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***Town of Dalton***

**462 Main Street**

**Dalton, MA 01226**

**Approved by SB 5-22-17**

Select Board Regular Session

**May 8, 2017**

**Members Present:** Chairman Robert Bishop, Marc Strout, John Bartels, Jr., Mary Cherry,

**Member Absent:** Michael Szklasz, excused.

**Also Present**: Kenneth Walto, Town Manager, Cam Cachet - 38 Flansburg Ave., Dick Alsted - 32 Flansburg Ave., Andrew Crane - 100 Reservoir Road, Dan Dower - 41 Gulf Road, Gerald Cahalan - 327 North Street.

Chairman Robert Bishop convened the Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. in the Callahan Room.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Roll Call:**

**Public to Address the Board**: Dan Dower - 41 Gulf Road, Dalton, MA. asked to be recognized when agenda item # 7 is being addressed.

**Approval of Minutes:** Chairman Robert Bishop called for the approval of minutes for April 10, 2017 and April 24, 2017. Marc Strout moved to approve the minutes for April 10, 2017 and April 24, 2017 as presented. Mary Cherry second. Motion carried unanimously.

**Public to Address the Board**: Dan Downer - 41 Gulf Road asked to be recognized when Item 7 is reviewed.

**Chairman Robert Bishop Declared the Session Open as The Licensing Board at 7:03 p.m.:**

Andrew Crane advised the Select Board that Shire Brew- House, LLC is seeking to obtain an All Alcohol License. Mr. Crane reported that the Federal License to Brew Beer Has been obtained.

Marc Strout moved to approve the All Alcohol License Application with the correction on page one under description of Licensed Premises fourth word in line one should read "two". Mary Cherry second. Motion carried unanimously.

**Chairman Robert Bishop Declared the Licensing Board at 7: 12 p.m.**

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**CRA Carnival May 31, 2017 - June 4, 2017**: Dan Downer presented Alison Peter's, CRA Director request to hold the Dalton Carnival may 31, 2017 through June 4, 2017 on the grounds of the American Legion. The Program will be the same as last year.

Marc Strout moved to approve the Dalton Carnival to be held May 31, 2017 through June 4, 2017. Mary Cherry second. Motion carried unanimously.

**Old Dalton High Advisory Committee Update:** Chairman Robert Bishop reported that today's vote on the disposition of the Old Dalton High School will give direction for going forward. If approved the Advisory Committee can be abolished. No action taken at this time.

**CBRSD WHRS Building Project Update:** John Bartels reported that the Committee will meet on May 12, 2017. It is expected that sub-committees will be established.

**Approval of Agreements with Police Sergeant and Highway/Cemetery Foreman:** Chairman Robert Bishop put forward the Police Sergeant Agreement to be ratified. Marc Strout moved to approve the Police Sergeant's Agreement entered into July 1, 2016, for a three year period terminating on June 30, 2019. Mary Cherry second. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Robert Bishop put forward the Dalton Highway/Cemetery Agreement to be ratified.

Marc Strout moved to approve the Highway/Cemetery Agreement entered into July 1, 2016, for a three year period terminating June 30, 2019. Mary Cherry second. Motion carried unanimously.

**Remarks of the Select Board Members**: John Bartels expressed highest regards to Mary Cherry for her service on the Select Board. During the four years of working with Mary Cherry your integrity, honesty, work ethic, understanding of issues and how people are affected has helped the Board to address issues effectively and in a timely manner. Mary Cherry's dedication to the position of Chairwoman demonstrates leadership, understanding of other’s opinions, humor, friendship to Board Members, a caring person who will be missed, your continued service to the Town is welcomed.

Robert Bishop, Chairman praised Mary Cherry’s ability to write letters, her smile and friendship is cherished. As a thank you for your service I want to present this token of our thanks (bouquet of Flowers), for your dedication and thoughtful attention to issues we have confronted.

Marc Strout thanked Mary Cherry for her service and interest in Town Affairs.

Mary Cherry responded, indicating that when she came on board seven years ago she immediately learned to think on your feet and run with it! I learned about the Cemetery/Craneville’s need for additional land; establishment of the Sewer Stabilization Fund; and the challenge of holding our position on the issue with the proposed pipeline. Mary Cherry stated she is most proud of the Board’s action declaring Halloween Trick or Treat will be celebrated on October 31 in perpetuity. She has been honored to recognize peoples’ service , in particular Ron Marcella, Gail Pinna, John Kittredge, Troop 4 Boy Scouts, Eagle Scouts. I also want to extend the Board Members for their support during these years and I wish you success moving forward to the many challenges ahead.

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Kenneth Walto, Town Manager thanked Mary Cherry for her years of service, particularly your perspective and help with labor negotiations.

**Items for Future Agendas:**

Reconfirm meeting with representative from Spectrum. Mary Cherry would like to be notified when this is on the agenda. Clarify a Channel for Dalton (Channel 22?). Is there room for an additional member on the Advisory Committee, a resident has expressed interest.

Discuss investment options pertaining to OPED, move this meeting forward.

Review Executive session minutes to determine if they can be released. Starting July 2017 a packet of five sessions will be on the Executive Session Agenda.

**Announcements:**

**Collector’s Office:** Reminder that Real Estate, Fire District, Personal Property, and Personal Fire District Taxes are due August 1st , November 1st, February 1st, and May1st. Sewer bills are due October1st and April 1st.

**Sewer Bills** are due October 1st. and April 1st.

**Motor Vehicle** bills are issued according to the Registry of Motor Vehicles’ schedule. Several batches are billed out during the year reflecting information given at the time each vehicle is registered.

**The Traffic Commission** is looking for a new member**.** If interested please contact the Town Manager’s Office at 684-6111, Ext. 11.

Please note that **Dalton’s Official Meeting Postings, Agendas and Minutes** can be viewed at mytowngovernment.org/01226.

**The Veteran’s Agent** New office hours are on Tuesdays 10:30 to 1:00 p.m. at the Dalton Town Hall and from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Dalton Senior Center. You can reach the Veteran’s Agent at (413) 684-6111, Ext. 19.

**State Representative Paul** Mark holds office hours at the Dalton Town Hall, 462 Main Street, in the Callahan Room on Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with the exception of the third Tuesday of each month. On the third Tuesday, office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Town Hall, and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Dalton Senior Center. You can reach his office at his District number which is (413) 464-5635.

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**New Office Hours for the Building Inspector** – Mondays 10:30 – 2:30 and Thursdays 11:30 – 3:30 p.m. It is suggested that you call 684-6109, Ext.27 to schedule an appointment. The Building Official will also schedule an office appointment at a different day and time if requested.

**Executive Session**: Chairman Robert Bishop declared that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating , and litigating position of the public body.

Mark Strout moved to go into Executive Session to conduct a strategy session in preparation for negotiations with non union personnel and litigation, and not return to Open Session. Mary Cherry second. Roll call vote: Bishop – Aye, Strout – Aye, Bartels – Aye, Cherry – Aye.

**Adjournment**: Mark Strout moved to adjourn. Mary Cherry second. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

**Documents available for this session: 1. Certificate of Appreciation. 2. Alternate Tax Payment site. 3. MASS DOT Speed Limit Regulations. 4. Code Red Emergency and Informational. 5. Inter-Municipal Agreement Between Dalton and Adams. 5.Mass DOT ten Year Contract. 7. ZBA Petition # 551. 8. Appointment to Dalton Redevelopment Authority. 9. Draft ATM Warrant Motions and Explanations. 10. Future Agenda Items.**

Respectively submitted,

Sarah Frankland

Recording Secretary