



# TOWN OF ADAMS

## BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2017 – 6:00 PM  
ADAMS TOWN HALL, 1<sup>st</sup> FLOOR, ADAMS, MA 01220

On the above date the **Board of Selectmen** held a meeting at the **Adams Town Hall** at **6:00 p.m.** **Chairman Jeffrey Snoonian** presided the meeting. Present were **Members Joseph Nowak, and Richard Blanchard.** Also in attendance was **Town Administrator Tony Mazzucco.** *Member John Duval and Town Counsel, Ed St. John III were absent.*

*The Select Board Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.*

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- *March 15, 2017*
- *March 20, 2017*

*Motion made by Member Nowak to waive reading and approve the March 15, 2017 and March 20, 2017 minutes*

*Second by Member Blanchard*

*Unanimous vote*

*Motion passed*

### PUBLIC COMMENT

#### *Service to the Town*

Jeff Lefebvre thanked Chairman Snoonian for his service on the Board.

#### *Maple Grove Civic Club*

Jeff Lefebvre advised that the Maple Grove Civic Club had an excellent turnout last weekend.

Town Administrator Mazzucco announced he will shortly be a member of the Maple Grove Civic Club.

#### *Magicon Event*

Amanda Zepka and Ray Gargan of ProAdams and the Ilvermorney Committee announced that on June 18, 2017 there will be a Magicon, Harry Potter fan event on Mt. Greylock. There will be live music, vendors, a Quidditch match, and a reenactment from latest Harry Potter film. A Facebook event has been launched and tickets will be sold. Children under 12 will be free. Insurance for the event will be provided, and Bright Ideas will be dropping off an application for a One Day Liquor License for the event.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### *Ratifications of Seasonal Laborer Positions*

Chairman Snoonian advised the list of Seasonal Laborer applicants for ratification include **Shawn Marko, Anthony Perry, Aaron Christopher, Mike Durant, Raymond Keele, Shane Fuller, Corey Luczynski, Kristopher Saunders, Richard Santelli, and Trevor Skrocki.** There were over fifteen applicants, and not all were interviewed. Not all interviewed were selected.

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**Town Administrator Mazzucco** advised he changed the process hiring Seasonal Laborers, and interviewed them himself. CORI checks are done, and ratification would be pending successful completion of a physical. He advised he will decide the seasonal assignments and schedule because in the past upon his random spot checks he found the department inefficient. Further discussion took place between Board Members and the Town Administrator regarding hiring from Adams or other towns and how to evaluate whether the best candidate can be determined from an interview.

***Motion by Member Nowak to ratify the seasonal list pending successful completion of physicals, CORI and all other necessary documents***

***Second by Member Blanchard***

***Unanimous vote***

***Motion passed***

### ***Work on Strategic Plan/Action on Strategic Plan***

**Town Administrator Mazzucco** advised there were a few areas left blank on the draft and asked the Board to review what was there before it goes to the printer. Some community items and taking down derelict buildings were not entered and also left blank were some zoning items due to implantation matrix matching. The format will not change other than spelling and grammar, and the content will remain the same unless the Board changes any final items. He complimented the conciseness of the plan, and noted it is actionable. The Open Space plan may need some funds but there are many things that can be done on it. He advised goal setting from the next fiscal year will pull from the Strategic Plan.

**Board Members** noted the extensive work done on the Strategic Plan and that there are about fifteen items in the plan already being done.

***Motion made by Member Nowak to approve the Town of Adams Strategic Plan***

***Second by Member Blanchard***

***Unanimous vote***

***Motion passed***

### **SUBCOMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS**

#### ***Planning Board***

**Member Nowak** advised he attended a *Planning Board* meeting regarding creating a bylaw for a medical marijuana dispensary, and the pros and cons were discussed.

**Town Administrator Mazzucco** advised he will guide the *Planning Board* through designing the bylaw. He noted that marijuana is legal in the Commonwealth and zoning for medical and retail marijuana is already legal in town but a bylaw will not be ready for Town Meeting in June. There is a medical marijuana dispensary company looking to locate in Adams so it may go in before the ordinance is ready. The company is looking for a letter of non-opposition, and he will be looking for the Board of Selectmen approval on it. It will be put on the agenda.

#### ***Mohawk Trail Woodland Partnership***

**Member Nowak** noted the *Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership* passed a house docket that is an Act that enables the MTWP Bill that was submitted and sponsored by Representative Kulik and co-sponsors.





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### DEPARTMENT REPORTS

#### *Town Administrator's Report*

##### ***LED Lighting***

The first LED lighting was installed on Park Street, in front of Simmons Building and New Wave Salon, to test out two different styles. There is not enough money to purchase the globes but the Fire District may be interested in helping with the project to save money. He advised he could ask for a Reserve Fund transfer for \$25,000 to \$30,000 that would be needed because it is better to do them all at once. They are \$200 to \$300 each, and amount to a little over \$100,000 without the globes. The Town may be able to find \$15,000 for it, or could go forward without replacing the globes but they are dirty and need to be cleaned.

**Member Nowak** inquired if the money from the Green Communities could be used for this and expressed reservations about transferring money from the Reserve Fund for this project.

#### *Town Counsel Report*

*There was no report submitted by Town Counsel at this meeting.*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GOOD OF THE ORDER

#### ***Channel 21 Removed***

**Member Nowak** advised that Channel 21 is no longer available locally, though Government officials are working on it.

#### ***Chairman Snoonian End of Term***

**Member Nowak** thanked Chairman Snoonian wholeheartedly for his time and service to the Town.

### ADJOURNMENT

***Motion made by Member Nowak to adjourn***

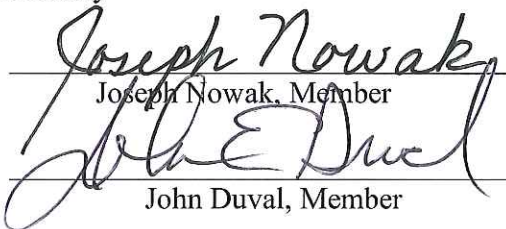
***Second by Member Blanchard***

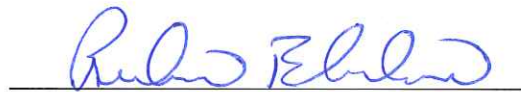
***Unanimous Vote***

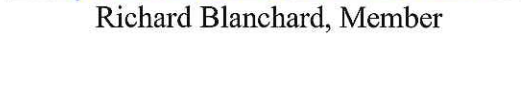
***Motion passed***

*The Board of Selectmen Meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m.*

Respectfully Submitted by Deborah J. Dunlap,  
Recording Secretary

  
Joseph Nowak, Member

  
Richard Blanchard, Member

  
Jeffrey Snoonian, Chairman