-8pm for the remainder of 2020 for weekly Scout Meetings and on Saturday, October 10, 2020 from 10am-2pm for a Geocaching Event, subject to them complying with all COVID19 guidelines. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Vote request of Areti Bratsis, to use Adams Farm on Saturday, September 19, 2020 from 10am-3pm for a Church Parishioner Gathering

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to approve request of Areti Bratsis, to use Adams Farm on Saturday, September 19, 2020 from 10am-3pm for a Church Parishioner Gathering subject to them complying with all COVID19 guidelines that are in place at the time of the event. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to accept with gratitude the following donation:

Moms Club of Walpole to Community Policing \$200

On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).

Town Administrator's Update

COVID

287 confirmed positive cases, 6 current cases undergoing monitoring.

Town Meeting

Continuing to prepare for it, placed an order for chairs for the field. Planning on proceeding with same game plan and layout as in the Spring. Dan has not filed a formal declaration but we are planning on Fall Town Meeting Saturday October 17th. Planning to have Finance Committee public hearing on Tuesday October 13th at 6pm.

Green Initiative

Several items that need to be addressed before the December 30th deadline. Ben and I met with an auditing firm that is likely going to review all of our building to see where we can approve efficiency. Likely have a full report by November/December timeframe for you to review and approve.

Notice from Governor

Extended the period of outdoor table service for licensees, this allows us to extend outdoor table service from November 1st 2020 for any period up until sixty days past the State of Emergency. Department that will have the most impact is Fire Department.

Norfolk County Commissioners

County Commissioners informed me that they were advised by their counsel that they should meet in executive session. I was advised by our Town Counsel to meet in open session. At this point we don't have a meeting and the deadline is quickly approaching. I am requesting permission from the Board to formally write and ask for the 90-day extension from the County Commissioners. **Vice Chair Mackenzie**, formally requested to put a ratified voted on the next our next agenda about the letter being sent.

Minutes

On motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan voted to approve the Minutes of August 18, 2020 as presented in their packet. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (4-0-1). Board member Salvatore abstained.

Board member O'Neil, discussed the meeting with Columbia Gas in August and wanting to have them back to discuss the road openings. **Jim Johnson**, I will work with Carl & Rick on this.

No other business being presented for consideration, on motion of Vice Chair Mackenzie, seconded by Clerk Gallivan, voted to adjourn and the meeting was adjourned accordingly at 8:35pm. On roll call vote of the Board, Motion Passed (5-0-0).