

TOWN OF FOXBOROUGH

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

April 11th, 2018

**Committee Members Present: Bernard Dumont, Thom Freeman, Seth Ferguson, Jennifer Frank-Bonnet, Michelle Raymond, Sean McCarthy, Sharon Weiskerger, Larry Ooi, Robert Canfield, Brent Ruter.**

**Members Absent: Sue Dring, Stephanie McGowan.**

**Others Present: Mary Beth Bernard, Randy Scollins, Ashish Raval-Business Owner of Hops and Grapes, Representation for and Members of current All Alcohol License Holders, Virginia Coppola, Christina Belanger, Amy Berdos, Bill Yukna, Fire Chief Roger Hatfield.**

**The meeting was brought to order at 7:15 PM by Bernard.** Randy presented the latest draft warrant, including recommendations from the administration to remove certain articles.

**7:18 PM CIP Budget Requests.** Randy provided a breakdown of all CIP items. The ADCOM then voted on the CIP budget.

Bernard made a motion to recommend the CIP Budget Request-Article 5 as presented, seconded by Larry.

**Vote: 9/0/0**

**7:20 PM Track and Turf Field, Article 6 voting and discussion.** Discussion centered on what was economically practical regarding interest rates, strategic financial planning, and if the means to fund the project were immediately available.

Sean made a motion to recommend amending Article 6 by making it two separate allocations, and reduce the request to half this year, seconded by Bernard.

**Vote: 2/6/1**

Bernard made a motion to recommend the article as written, seconded by Larry.

**Vote: 8/1/0**

**7:31 PM ADCOM voted on the Fire Department Personnel Contract (Article 7).**

Bernard made a motion to recommend the article as written, seconded by Seth

Vote: 9/0/0.

**7:33 PM ADCOM voted on the DPW Contract (Article 9).** The vote on the article was tabled as the Board of Selectmen had not yet approved the DPW Contract.

**7:34 PM Discussion and vote on Special Legislation- To Upgrade an existing Off-Premise Annual Package Store license from Wines and Malt to All Alcohol, Article 18.** Discussion included the value of the license, history of obtaining the license and the process the petition would take through legislation. Also included in the discussion market conditions and growth, and existing legislation regarding Alcohol Licenses.

Michelle made a motion to recommend the article as written, seconded by Robert.

Vote: 1/2/6

Seth requested to go on record that he was shocked at the amount of abstain votes, citing the vote was counterproductive to the purpose of the ADCOM serving in an advisory capacity.

Bernard made a motion to reconsider the vote, seconded by Sharon.

Vote: 9/0/0

**8:11 PM Further Discussion on Article 18.**<sup>1</sup> Discussions included free market theory, if the existing regulations were outdated and constituted a monopoly, past practices of obtaining a liquor license, current node regulations, information on similar articles being put forward to the state, and the possible outcomes of the petition.

Michelle made a motion to recommend the article as written, seconded by Seth.

Vote: 4/4/2

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<sup>1</sup> 8:12 PM Brent joined the session. Voter number changed from 9 to 10



**8:50 PM Zoning Special Regulation 7.6 an Act to Regulate take-offs and landing of unmanned aircraft also known as Article 26.** Discussion on that the article covers, whether if it's too restrictive, and if it benefits the town's safety. Concerns were brought up that the article may be too broad in language, additionally discussion was held on the impact of drone deliveries from big box stores.

Jennifer made a motion to recommend the article as written, seconded by Larry.

**Vote: 10/0/0**

**9:06 PM Sean requested that Article 19-Capital Improvement Planning Committee-Revised Language (appoints several entities) be added to the agenda for next meeting.**

**9:15 PM Jennifer motioned to adjourn, seconded by Michelle.**

**Vote: 10/0/0**

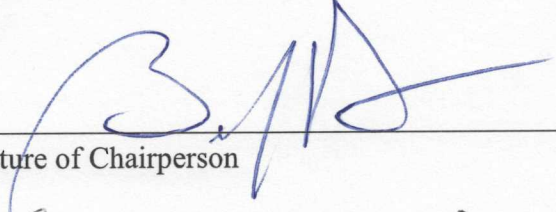
**Next meeting to be held and located at the Andrew Gala Jr. Meeting Room on April 24<sup>th</sup> 2018, at 7:00 PM.**

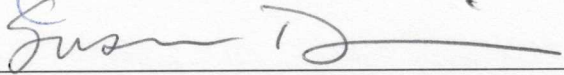
**Minutes Taken by Matthew Mackenzie**

Minutes approved by Vote of the Advisory Committee.

Date of Meeting:

Vote:

  
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Signature of Chairperson

  
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Signature of Vice Chairperson