

MINUTES OF REGULAR SESSION – January 14, 2019

ROOM 03 – TOWN HALL

7:00PM

PRESENT: Chairman Michael K. Walsh; Selectmen William E. Kingkade, Jr. and Town Administrator Richard A. Villani. William D. Buckley was absent.

1. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To sign the warrant, UNANIMOUS.
2. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To approve the Minutes of December 17, 2018 as submitted, UNANIMOUS.
3. INVITATION TO SPEAK – NONE.
4. Natalia Olive, Environmental Health and Safety Manager, for Nitto Denko Avecia, Inc., 155 Fortune Boulevard, was present seeking an amendment to the Chapter 148 Fuel Storage License. The amendment is to reduce the flammable liquids by 1,510 gallons and to increase the combustible liquids by 5,500 gallons. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To approve the amendment as requested and approved by the Fire Chief, UNANIMOUS.
5. Members of the Downtown Revitalization Committee, Laura Mann, Ronnie Pagnini and Tony Pinto were present to update the Board on the Downtown Façade Program. They informed the Board that the Town has received 10 to 12 Applications. The subcommittee is reviewing the Applications and will evaluate each application to make sure it is complete. Once the application is complete and approved by the subcommittee they will recommend final approval to the Board of Selectmen.
6. Alejandro Ruelas and Eusebio M. Ruelas of Taqueira La Estrella of 134 South Main Street, were present seeking a new Common Victualler license. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To approve the request for a Common Victualler license. UNANIMOUS.
7. Town Counsel, Charles Boddy, Jr., was present to review an Order of Taking to be signed by the Selectmen required for the Route 16 Transportation Improvement Project. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To approve the Order of Taking as requested. UNANIMOUS. Town Counsel Charles Boddy, Jr. was present to review the possible disposition of surplus properties in the Town of Milford. He reviewed the list of properties with the Selectmen and advised that all the properties were within the Charles River Watershed and were Open Space. Selectman Kingkade stated he was not sure why the Town would want to hold onto these properties and recommended the Board at least declare them surplus.

Chairman Walsh stated they are landlocked and this would place them on the Tax Roll. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To declare as surplus, the properties on the list provided by Town Counsel. UNANIMOUS.

8. Anita Houle of Cedar Donuts dba Dunkin Donuts of 111 Cedar Street, was present seeking a new Common Victualler license. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To approve the request for a Common Victualler license. UNANIMOUS.

#### 9. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT January 14, 2019

1. Route 85/Cedar Street Median Markers – The flex-post median markers within the Route 85/Cedar Street roadway immediately north of the intersection with Fortune Boulevard/Dilla Street have been installed. I want to recognize Highway Surveyor, Scott Crisafulli for overseeing this project.
2. Mileage Rate Increase- I have been informed by Finance Director, Zach Taylor, that the standard mileage reimbursement rate has been increased by the IRS by 3.5 cents and is now \$58 cents per mile.
3. Liquor License Holders - Taxes – I am pleased to report we have received current tax payments or entered into a repayment agreement from all Liquor License holders in Town.
4. Milford Auxiliary Police Officers Food Drive – I want to congratulate and thank the Auxiliary Police Officers for their tremendous efforts in raising monies and food donations for the Food Pantry. Also, thank you to every person who donated to this most worthy cause.
5. Youth Center Gifts – Jen Ward, Youth Center Director, wants to thank the following individuals and companies who donated to allow the Youth Center to distribute over 120 gifts this Holiday season: United Way of Tri-County, Inspire Dance Academy, Anytime Fitness of Medway, BST MMA in Mendon, Waters Corporation, CYCLEBAR Milford, Karen Kelly, Elizabeth Covell, Susan Schiavi, Rocky Lynch, Joanne Urella, Courtney Walsh, Beth Fraunfelter and Kate Rose.
6. 109/Beaver Street (Stop and Shop) intersection – Private land owner / developer of the Stop and Shop Plaza has spent a good deal of time, effort and money to evaluate changing the One-Way Beaver Street into a Two-Way traffic flow. The proponent has hired traffic engineers to prepare a traffic report, schematics and visual modeling which was submitted to MassDOT, District 3 showing the two way traffic pattern can work, with modification to the signalization at the Beaver Street and Medway Street intersection and the lights at the 495 southbound off ramps, without impacting the vehicles coming off the 495 ramps. The town also prepared documents in support of changing Beaver Street into a two-way traffic flow (attached). The proponent, the proponents Traffic Engineers, Town Engineer and Town Planner met at District 3 several months ago to discuss and present the project to MassDOT. These discussion do not include a "Roundabout", it will be accomplished with signalization and some modification to the traveled ways (widening of roadways, etc.). Following the submittal of information (referenced above) and our meeting with MassDot, they have recently asked the proponent's engineers to evaluate traffic on Saturday (peak conditions)

to ensure there will be no issues of traffic backups on the off ramps from 495 (on a Saturday). The traffic engineers will be performing this evaluation this coming weekend (on a Saturday). The conversion to a two way seems to be viable at this point, but the final decision from MassDOT will come after the additional information is submitted. The second item that is ongoing is the current traffic patterns at the intersection of Beaver Street and Medway Street (Route 109), more specifically cars traveling eastbound on Rt. 109 and taking a left onto Beaver Street to travel northbound, there currently is no dedicated turn signal for this left turn and there isn't even an advanced green light for this left turn, making 'taking a left' onto Beaver street very challenging with three lanes of oncoming traffic to contend with. Over the past several months the developer of the Milford Crossing Shopping Plaza has had their traffic engineers prepare traffic studies, reports and design plans to add signals / lights to the intersection, the plans also include a new "Phasing" plan for the traffic signals to accommodate the new traffic lights allowing for a dedicated left turn lane and signal light. This will include some modifications / installation of new signal poles so cost may be an issue. The traffic engineer also says the loop detectors are missing from the Medway Street travel lane (loop detectors are sensors in the roadway that detect when cars are stopped at the intersection sending a signal back to the control box to properly execute the traffic light signalization / phasing). So this design is not 100-percent complete and we are still working with the developer.

10. Santiago Pizha of Restaurant Bahia and Bakery was present seeking an amendment to change the hours of operation to its existing Common Victualler License to 5 AM to midnight Monday through Sunday. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To approve the request. UNANIMOUS.

11. The Board reviewed the revised Job Description for the Technology Support Technician which was prepared by HR Director Maureen Giffin and IT Manager Andrew Diorio. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To approve the revised Job Description. UNANIMOUS.

12. The Board reviewed five (5) new applicants seeking membership on the War Memorial Renovation Committee. They are Jeff Niro, Vincent R. Kiejzo, Joseph Lutfy, John Pilla and Frank Andreotti, Jr. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To approve the five (5) new appointments. UNANIMOUS.

13. In accordance with MGL chapter 128, sections 15 and 16, the Board is required to nominate an Inspector of Animals by April 1, 2019. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh to nominate Rochelle Thomson as the Inspector of Animals and Keith Haynes as the Assistant Animal Control Officer. UNANIMOUS.

14. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh: To accept the \$2,000.00 gift from the Law Firm of Alavi & Braza, P.C. to the Youth Center. UNANIMOUS.

15. After reviewing the Police Chief's Annual License Establishment Activity Report for January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018, the Board indicated no concerns with the Report.

16. The Board reviewed the Task Force and Escalated Zoning Report from the Building Commissioner and indicated no concerns with the Report.

**17. INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE - NONE**

18. Chairman Walsh stated the Executive Session scheduled will not be held.

19. Mr. Kingkade moved, seconded by Mr. Walsh to adjourn the Selectmen's Meeting at 7:58 PM, UNANIMOUS.

Respectfully submitted:

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Richard A. Villani  
Minutes Recorder

MILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Michael K. Walsh, Chairman

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William D. Buckley

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William E. Kingkade, Jr.