

Selectmen's Meeting
Thursday, October 20, 2016
9:00 a.m.

The meeting opened at 9:00 a.m. Present were the Selectmen, George Donovan, Tony Palminteri and Glenn Dochtermann. Also present were Joyce Wood, Fred Holt, Jim Allaire, Andy Bors and Darcy Hobgood.

It was reported by Joyce Wood that she contacted Tammy Wells, Reporter of the Journal Tribune, of this meeting to cover statutory regulations on posting of meetings. (The meeting was posted at 4:30 on October 19th.)

Several topics were discussed in relation to setting schedules for hearings and notices for Town meeting in December.

- Moratorium Ordinance. The process to bring this to a Town Meeting vote on December 3, 2016 was reviewed. It was moved by Mr. Palminteri to put the question on the December 3rd Town Meeting Warrant for a Moratorium Ordinance regarding Recreational Marijuana Retail Establishments and Social Clubs if Question #1 passes on November 8, 2016 and to give notice to the Town Clerk after the vote on the 8th. Glenn Dochtermann seconded the motion and all voted in favor.
- Proposed Design Review Ordinance and related zoning changes: Copies of the proposed ordinance and zoning changes were reviewed. It was reported that the Planning Board has been given these proposed changes and have agreed to meet with the Selectmen next Tuesday to discuss this and the potential contract zoning ordinance. Mr. Allaire reported on minor comments that had been made at the Planning Board meeting. Mrs. Wood reported that she is waiting for a response from MMA Legal on who has authority to bring zoning changes to a town meeting. After further discussion, motion was made by Tony Palminteri to, bring the proposed changes to the December 3, 2016 Town Meeting and to notify the Town Clerk at the appropriate time with a copy of these changes. Glenn Dochtermann seconded and all voted in favor. Also agreed on by the Board was, if MMA Legal has not responded by end of day, today, that Ms. Wood contact Attorney Rachin and ask this question, knowing that doing so would cause an increase to the overdraft in the Legal account.
- Amendments to the Comprehensive Plan regarding Contract Zoning. Ms. Wood reported that the Comprehensive Plan Committee needs to hold a Public Hearing on this potential amendment and that the notice for that hearing must be posted 30 days prior to the hearing. She reported that the date for the Public Hearing will need to be on November 22nd due to time constraints in placing the notice. And that she has been speaking with the Co-Chair, Amy Titcomb about this. Mr. Allaire, CEO and a member of the Comprehensive Plan, said that he would represent the Comp Plan at that hearing as the Co-Chairs may not be able to attend. After further discussion, it was moved and seconded to place an ad in both the Smart Shopper and in the Journal Tribune if they were posting it in this week's edition for the November 22, 2016 Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m.

- Contract Zoning proposed ordinance. Mrs. Wood reported that Planner Kathy Connor, SMPDC, will complete and send the proposed ordinance this week and will send copies to all. The Board agreed to bring to next week's meeting to discuss this with the Planning Board. Motion was made by Mr. Palminteri and seconded by Mr. Dochtermann to, bring the proposed ordinance to the December 3, 2016 Town Meeting and to notify the Town Clerk at the appropriate time with a copy of these changes. All voted in favor.

Andy Bors, Town Clerk, then made a recommendation that the Town should consider hiring help to move equipment to the Conant Chapel for voting especially during a presidential election. After discussion the Board agreed to contact the transfer station staff to inquire if 2 or 3 of them might be interested in working the day before to set up and the day after elections to take down the equipment. Also discussed was the potential need to deputize additional election workers for this upcoming election. The Board agreed that Mr. Bors give this consideration and let them know next week.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.