



TOWN OF KINGSTON  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
OPEN SESSION MINUTES  
ROOM 200/ZOOM  
May 17, 2022

Chairman Kimberley Emberg called to order the meeting of the Board of Selectmen at 6:00 PM. Selectmen in attendance: Donald Alcombright, Sheila Vaughn, Tyler Bouchard, and Jessica Kramer.

Staff Present: Keith Hickey, Town Administrator; Gloria Mitchell, Assistant Town Administrator; and Patricia Tucker, Assistant to the Town Administrator.

Announcements Ms. Emberg read:

- This meeting is being recorded by PACTV. Anyone intending to make an audio or video recording of this meeting should notify the Chair at this time.
- Financial Assistance Applications are available on the Town's website or by calling the Selectmen's
- Thank you for attending Town Meeting
- Hiring Lifeguards for Gray's Beach, more information is available online.
- Memorial Day Parade is held on Monday, May 31, with a cookout immediately following at the Town House.
- Music Nights are continuing every other Tuesday night at Gray's Beach.
- Brush Chipping is happening on the third Saturday of each month.
- The next Farmers Market is on June 5<sup>th</sup> at Gray's Beach.

Ms. Emberg announced that the Board would pass over additional item #1 this evening.

## OPEN FORUM

Jean Landis Naumann of 84 Wolf Pond Road was in attendance and wanted to let the Board know of the recent death of John (Jack) Burrey; he was very active with the Historical Commission. There will be a memorial for Mr. Burrey at the Bradford House on Saturday, June 25.

The Hazardous Household Waste is on June 4<sup>th</sup>; more information is on the Town's website.

Old Colony Planning Council is doing a comprehensive economic development strategy committee, and Ms. Naumann believes Kingston should have a representative.

## APPOINTMENTS

### Proclamation for National Police Week, May 11, 2022, through May 17, 2022

Ms. Emberg announced that the Town Administrator is asking the Board of Selectmen to recognize the Kingston Police Department for National Police Week from May 11, 2022, through May 17, 2022.

Motion by Mr. Alcombright, second by Mr. Bouchard and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen declare May 11, 2022, through May 17, 2022, as National Police Week

### Proclamation for National Public Works Week, May 15, 2022, through May 21, 2022

Ms. Emberg explained that the Town Administrator is asking the Board of Selectmen to recognize the Streets, Trees and Parks, Water Department, and Wastewater Departments for National Public Works Week from May 15, 2022, through May 21, 2022.

Motion by Ms. Kramer, second by Mr. Alcombright, and a 5-0-0 vote,

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen to declare May 15, 2022, through May 21, 2022, as National Public Works Week.

Ms. Emberg announced that there are a few one-day liquor licenses to approve and gave a brief description of each of these requests.

Request for One Day Liquor License for Latitude Beverage / 90 + Cellars at the Kingston Collection Food Truck Festival, May 21, 2022

Motion by Mr. Alcombright, second by Mr. Bouchard and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen to approve the one-day liquor license for Christina Solazzo of Latitude Beverage for the Kingston Collection Food Trust Fest at 101 Kingston Collection Way on May 21, 2022, from 11 AM-4 PM

Request for One Day Liquor License for Upland No Co dba Brewery 44

Motion by Ms. Vaughn, second by Mr. Alcombright and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen to approve the one-day liquor license for Michael Johnson of Brewery 44 for events at Gray's Beach on May 31, 2022, June 28, 2022, and July 26, 2022, and August 23, 2022, and September 24, 2022.

Request form to the Bay Inc to hold the 20<sup>th</sup> Harbor to the Bay Bike Ride on September 17, 2022

Ms. Emberg explained that David Whitman of Harbor to the Bay requested to hold their 20<sup>th</sup> Harbor to the Bay Bike Ride on Saturday, September 17, 2022, through the streets of Kingston. The request was sent to the Police and Fire Chief and the Superintendent of Streets, Trees and Parks for review; their recommendations are in the meeting packet.

Motion by Mr. Bouchard, second by Ms. Vaughn and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen approve the request from David Whitman of Harbor to the Bay Bike Ride to hold their 20<sup>th</sup> Harbor to the Bay Bike Ride on Saturday, September 17, 2022.

Continuation Public Hearing: Application to amend existing Alcohol License for Indian Pond Country Club

Ms. Emberg explained that the original request was denied back in 2021; at that time, Indian Pond Country Club filed an appeal with the ABCC, to which the Town was notified it was recently withdrawn.

Attorney John Flemming, who represents Indian Pond Country Club Inc., was in attendance to speak about the application submitted to the Town in April, and it is the same request that was filed and denied back in 2021. Attorney Flemming said about Indian Pond, which he stated is a significant employer in the Town, and a lot of its business is events on the gold course. The club has lost five tournaments this year due to not having this license.

Ms. Kramer asked if private carts are allowed on the golf course, to which Attorney Fleming responded they are not.

Ms. Kramer asked if the Police have jurisdiction in a private way. Mr. Hickey stated that that this is a public, unaccepted way so yes, they have jurisdiction, but they cannot patrol there but can come if called.

Tim Dwyer of Country Club Way spoke to his perspective, and this decision is much broader than just selling a beer on a golf course. He believes that the Country Club has not been able to serve alcohol on the course since last summer, long enough.

Motion by Mr. Alcombright, second by Mr. Bouchard and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen to close the Public Hearing.

Ms. Emberg mentioned that she had not heard of any recent violations.

Ms. Kramer asked about the jurisdictions of the roads, which will be reviewed.

Motion by Ms. Vaughn, second by Mr. Alcombright, and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen approve the request from Indian Pond Country Club to amend its existing alcoholic beverage license to sell and service alcoholic beverages on its golf course using no more than two mobile beverage carts and a snack shack located near the 10th hole to sell alcoholic beverage on the golf course, pending ABCC approval.

Mr. Dwyer added that the Police could enforce issues on Country Club Way.

## **ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

### Potential Summer Auction of Tax Title Properties

This item will not be heard this evening and will be at a future meeting.

### Seasonal Employee Appointments for Recreation Department

The Recreation Department is recommending the appointment of a Program Coordinator and Counselor. The Director of Parks and Recreation stated that the Recreation Department is still recruiting for Waterfront/Park Staff - Lifeguards but has not received any applications.

Motion by Ms. Vaughn, second by Mr. Alcombright and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen appoint the following

Heather Sexton – Intervention Facilitator

Jake McDonald – Counselor

Gavin McKenna – Counselor

Ella Hughes – Counselor

Jada Lenny – Counselor

Sarah Ventola – Counselor

Teddy Yamin – Counselor

Aiden Ramsey – Counselor

Jayton Woods – Counselor

Cali Hansen – Counselor

Mary Kate McKenna – Counselor

Jack Ryan – Counselor

Jack LaNatra – Counselor

### Discussion of June Pride Month

Nicole O'Brien of Plymouth Pride spoke on behalf of this request. Ms. O'Brien read the Affirmative Action Policy from 2001.

Ms. Vaughn appreciates this request and is a big supporter of Plymouth Pride. Ms. Vaughn added that she would find it hard to vote on one flag and not for all that could come before the Town to be flown.

Ms. Emberg added that there had been some issues in Boston as there was no clearly defined flag policy. Ms. Emberg recommended that the Board adopt a policy before voting tonight.

Ms. Kramer agrees that a policy is needed. The Board decided to table this item until a policy was put in place.

Nathan Hedberg of 5 Post Court asked about the time frame for a policy, and Ms. Emberg stated that the next meeting is May 31.

### Acceptance of Resignations, Director of Elder Affairs, Welcome Desk Receptionist, and Head of Adult Services

Ms. Emberg explained that the following individuals submitted their resignations of employment from the Town from their current positions.

Motion by Ms. Vaughn, second by Mr. Alcombright and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen accept the following resignations:

Paula Rossi-Clapp, Director of Elder Affairs at the COA effective June 5, 2022. Ms. Rossi-Clapp will begin as Kingston's Health Agent on June 6, 2022.

Tom Powers, Welcome Desk Receptionist at the COA effective May 27, 2022.

Alvin Ealy as the Head of Adult Services/Reference at the Library effective, May 13, 2022.

### Appoint a Selectmen to be in discussion with the Town of Hanson's De regionalization Feasibility Study Committee

Ms. Emberg explained that the Town of Hanson Selectmen Jim Hickey is requesting a Selectman and Finance Committee member to participate in Hanson's Feasibility Study Committee to determine whether to leave the Whitman-Hanson School District. Finance Committee Chair Deb MacLean has volunteered to represent the Kingston Finance Committee, and the Board needs to vote on a representative tonight for the Selectmen.

Ms. Kramer and Ms. Vaughn both showed interest in this committee.

Motion by Ms. Kramer, second by Mr. Alcombright and a 4-0-1 vote, by roll call vote (Ms. Vaughn abstained)

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen to appoint Sheila Vaughn to represent the Kingston Board of Selectmen in the Town of Hanson's Feasibility Study Committee

### Renewal of April Bowling and Billiard Licenses

Ms. Emberg explained that these are annual license renewals.

Motion by Mr. Alcombright, second by Mr. Bouchard and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen approves the annual licenses as printed in the meeting packet.

### Acceptance of Donation

Ms. Emberg explained that The Veteran's Department and the Conservation Department received some donations.

Motion by Ms. Vaughn, second by Mr. Alcombright and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen accept the following donations:

- \$200 donation from an anonymous donor to Kingston Veteran's Services Department
- \$1,500 donation from an anonymous donor to the Conservation Department for the Mulliken Landing Project
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Mr. Bouchard explained that the Town received funding through the State for Mulliken's Landing, and they were \$8,000 short for this project, so these donors stepped up to help.

### Acceptance of Reappointment

Ms. Emberg asked if there were any concerns regarding the reappointments, and there were none.

Motion by Ms. Vaughn, second by Mr. Alcombright and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen appoint the following effective immediately:

- Edward Valla to the Kingston Educational Trust Fund through June 30, 2027
- Michelle Vitagliano to the Board of Registrars through June 30, 2025
- Rui David Santos to the Agricultural Commission through June 30, 2025
- Matthew Wheble to the Waterfront Committee through June 30, 2025
- Douglas Hawthorne as the Plumbing Inspector through June 30, 2023
- Thomas Bouchard as the Plumbing and Gas Inspector through June 30, 2023
- Steven Ellis as the Wiring Inspector through June 30, 2023
- Lionel Warner as the Wiring Inspector through June 30, 2023

### Town Administrators Update

The House and Senate have approved versions of the FY23 State budget. Representatives from the House and Senate will begin meeting to negotiate a budget that both groups can support. Both the House and Senate budget versions will provide a positive budget impact on Kingston.

The wind turbine on the former landfill is scheduled to be taken down in June. An exact date has not been determined. Once the schedule has been finalized, an announcement will be uploaded to the Town website.

Applications are now open for seasonal Parks & Recreation Positions at Gray's Beach. A Waterfront Director and Lifeguard Positions remain unfilled. Anyone interested can contact Kingston Recreation at 781-585-0533.

Brush Chipping at the Transfer Station is offered every third Saturday of the month.

The existing Transfer Station decal expires on June 30.

The new Fire Department ladder truck will be delivered in April.

The Memorial Day parade will be held on Monday, May 30, beginning at 10:00 AM at the World War Memorial located across from the Cancun Restaurant on Route 3A. The parade route will be Landing Road to Main Street, then Green Street, and ending at the Town House on Evergreen Street. There will be speakers at the Town House to conclude the ceremony. After the ceremony, there will be a cookout behind the Town House for anyone interested in stopping by. There is no charge for the cookout.

#### Meeting Minutes

Motion by Ms. Vaughn, second by Mr. Alcombright and a 5-0-0 vote, by roll call vote

VOTE: "I move the Board of Selectmen approve the March 8, 2022, March 22, 2022, and May 3, 2022, Open Session Minutes

#### Selectmen Comments

Ms. Emberg asked about a moratorium on building in the Town, and Mr. Hickey answered that the Town Planner is working on this and will have an update shortly.

Mr. Alcombright asked about getting some quotes on the paving of Opachinski fields to the road.

Ms. Vaughn was disappointed by the turnout of the Town Meeting and thanked all the department heads and administrators who put in much work for Town Meeting.

Ms. Vaughn would like a future agenda item to discuss the bylaw for the timing of elections and town meetings.

Ms. Kramer is happy to be back in person.

Mr. Bouchard stated that boating season is open at the Ahdenah.

Motion by Mr. Bouchard, second by Mr. Alcombright, and a 5-0-0 vote,

VOTE: I move to adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia Tucker

Assistant to the Town Administrator/Board of Selectmen

#### Documents used at the meeting:

Agenda

Agenda Addendum

Proclamations

One Day Liquor Licenses

Indian Pond Information

Tax Title

Recreational Staff

Flag Discussion backup

Resignations

Memo from Schools  
April Licenses  
Reappointments  
Town Administrator report