



OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Veronica Kell, *Chairman*

Chaz Sexton-Diranian, *Vice Chairman*

Theresa A. Morse, *Clerk*

R. Eric Slagle, Town Administer

	<p>Topic: Board of Selectmen</p> <p>Time: May 11, 2022 18:00 Eastern Time {US and Canada}</p>
Preliminaries:	<p>Board of Selectmen meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. with Theresa A Morse, Chaz Sexton-Diranian and Veronica Kell present.</p> <p>Announced that meeting is being recorded and will be posted on afterwards. It is not live on channel 9 as the conservation commission meeting is being recorded for live broadcast.</p> <p>Pledge of Allegiance recited.</p>
Public Comment:	<p>None</p>
Additions or deletions	<p>Deleted: 4.1 Use of Town Vehicle Policy - Second Reading</p> <p>Additions: 5.6 Sign previous approved contract with K5 Corp.</p>
Minutes Review:	<p>Motion was made by Theresa A Morse and seconded Chaz Sexton-Diranian to approve the minutes of 5/2/22. Motion passed with Theresa A Morse, Chaz Sexton-Diranian and Veronica Kell in favor.</p> <p>Motion was made by Theresa A Morse and seconded Chaz Sexton-Diranian to approve the minutes of 5/3/22. Motion passed with Theresa A Morse, Chaz Sexton-Diranian and Veronica Kell in favor.</p>
Appointments and Hearings:	
(6:05) Deliberate on Honeyland Farms application for a Wine and Malt	<p>Motion was made by Theresa A Morse and seconded Chaz Sexton-Diranian to continue to deliberate the Honeyland Farm application for a Wine and Malt License from 4/27 & 4/20 .</p>

License (see 4/27 & 4/20 hearing)

Questions were asked of Chairman if approved what conditions would be on approval. Chairman listed several items including parking, leaflets, monitoring underage and possibly other items to be discussed.

Motion was made by Theresa A Morse and seconded Chaz Sexton-Diranian to approve the Honeyland Farm application for a Wine and Malt License from 4/27 & 4/20 . Veronica Kell discussed her concerns with the proximity to the church, town square (especially during Band Concerts) and the opioid treatment center. Chaz Sexton-Diranian expressed similar concerns. Motion failed with Theresa A Morse voting in favor with conditions, and Chaz Sexton-Diranian and Veronica Kell against.

After the vote the partitioners did express disappointment with the decision and concerned that they would no longer be able to continue to operate their business (that they have operated for years) in Townsend. They were instructed to work with their lawyer, and they peacefully left the meeting.

Joint meeting with the Friends of the Bandstand Committee and Cemetery and Parks Commission (6:30)

John Barrett called the Cemetery and Parks Commission meeting to order.

An attendance sheet was passed to all present and will be added into the record.

The meeting started with the discussion of who "controls" the Gazebo

The Research Memorandum on the Gazebo Project written by Harrison Mayotte was distributed to those present and read into the record.

John Barrett objected to the conclusion about control stating that since the town center has operated as a park for over 100 years, while it may not have been specifically deeded as a park. M.G.L. c. 45 § 5 supports the Cemetery and Parks Department have control over the property due to the fact of it being without dispute a park/town common. John also stated there is legal precedence on this standing re: Boston Common.

There was much discussion among both groups present with a split among those present.

Theresa A Morse was brought up to date on the history and informed the issue of control is important to both groups because there is a split among the groups how to proceed with the Gazabo projects.

The discussion from the park commission was that it needs to be restored .. keeping it as the historical bandstand that has been on the common for years.

To support this option the August 6, 2021 report by Lorgan Architects report was presented. It states while much will be needed and other issues may be found ...The Gazebo can be restored. This study also concluded that the primary structure was in good shape.

The Bandstand committee felt, after review, the bandstand should be rebuilt but keeping to the architectural design and incorporation any of the original items that can be reclaimed. This options allows for making the bandstand footprint larger to support the growing band and making the bandstand ADA accessible. Something that the Selectboard stated would be import to the towns people.

Betty Mae was asked to speak to the board about the issue if the Gazebo does need to be larger. Although Betty did not want to voice an opinion either way with discussion it was noted the additional size would help. Also additional electrical outlets and upgrade to sound system would be helpful.

The building inspector review ADA requirement (required even if only making changes if changes cost 30% of appraised \$125,000) value and it was determined even if project is a restoration ADA requirement will need to be meet.

John Barrett did mention there is an appeal process but the building inspector informed group appeal would require alternative solution.

Discussion with the building superintendent was started by Theresa A Morse to determine what could be gained from an engineering study. He explained the process and stated we could learn much about best options, but the cost would most likely be around \$10,000.

Finally, the decision was made the Select Board wants to see the two groups, the Friends of the Bandstand Committee and Cemetery and Parks Commission get together and come back to the board with a recommendation. They were instructed to return to the board at the June 7, 2022, BOS Meeting.

Appointments of
Personnel

Appointments to the following committees were forwarded as appropriate

Recreation

Planning

Deleted

Conservation

Projects	
Town Administrator Updates and Reports	<p>4.1 Use of Town Vehicle Policy – Second Reading Deleted from meeting agenda</p> <p>Chair will present 3 projects next meeting.</p>
Liaison updates	None
Announcements:	
Sign warrants	Theresa A Morse reported she has made contact with all groups in which she is liaison
Addition to Agenda	<p>Swearing in of new Town Administrator; Monday May 16th 9:00 AM</p> <p>Thanks to all who participated in Town Meeting</p>
Next Meeting	<p>Motion was made by Theresa A Morse and seconded by Chaz Sexton-Diranian to sign payroll and bills payable warrant out of session.</p> <p>Vote was unanimous - all in favor by roll call vote.</p>
Adjournment	<p>Motion was made by Chaz Sexton-Diranian and seconded by Veronica Kell to sign previous approved contract with K5 Corp-for the RRFB at Spaulding Memorial School and striping the Bike Lanes and crosswalks.</p> <p>Vote was unanimous - all in favor by roll call vote.</p> <p>May 17, 2022, at 6 p.m.</p>

Motion was made by Theresa A Morse and seconded by Chaz Sexton-Diranian to adjourn at 8:25 pm.

Vote was unanimous - all in favor by roll call vote.

Recording of meeting found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SBL22Pg7vAk&list=PLQpCwUSpXeCa-inxdzK0jQMgEx3wCFBbE&index=1>