

**TOWN OF CHELMSFORD
PLANNING BOARD
JOINT WITH BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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**MEETING MINUTES
January 7, 2019**

Members Present: Michael Raisbeck, Henry Parlee, Donald Van Dyne, Henry Houle, Tim Shanahan, Glenn Kohl

Members Absent: Nancy Araway

The Chair opened the meeting and stated that the meeting is being videotaped, recorded and broadcast by Chelmsford Telemedia, and stated that this joint meeting was for the purpose of appointing an associate member to fill the vacancy created by Ed Roux's resignation.

The Planning Board and Board of Selectmen had one application to consider. Mike Walsh, 7 Burton Lane, came to the podium and introduced himself. Pat Wojtas wanted to know if he was interested in running for the seat in the next election and Mike stated that he did intend to pull papers for the seat in the morning. Glenn Diggs wanted to know if he had been attending the PB meetings and Mike stated that he had attended a few but his main focus was on the Route 40 study committee which was formed by the PB to look into a possible re-zone for the area.

Glenn Kohl made a motion to nominate Mike Walsh to a full seat on the PB until the next annual Town Election, seconded by Tim Shanahan. A roll call vote by both Boards is required.

Mike Raisbeck	yea	Glenn Kohl	yea
Henry Parlee	yea	Hank Houle	yea
Tim Shanahan	yea	Donald Van Dyne	yea
Pat Wojtas	yea	Ken LeFebvre	yea
Glenn Diggs	yea	Emily Antul	yea
George Dixon	yea		

The Motion passes 11-0, unanimous.

Special Town Meeting, February 4, 2019 – Discussion and Public Hearing scheduling

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Code, Chapter 195, “Zoning Bylaw” Article III: Use Regulations, Section 195-6 Accessory Uses Paragraph E, Animals Accessory to Dwellings, by deleting the language shown in strikethrough, with the text not being changed shown in regular type for informational purposes only, as follows:
Animals accessory to dwellings.

Up to two ~~in excess of~~ cattle, horses, sheep, hogs, goats, ~~game birds~~ or similar livestock ~~shall~~ may be maintained accessory to a dwelling only on a lot having an area of not less than 40,000 square feet. ~~plus~~ An additional 15,000 square feet is required per large farm animal in excess of the first two. ~~(25 pounds or heavier at maturity) in excess of one or per 10 smaller animals in excess of the first 10~~. Such animals and their wastes shall be contained at least 50 feet from any abutting lot line or a residentially used lot and at least 50 feet from any year-round surface water body.

The Boards discussed the Warrant Article and agreed that there would be time to fine tune this language during the public hearing scheduled for January 23, 2019. There was no further discussion on the matter.

Glenn Kohl made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Tim Shanahan, unanimous. 6-0