

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 7:00 P.M., in the Daniel J. Toomey Hearing Room, Town Hall, Danvers.

Present: Chair, Diane M. Langlais David A. Mills; Daniel C. Bennett; William H. Clark; Gardner S. Trask, III

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

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On a motion by Selectman Trask and seconded by Selectman Clark, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Minutes of January 24, 2017.

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New public business:

There was no new business

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The Board considered the appointment to the **Conservation Commission: Chelsea T. King**
The Board considered the reappointments to the following committee/board positions:

- **Danvers Affordable Housing Trust: Sally Calhoun, Carla King, and Gardner Trask**
- **Cable Advisory Committee: Jonathan Bingham**

On a motion by Selectman Clark and seconded by Selectman Trask, the Board voted 5-0 to appoint/reappoint the previous Committee/ Board positions.

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The Board was requested to accept a gift of a “memorial bench” at Endicott Park from Mary Roach in memory of Marty Roach in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, §53A. On a motion by Selectman Clark and seconded by Selectman Bennett, the Board voted 5-0 to accept the gift.

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The Board heard the Fiscal Year 2016 Audit Report by the Town’s independent auditor. Scott McIntyre, CPA of Melanson & Heath answered various questions of the Board.

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The Danvers Affordable Housing Trust reappeared before the Board and answered various questions from neighbors and the Board regarding the proposal to transfer Town owned undeveloped property at 5 Laurine Road to construct a modest 3 bedroom home. On a motion by Selectman Bennett and seconded by Selectman Clark, the Board voted 5-0 to table the property transfer until the next Board meeting on February 21, 2017. Laurine Road neighbors will work with DAHT at their next meeting on Feb 15, 2017 to address neighborhood concerns.

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The Board was in receipt of a request by the Danvers Traffic Advisory Committee to amend the Traffic Rules & Orders as follows:

Article III, Section 5 “Obedience to Traffic Signs and Signals”

“NO STANDING’ - PAGE STREET on the northerly side between the properties of 7 Page Street and 11 Page Street.

Karen Nelson, Planning Director and Police Chief Pat Ambrose presented information the matter and answered various questions of the Board. On a motion by Selectman Trask and seconded by Selectman Clark, the Board voted 4-0-1 with Selectmen Bennett abstaining to amend the previous amendment to the Traffic Rules & Orders.

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The Board heard from traffic consultant Justin Curewitz, Karen Nelson, Planning Director and Police Chief Pat Ambrose on the Municipal Modernization Act and a potential vote to “opt-in” as it relates to reduced speed limits. On a motion by Selectman Langlais and seconded Bennett, the Board voted 5-0 to “opt-in”.

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The Town Manager provided an update to the Board on items of interest, as follows:

- FY18 Budget update
- Fin Com Hearings: April 10, April 12, April 13
- ATM Warrant Review April 18
- Citizen Survey is complete
- Town Clerk update on Town Election and Annual Census

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Correspondence, Selectmen “New Business,” previous “New Public business” updates and Selectmen closing updates were provided, as follows:

- Passing of Shirley Farrell, Ron Taylor, Rolly Citroni & Norman Zuk
- Thank you to Town from Diversity Committee for support
- February 15 Event for “Marine of the Year”
- Harborlight Senior Partner Event
- Danvers Recreation vacation programs

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Consent Calendar

On a motion by Selectman Trask and seconded by Selectman Langlais, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the following consent calendar items:

Banner

- * Danvers Girls Softball, over Maple Street, February 27- March 5

Class 2 Dealer License

- * Pelletier & Milbury, Corp., d/b/a Port Auto Sales, 129 Water Street

Second Hand Articles

- * Guitar Center #551, 120 Andover Street

Common Victualler Licenses

- * Boston Bread LLC, d/b/a Panera Bread, 100 Independence Way, Liberty Tree Mall
- * McDonald’s of Danvers, Inc., d/b/a McDonald’s, 135 Andover Street
- * Portside Diner Group, Inc., d/b/a Portside Diner, 2 River Street
- * CEC Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Chuck E. Cheese’s 139 Endicott Street

COAD License

- * CEC Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Chuck E. Cheese’s 139 Endicott Street (75 COADs)

Entertainment

* CEC Entertainment, Inc., d/b/a Chuck E. Cheese's 139 Endicott Street

The Selectmen closing comments were offered, as follows:

Remember Veterans and active servicemen and women.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 P.M.

Attest: Joseph L. Collins (Clerk)