



# TOWN OF ROCKLAND

## Board of Selectmen

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*Town Administrator:*  
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*Executive Assistant:*  
Susan M. Ide

## MINUTES of APRIL 6, 2015

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**Monday, April 6, 2015 @ 7 p.m.**

**H. BERNARD MONAHAN MEMORIAL ROOM**  
**TOWN HALL, 242 UNION STREET**  
**ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS**

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE MOS

Selectman Chaffee was not in attendance for this meeting

*Chairman Kimball read:*

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### 1. OPEN FORUM

**-Parade info for opening of Little League and Softball season.**

**Rockland Little League President Brian Wyllie and Rockland Girls Softball President George Grass appeared before the BOS to request approval for an April 25, 2015 Opening Day parade in Rockland.**

**~MOTION to approve subject to Police Department coordination by Mr. Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Welch passed 4-0.**

## **MINUTES**

### **2. Minutes of March 16, 2015**

~MOTION to approve by Mr. Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Welch passed 4-0.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **3. Food Party Liquor License Application**

~MOTION to open Hearing by Mr. Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0.

Petitioner Felipe Fonseca appeared before the BOS to discuss and answer questions regarding the Liquor License application for the Food Party Inc. located at 357 Union Street.

~MOTION to close Hearing by Mr. Welch, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Ryan passed 4-0.

~MOTION to approve application by Mr. Welch, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Ryan passed 4-0.

### **4. Southfield Redevelopment Authority Finance Committee appointment**

TA Chiocca informed the BOS of the resignation by Joe Gambon from the SRA Finance Committee and Rockland Capital Planning Committee.

~MOTION to accept Joe Gambon resignation with regret by Mr. Welch, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Ryan passed 4-0.

TA Chiocca and Town Accountant Hart recommended appointing Rockland Finance Committee member Jesse McSweeney to the vacancy.

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~MOTION to appoint Jesse McSweeney to the SRA Finance Committee by Mr. Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Welch passed 3-0-1(Ryan).

### **5. Attorney Galvin zoning change proposals**

Rockland Land Use Attorney Robert Galvin appeared before the BOS to discuss those Annual Town Meeting Articles dealing with zoning changes in this year's warrant. He also updated the BOS on pending legal cases in which he is representing the Town of Rockland. The 3 separate cases involving zoning enforcement issues with are David Balch on Emerson Street, the DelPrete case on Concord Street, and continuing litigation with Kevin McGee on Union Street.

## **6. Review STM Warrant forward to Finance**

**TA Chiocca reviewed the proposed Special Town Meeting articles (included in the item 5 printing of the warrant).**

**~MOTION to approve and forward the Special Town Meeting warrant to the Finance Committee by Mr. Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Johnson passed 4-0.**

## **10. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE**

**-TA Chiocca announced the DOR certified Free Cash for Rockland is \$1,836,218.00 which is the highest amount in memory and a clear endorsement of the Town's recent overall financial planning for the past few years.**

**-Announced the Town Clerk had received a notification from Anthony Fiore withdrawing from the Treasurer's race on April 11, 2015.**

**-Informed the BOS that the Chief of Police has lifted the all night street parking ban effective April 4, 2015.**

**-Reminded the BOS they have been invited to the annual Spellman Oratorical Contest at the Rockland Auditorium.**

**-Thanked the District 5 DOT Highway division for replacing the fence at Reed's pond.**

**-Announced the Board of Health has terminated the trash pick-up contract with Mike DelPrete. The new contract is with Republic Services of Marshfield, MA.**

**-TA Chiocca indicated he is visiting with Selectman Chaffee and feels there is some improvement everyday but the long term prognosis is still undecided.**

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## **SELECTMAN'S COMMENTS**

**Chairman Kimball read:**

***Comments and opinions expressed by individual members do not necessarily reflect the views of all of the BOS and are the opinions and comments of only the individual member.***

**Mr. Welch**    **-Wished Mr. Chaffee a speedy recovery.**  
**-Hoped for a successful Little League and Softball parade.**

- Mr. Johnson** -Please remember to vote April 11, 2015, he appreciated the candidate's night and urged townspeople to watch.  
-Recognized field availability is creating some issues due to weather.
- Mr. Ryan** -Announced Town Hall had received a "Patriotic Award" for flying the POW flag.  
-Spoke regarding Larry Chaffee and his recovery.
- Mr. Kimball** -Reminded everyone the polls are open 8AM to 8 PM.  
-Hopes everyone had a good Easter.  
-Hopes the town can address the availability of fields in the future and hopes someday for an artificial turf field in the future.

~MOTION to adjourn by Mr. Ryan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Welch passed 4-0.

Meeting ended at 7:51p.m.

  
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 Allan R. Chiocca  
 Town Administrator

  
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 Larry J. Ryan, Vice-Chairman  
 for the Rockland Board of Selectmen

The listings of matters are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.