

**Town of Needham
Board of Selectmen
Minutes for February 24, 2015
Selectmen's Chamber
Needham Town Hall**

6:45 p.m. Informal Meeting with Citizens: No Activity.

7:00 p.m. Call to Order:
A meeting of the Board of Selectmen was convened by Chairman John A. Bulian. Those present were Maurice P. Handel, Matthew D. Borrelli, Daniel P. Matthews, Marianne B. Cooley, Town Manager Kate Fitzpatrick, and Recording Secretary Mary Hunt.

7:00 p.m. Public Hearing - Application for a License to Store Aboveground Fuel at 380 Rear 1st Avenue, Needham:

Kevin Daly, Normandy Real Estate Partners appeared before the Board requesting a license for Normandy Gap-V Development Needham LLC to garage aboveground parking 1,077 vehicles with gasoline and diesel fuel stored in said motor vehicle tanks on property at 380 Rear 1st Avenue, Needham. Section 4.3 of the Town of Needham General By-laws states that any amount of liquid petroleum gas in excess of 500 gallons on a property requires a license issued by the Board of Selectmen.

Ms. Fitzpatrick noted all paperwork is in order.

Mr. Bulian invited public comment. No comments were made.

Motion by Mr. Handel that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve and authorize the Chairman to sign a license for Normandy Gap-V Development Needham LLC to garage aboveground parking 1,077 vehicles with gasoline and diesel fuel stored in said motor vehicle tanks on property at 380 Rear 1st Avenue, Needham.

Second: Mr. Borrelli. Unanimously approved 5-0.

7:01 p.m. Public Hearing - NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy - Dedham Avenue:

Maureen Carroll, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy appeared before the Board requesting permission to install approximately 7 feet of conduit from pole 15/5 on Dedham Avenue, Needham. This work is necessary to provide new underground service at 60 Dedham Avenue, Needham.

Ms. Fitzpatrick noted all paperwork is in order.

Mr. Bulian invited public comment. No comments were made.

Motion by Mr. Borrelli that the Board of Selectmen approve and sign a petition from NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install approximately 7 feet of conduit from pole 15/5 on Dedham Avenue, Needham. This work is necessary to provide new underground service at 60 Dedham Avenue, Needham.

Second: Ms. Cooley. Unanimously approved 5-0.

7:03 p.m. Appointments and Consent Agenda:

Motion by Mr. Handel that the Board of Selectmen vote to approve the Appointments and Consent Agenda as presented.

APPOINTMENTS

- 1. Rail Trail Advisory Committee John Bulian (term expires 6/30/17)**

CONSENT AGENDA *=Backup attached

- 1. Accept donation to the Needham Community Revitalization Trust Fund from the following residents: \$ 1,644.50 from Eric Osgood & Cynthia Fionda-Osgood for a bench.**
- 2. Approve a One Day Special All Alcoholic Beverages license request from Mary Celeste Brown, of Parent Talk to hold its “Go Green” event on Saturday, February 28, 2015 from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. The event will be held in Powers Hall at Town Hall, 1471 Highland Avenue, Needham.**
- 3. Sign the Warrant for the Annual Town Election Warrant scheduled for April 14, 2015.**
- 4. Water and Sewer Abatement Order #1193.**
- 5. Approve minutes of February 3, 2015 (Open meeting and Executive Session) and minutes of February 10, 2015.**
- 6. Approve the following One Day Special Wines and Malt Beverages License requests from David Volante of Volante Farms: 1) Cooking Class to be held on March 7, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. 2) Grand Craft Beer Tasting to be held on March 14, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. 3) Grand Wine Tasting to be held on March 28, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. 4) Dinner in the Field to be held on July 16, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. 5) Dinner in the Field to be held on July 30, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. 6) Dinner in the Field to be held on August 13, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The first three events will be held in the Greenhouse at Volante Farms, and the other three will be held in the field at Volante Farms, 292 Forest Street, Needham.**
- 7. Approve a request from the Exchange Club of Needham to sponsor 4th of July fireworks on Friday, July 3, 2015 (rain date of July 4, 2015) and activities on Friday, July 3, 2015, and Saturday, July 4, 2015. Activities on the 4th will include a Flag Raising on the Town Common, the Grand Parade, a 5K road race, the Crafts Fair/Flea Market, and athletic competitions for younger children. Coordination of all additional activities will be made with appropriate Town Departments.**

8. **Accept a \$300 donation made to Needham Youth Services from the Patrick C. Forde Memorial Fund. The monies will be used to sponsor Needham Youth Services Patrick C. Forde Award Program.**
9. **Grant permission for the Needham Business Association to use the Town Common and surrounding area for its Street Fair on Saturday, June 6, 2015. Permission includes: utilizing the parking lot behind Town Hall for pony rides and for two portable toilets; closing Chapel Street from corner of Great Plain Avenue to the Chapel Street parking lot for food court and booths; NBA member business to have items for sale on sidewalk in front of their own stores; a trolley ride that will run from Highland Avenue by the Town Common and loop back around the town to the Town Common; and any changes as recommended by the Needham Police Department.**
10. **Grant permission for free meter parking in the downtown area on Saturday, June 6, 2015 so that residents may enjoy the Street Fair.**

Second: Mr. Borrelli. Unanimously approved 5-0.

7:03 p.m. Public Hearing - NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy - Harvard Circle:
Maureen Carroll, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy appeared before the Board requesting permission to install approximately 9 feet of conduit from pole 465/3 Harvard Circle, Needham. This work is necessary to provide new underground service at 30 Harvard Circle, Needham.

Ms. Fitzpatrick noted all paperwork is in order.

Mr. Bulian invited public comment. No comments were made.

Motion by Mr. Borrelli that the Board of Selectmen approve and sign a petition from NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install approximately 9 feet of conduit from pole 465/3 on Harvard Circle, Needham. This work is necessary to provide new underground service at 30 Harvard Circle, Needham.

Second: Ms. Cooley. Unanimously approved 5-0.

7:04 p.m. Introduce Fire Officers:
Dennis Condon, Fire Chief appeared before the Board to introduce newly promoted Fire Officers Deputy Chief Peter Cosgrove and Lieutenant Matt Bagnell.

Chief Condon said Matt Bagnell has been with the Needham Fire Department for seven years and is a great asset to the Town.

Chief Condon said he has know Peter Cosgrove virtually his whole life, as a lifelong resident of the Town. He said he is an exemplary employee who is very

involved in all fire department matters and as an active member of the community.

The Board congratulated Lieutenant Bagnell and Deputy Chief Cosgrove, and wished them both well in their new positions.

Ms. Fitzpartick recognized the work of the fire, police, and Public Works departments, who have worked under difficult circumstances this winter. She said both departments have risen to many challenges including large amounts of snow and very cold temperatures.

Mr. Bulian asked about the multiple alarm house fire on Meadowbrook Road and the support received from surrounding communities.

7:15 p.m.

Town Manager:

Kate Fitzpatrick, Town Manager appeared before the Board with 3 items to discuss:

1. Parking Lot Naming

Ms. Fitzpatrick recommended the Board consider naming the new permit parking lot at the corner of Lincoln Street and School Street as the Kimball Lot in observance of the School that was located there in the 19th century. She said Needham's Historic Commission commends the Board of Selectmen for considering Needham's historical legacy in naming the new parking lot. She noted the Board's naming policy requires that any vote on a request to name a facility may occur no sooner than the next regularly scheduled meeting.

2. Town Meeting Preparation

Ms. Fitzpatrick reviewed a draft of the 2015 Annual Town Meeting Warrant. She asked the Board to let her know if they had any questions or required any presentations on articles.

Mr. Bulian suggested zoning articles include a description of what a 'yes' or 'no' vote would mean. He said voters would have a better understanding of the consequence of their vote.

7:35 p.m.

Town Manager Report:

Ms. Fitzpatrick reminded the Board it will meet on March 10th and 24th, as well as April 7th, 15th, and 28th. She noted the annual Town election is scheduled for April 14, 2015.

Ms. Fitzpatrick commented on the Finance Committee's preliminary budget.

Ms. Fitzpatrick said the Town hosted a meeting of property owners in the Kendrick Street and Needham Crossing area to facilitate communication with MassDOT concerning the Add-A-Lane project and traffic congestion. She said the Town continues to work with the City of Newton.

7:50 p.m. Executive Session: Exception 6

Motion by Mr. Handel that the Board of Selectmen vote to enter into Executive Session.

Exception 6 - To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate, if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body. Not to return to open session prior to adjournment.

Second: Mr. Borrelli. Mr. Bulian polled the Board. Unanimously approved 5-0.

A list of all documents used at this Board of Selectmen meeting are available at:
<http://www.needhamma.gov/Archive.aspx?AMID=99&Type=&ADID=>

Note: The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.