

**AGENDA  
WILLIAMSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN

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**MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2015  
7:00 P.M.**

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- 1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING STATEMENT**
- 2. SELECTMEN'S MINUTES:** December 8, December 12, December 23, 2014
- 3. PUBLIC HEARING** Set a public hearing date for a change of manager, BillTown d/b/a Williams Inn, 1060 Main Street, Greta Kipp, Manager
- 4. LICENSES AND PERMITS**
  - Approve Red Carpet Night One Day All Alcohol Liquor License, Images Cinema, February 22, 2015, 7:30-11:30 pm
  - Change date for One Day All Alcohol License for the Clark Art from February 27, 2015 to March 7, 2015
  - Approve New Directors, Wild Oats Cooperative, Inc., 320 Main Street
  - Approve Renewal of Common Victualer License for Dunkin Donuts, 361 Main Street
  - Approve Common Victualer and Live Music Licenses for Berkshire Five Corners, Inc. 6 New Ashford Road, Nadia Dole General Manager
- 5. ITEMS FOR SELECTMEN'S CONSIDERATION:**
  - A. K-12 School Regionalization (MGRSD School Committee)
  - B. Resolution Opposing Northeast Energy Direct Project of Tennessee Gas Pipeline in Massachusetts and Championing Sustainable Energy (O'Connor and Wohlberg)
  - C. Economic Development
  - D. Appoint Nicholas Wright and Andy Hogeland to the Spruces Land Use Committee
  - E. Appoint Tracy Baker to the Economic Development Committee. Term ending June 30, 2015.
  - F. Approve Multiple Sclerosis Bike Route through Williamstown at 5 Corners and Green River Road, June 5, 2015
  - G. Water/Sewer Warrant \$281,742.85
- 6. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**
- 7. PETITIONER REQUESTS**
- 8. VOTE TO ADJOURN**

**Next Selectmen's meeting is Monday, January 26, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**  
**WILLIAMSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**January 12, 2015**  
**7:00 PM**

**Present:** Ron Turbin, Chairman, Tom Sheldon, Andrew Hogeland, Hugh Daley, Jane Patton,

**Absent:**

**Others Present:** Peter Fohlin, Debra Turnbull, Carrie Greene, Gordon Noseworthy, Shira Wolhburg, Anne O'Connor, Richard Ford, Wendy Penner, Paula Consolini

1. **CHAIRMAN'S OPENING STATEMENT-** Chairman Turbin announced the retirement of Town Manager, Peter Fohlin effective April 26, 2015. The board members acknowledged Mr. Fohlin's dedication and focus to the town of Williamstown. They also acknowledged his hard work on behalf of the Spruces residents. The board wishes Mr. Fohlin all the best for his future.
2. **SELECTMEN'S MINUTES-** Mr. Hogeland made a motion to accept the December 8, 2014 minutes. Ms. Patton seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0. Mr. Hogeland made a motion to accept the December 12, 2014 minutes. Ms. Patton seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0. Mr. Hogeland made a motion to approve the December 23, 2014 minutes. Ms. Patton seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.
3. **PUBLIC HEARING:** Set public hearing date for the change of manager for Williams Inn from David Faulkner to Greta Kipp. Mr. Hogeland made a motion to set the public hearing for January 26, 2015 at 7:05 pm. Mr. Sheldon seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.
4. **LICENSES AND PERMITS-**
  - A. Approve Red Carpet Night One Day All Alcohol Liquor License, Images Cinema, February 22, 2015, 7:30-11:30 pm. Mr. Sheldon made a motion to approve the one day license for Images Cinema. Mr. Hogeland seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.
  - B. Change date for One Day All Alcohol License for the Clark Art from February 27, 2015 to March 7, 2015. Mr. Hogeland made a motion to approve the change of date for the Clark Art Institute. Ms. Patton seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.
  - C. Approve New Directors, Wild Oats Cooperative, Inc., 320 Main Street. Mr. Hogeland made a motion to approve the new directors at the Wild Oats Market. Mr. Sheldon seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.

- D. Approve Renewal of Common Victualer License for Dunkin Donuts, 361 Main Street. Mr. Daley made a motion to renew the Dunkin Donuts common victualer's license. Mr. Sheldon seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.
- E. Approve Common Victualer and Live Music Licenses for Berkshire Five Corners, Inc., 6 New Ashford Road, Nadia Dole, General Manager. Michael Lewis presented the license requests for reopening Berkshire Five Corners for live music and food preparation. They hope to reopen in four to six weeks with six employees. Mr. Hogeland made a motion to approve the licenses. Ms. Patton seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.

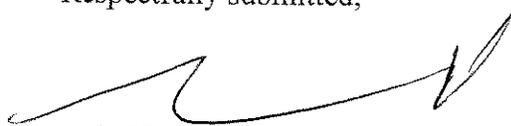
#### **5. ITEMS FOR SELECTMEN'S CONSIDERATION:**

- a. Appoint Nicholas Wright and Andy Hogeland to the Spruces Land Use Committee. Mr. Daley made a motion to appoint Nicholas Wright to the Spruces Land Use Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sheldon. The motion passed 5-0-0. Mr. Sheldon made a motion to appoint Mr. Hogeland to the Spruces Land Use Committee. Mr. Daley seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.
- b. Appoint Tracy Baker to the Economic Development Committee, term ending June 30, 2015. Mr. Daley made a motion to appoint Tracy Baker to the Economic Development Committee. Mr. Hogeland seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.
- c. K-12 School Regionalization (MGRSD School Committee). Carrie Greene, MGRSD School Committee member; Interim Superintendent, Gordon Noseworthy; School Committee Members, Wendy Penner and Paula Consolini presented the concept of a K-12 regional school district. Various concerns were raised around financial impacts, loss of local control, teachers' job security, school closings and cultural differences. The board members were encouraged to review the draft agreement for regionalization posted on the [Regionalization site](#). The school committee members agreed to assemble a matrix presenting various options and the consequences of each.
- d. Resolution Opposing Northeast Energy Direct Project of Tennessee Gas Pipeline in Massachusetts and Championing Sustainable Energy (O'Connor and Wohlberg). The resolution was presented to the board by Shira Wohlberg and Anne O'Connor. Wendy Penner of the COOL committee stated that the COOL committee was currently evaluating their support for the resolution. Mr. Sheldon felt it was appropriate to delay endorsing the resolution until the COOL committee makes its recommendation. The board will reconsider this issue at a subsequent meeting.

- e. Economic Development- The committee has identified its members and has reached out to various town boards to create dialogue around the future of economic development in Williamstown. The next meeting is scheduled for January 27, 2015.
- f. Approve Multiple Sclerosis Bike Route through Williamstown at 5 Corners and Green River Road, June 5, 2015. The police department has agreed to provide safety oversight for the race. Mr. Sheldon made a motion to approve the Multiple Sclerosis Race through Williamstown. Ms. Patton seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.
- g. Water/Sewer Warrant \$281,742.85 Mr. Daley made a motion to approve the warrant. Mr. Sheldon seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.

- 6. **TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT-** See attached and at [www.williamstown.net](http://www.williamstown.net).
- 7. **PETITIONER'S REQUEST-** None
- 8. **OTHER** – The board of selectmen agreed to schedule a retreat to discuss strategy for hiring a new town manager.
- 9. **ADJOURN.** Mr. Hogeland moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 pm. The motion was seconded by Mr. Sheldon. The motion passed 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Andy Hogeland  
Secretary