

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Hopedale Town Hall-Draper Room
Regular Minutes
November 19, 2018**

Present: Selectman Louis Arcudi, Selectman Thomas Wesley, Selectman Brian Keyes, Town Administrator Steven Sette, Executive Assistant Susan Brouwer, Attorney Matthew Feher, KP Law and Videographer Jeff Ellis

- Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Arcudi
- Pledge of Allegiance

A. Hearings

1. Chair Arcudi requested a motion to open the Tax Classification Hearing at 6:30 p.m.
MSDV to open the Tax Classification Public Hearing
Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

Teri Gonsalves, Principal Assessor and Assessors Edward Holland, Jr. and Lisa Alberto were in attendance. Ms. Gonsalves provided a handout displaying different scenarios of a single vs. a split tax rate. Ms. Gonsalves explained the affect each tax rate would have on the average tax bill for residential, commercial, industrial and personal properties. As in past years, the Board of Assessors is recommending not to allow residential or small commercial exemptions. Following a brief discussion, the Board of Selectmen agreed to keep the split tax rate and not support residential or small commercial exemptions.

Chair Arcudi asked for a motion to close the public hearing
MSDV to close the public hearing
Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

MSDV to support a split tax rate with a shift of 1.5%, not to adopt residential or small commercial exemption and to allow the principal assessor submit paperwork through the Gateway system.
Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

2. 7:00 p.m. Hearing with Board of Directors and Manager of the Hopedale Country Club on Liquor License Violation. (vote may be taken)

Present for the public hearing HCC Attorney Joseph Antonellis, HCC Board of Director President Donald Stewardson, Board of Director members Steven Haynes, Francis Coffey and Ken Mooradian

Chair Arcudi asked for a motion to open the public hearing at 7:00 p.m., recognizing the HCC attorney and members of the Board.
MSDV to open the public hearing
Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

Chair Arcudi read the letter issued to the HCC aloud. Attorney Joseph Antonellis spoke on behalf of the country club stating the club is in the process of securing a new manager. Attorney Antonellis will be filing Board of Directors and Manager change applications next week. The new Board of Directors was recently filed with the Secretary of State. In addition, the HCC will also be submitting an alteration of premise with the Town to include alcohol service on the golf course. Mr. Antonellis said the incident that occurred was due to an overflow of a party that was to be held on the outside deck. Beer was sold on the course and members were drinking as the patio was full. Attorney Antonellis stated the Board of Directors understands the seriousness of this violation advising there was no intent on the club's part to violate their liquor license.

Selectman Wesley asked when the liquor license manager left? Attorney Antonellis replied "the end of July, beginning of August". Attorney Antonellis also confirmed receipt of the new liquor policy that was recently voted by the Board of Selectmen stating the Board of Director's has reviewed the policy and will ensure this will not happen again. Attorney Antonellis continued the club has very strict policy in controlling alcohol on the course, noting the scorecards are clearly marked "that alcohol is prohibited on the course including outside alcohol". Attorney Antonellis again stated this was an isolated incident that occurred at a fundraiser held when there was an overflow of guests that flowed onto the golf course. Attorney Antonellis reassures that this will not happen again.

Selectmen Keyes, Arcudi, Wesley agreed this being the first violation that the HCC should receive a stern verbal warning

MSDV to close the public hearing

Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

MSDV to issue the HCC a stern verbal warning for allowing alcohol service outside of the license premises. The HCC will take measures to ensure this does not happen again. The HCC will apply for a change of Board of Director's and Liquor Manager next week. The HCC will also submit a change of premise in the near future.

Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

A. Consent Items

1. Vote to approve the of November 5, 2018 Regular Minutes

MSDV to approve regular minutes of November 5, 2018

Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

2. Vote to approve warrant 19-18 as approved by Selectmen Wesley and Keyes

MSDV warrants 19-18 as approved by Selectmen Wesley and Keyes

Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

B. Appointments and Resignations

1. Vote to accept the resignation of Police Officer recruit Kyle Trowbridge as a full-time from the Hopedale Police

MSDV to accept the resignation of Police Officer recruit Kyle Trowbridge

Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

2. Vote to accept the resignation of Call Lieutenant Paul Moffi, Jr. from the Hopedale Fire Department

3. MSDV to accept the resignation of Call Lieutenant Paul Moffi, Jr. from the Hopedale Fire Department with regret and congratulating Mr. Moffi on his new opportunity with the Milford Fire Department
Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

C. New Business

1. Approval of a Special License for the period January 24 – 28, 2019. Alcohol sales will occur on January 25th between the hours of 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. and on January 26th between the hours of 12 Noon and 2:30 p.m., and 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.. The Entertainment License is for the period of January 25 and 26, 2019. Both licenses will be issued to Carol Devendorf – Milford Performing Arts Center. The event is the Boar's Head Festival at the Unitarian Parish on January 25 – 26, 2019. Vote may be taken

MSDV to approve a Special License for the period January 24 – 28, 2019 allowing alcohol sales on January 25th between the hours of 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. and on January 26th between the hours of 12 Noon and 2:30 p.m., and 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.. In addition, the Board to approve an Entertainment License for the period of January 25 and 26, 2019. Both licenses are to be issued to Carol Devendorf – Milford Performing Arts Center.

Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye

D. Old Business

None

E. Public and Board Member Comments

F. Correspondence and Selectmen Informational Items

1. Warrants 19-19 and 19-19P

The Board had no comments on the above listed correspondence

G. Requests for Future Agenda Items

1. Water/Sewer Commissioners scheduled for December 3, 2018 meeting
2. Conservation Commission Chair scheduled for December 3, 2018 meeting
3. Recreational Field Ad Hoc Committee scheduled for January 2019

H. Administrator News

Administrator Sette reminded residents of the Wobble/Gobble to be held on Thanksgiving morning.

Town Hall is closed the Friday after Thanksgiving, notices will be posted for the public.

J. Adjournment

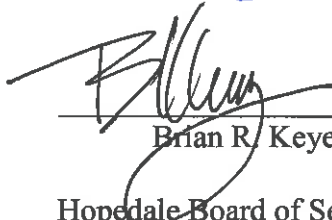
With no further regular business before them, the Board of Selectmen adjourned their regular meeting at 7:22 p.m. entering into executive session and not returning to open session.

MSDV- Selectman Arcudi-Aye; Selectman Keyes-Aye; Selectman Wesley-Aye



Thomas A. Wesley

Louis J. Arcudi, III



Brian R. Keyes

Hopedale Board of Selectmen

*MSDV – Moved, Seconded, Discussed and Voted

**RCV- Roll Call Vote