

## Town Clerk Notes

**Town Discussion on April 12, 7PM at the Town Hall:** Important decisions regarding broadband need to be made by our community. These decisions will affect cost, logistics, and timing of the project. Please attend if possible.

Following the broadband discussion, there will be a discussion regarding a resolution on nuclear proliferation, to be voted on at our Annual Town Meeting. Steve Philbrick will be leading this discussion (see article at right).

Census forms (35 have not been returned) are due now.

Dog Licenses are due by May 1.

### **Important Dates in May**

**Annual Town Meeting May 7 7PM.** The warrant will be posted at all our public places, and on the website, 2 weeks before the meeting. It is a good idea to read the warrant before the meeting. Feel free to ask the select board, or finance comm, for clarification on any article or budget item.

**Annual Town Election May 14 12-8PM**

The Following candidates will be on the ballot:

Select Board (3 year): Marcel Mazeau; Janet Sadlo

Cemetery Board: Janet Boody

Cemetery Board: vacant

Constable: David Shane Hill

Finance Comm (3 year): W. Scott Rogers

Finance Comm (3 year): Michael MacDonald

Finance Comm (3 year): Tim Crane

Finance Comm (2 year): vacant

Library Trustee: Holly Higinbotham

Moderator: Mark Efinger

Planning Board (5 year): David Zink

Town Clerk: Madeline W. Scully

Tree Warden: Mark Hauge

A Special Town Meeting was held March 28 to consider 2 new bylaws, one to regulate local marijuana industry and the 2<sup>nd</sup> to allow the town to charge a 3% excise tax on the sale.

28 of the Town's 664 voters took 12 minutes to pass both bylaws unanimously. The bylaws have been submitted to our Attorney General for review. They can be found on our website under municipal resources/proposed bylaws.

**Dave Laviolette is leaving the position of Windsor Highway Superintendent** in July. The job is posted on local and national sites, as well as, on our website (under More/Employment). Application deadline: April 9, 2018.

Berkshire Eagle reporter Larry Parnass reports on hilltown news, including Windsor items.

. -Madeline Scully, Town Clerk

### **Proposed Resolution on Nuclear War to Be Presented**

At the town hall informational meeting on April 12, the following proposed town resolution will be introduced and open for discussion.

**This resolution calls upon our federal leaders and our nation to spearhead a global effort to prevent nuclear war and to embrace the *Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons*.**

If passed, this town resolution would join similar efforts from other communities and be sent to two Massachusetts U.S. Senators and to the U.S. Representative for this district, and to the President and Secretary of State of the United States. -Stephen Philbrick

### **The Select Board Corner**

If you hold a party and nobody shows, the cause and effect are probably not too complicated to figure out. Maybe those written invitations should have been by email, or by phone or text, Facebook, Instagram, carrier pigeon?

When you are a municipal official and your constituents forgo opportunities to learn about, and vote on, new zoning (Marijuana, Solar, Accessory Dwellings), expensive infrastructure (broadband, new high school), or general matters related to town governance (like the budget), what does that tell you? The answer involves a reminder about small town government.

Under our "Town Meeting" style of government, the voters in Windsor are the legislative body. Select Boards can't do much, or spend anything, without legislative approval. If the voters are not engaged, neither are the legislators and every no-show concentrates legislative authority on the few that do.

In small towns like Windsor such a concentration of influence can create an echo chamber of reinforcing beliefs. It would be nice to hear from people that give voice to the breadth of community perspectives. I wish there was a short cut, but as Woody Allen said: "80% of success is showing up." -- Tim Crane, Select Board Chairman

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*Select Board  
Candidate  
Statements*

**Janet Sadlo**

I am requesting that you consider me as a candidate to serve on the Windsor Select Board at the May 14<sup>th</sup> election. After service for the past 2 ½ years as the Select Board's Assistant, taking notes at every meeting for posting on windsormass.com, coordinating and filing of town documents, researching maps and lots with the help of the Assessor's department, best practicing with adjoining towns to create the first Windsor Employee Handbook, and generally learning the dynamics of town and state governments, I would appreciate your confidence in selecting me to continue expanding my knowledge in another capacity.

As a Human Resource professional at both General Electric – Plastics, Emery Worldwide Airlines, and Dow Jones & Company for 25 years, in addition to my MBA from UMASS, I would like to expand on my continual learning in offering my skills to the town to maintain the momentum and successes of the current Select Board. I have been a resident in Windsor for 33 years, although not active in the town in the past due to work and family balances.

Also among my retirement hobbies are gardening, caring for my animals, and canning fruits and vegetables. Many of you may know me from the Windsor Farmer's Market at the jam, relish and pickle table. Thank you for considering me for this important position and your vote.

**Marcel Mazeau**

I moved to Windsor in 2006 to work at General Dynamics. I currently work for New England Security Center and have already visited with many of in your homes while providing alarm service. My wife, Elizabeth, retired from GD. I have one son, Chris, who attended Nessacus Middle School and graduated from Wahconah High School. Chris was the second Eagle Scout produced by the Windsor troop 93. Chris is a graduate of Norwich University with a bachelor's Degree in Biochemistry. Currently he is a Lieutenant in the US Army.

I have an Associate's Degree in digital electronics from Florida Junior College and a Bachelor's Degree of Science in Computer Information Systems from The College of St. Elizabeth in Morristown NJ.

I have worked with Stu Besnoff for the past twelve years as a scout leader for Windsor Troop 93. I am currently serving a second term on our Zoning Board and previously served three terms on the Zoning Board in Andover, NJ.

At my age, being a patriot, means being a good citizen, and being a good citizen means exercising my right to vote and getting involved the community. As an empty nester, I have a little more time on my hands and thus would like to spend some of it on our town, hopefully to its benefit.

Thank you.