



TOWN OF KINGSTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
OPEN SESSION MINUTES
TOWN HOUSE-26 EVERGREEN ST.
ROOM 200 & VIA ZOOM
December 2, 2025

6:00 p.m. – CALL TO ORDER – ROOM 200

Chairman Eric Crone called to order the meeting with a roll call vote of the Board of Selectmen at 6:09 p.m.—selectmen in attendance: Kimberley Emberg, Melissa Bateman, Donald Alcombright and Carl Pike

Staff Present: George Samia, Acting Town Administrator and Patricia Tucker, Assistant to Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. This meeting is being recorded by the Local Seen. Anyone who intends to make an audio or video recording of this meeting should notify us at this time.
2. Financial Assistance Applications are available on the town's website or by calling the Selectmen's Office.
3. There are several Boards and Commissions with vacancies. To see a complete list of the openings, please visit our website at kingstonma.gov. If you are interested in serving, please contact the Selectmen's Office at 781 585-0501.
4. Please check our website for any additional events or notices www.kingstonma.gov
5. Kingston's 300th Anniversary Celebration is coming up in 2026! In the Board materials is a list and dates of all the upcoming events being held throughout 2026.
6. Long-time resident, farmer and Agricultural Commissioner, Barry Mathias passed away last past week. Mr. Mathias served on:
Agricultural Commission 6/27/2006 until 2/27/2025
Conservation Land Review Committee 2006-2007
Earth Removal; Bylaw Advisory Committee 6/19/1991
7. Ms. Emberg had two inquiries regarding Finance Committee. Mr. Crone added that you don't need to be an expert, just willing to participate.

OPEN FORUM:

There was no one in attendance for open forum.

APPOINTMENTS:

Approval of Promotion of Police Sergeant - Michael R. Gallo

Mr. Crone handed the meeting to Lt. Bateman who introduced Mike Gallo and spoke a few words of Officer Gallo's history with the department which he joined in 2015. Officer Gallo is a firearm, taser and RAD instructor, as well as at the MPTC Academy, and he was recognized for his professionalism and commitment to service.

The Police Department is requesting the Board of Selectmen approve the promotion of Micheal Gallo.

Motion by Ms. Bateman, seconded by Mr. Alcombright and a 5-0-0 vote,

VOTE: I move that the Board of Selectmen appoint Michael R. Gallo as a Full-Time Sergeant for the Town of Kingston.
The effective date of the promotion to be Sunday, December 28, 2025.

Presentation of Kingston's 300th Anniversary Commemorative Book by Ken Brack

Ken Brack, proud member of the Kingston 300th Book Committee, joined by Jan Guidaboni, and Jim Ferrell, (Tom Vendetti was unable to attend in person) presented the Board with the 300th Anniversary Commemorative Book.

Mr. Brack started by stating that this was labor love and highlighted some of the book to the Board.

- 11 chapters covering 300 years of history
- Over 150 resident contributors
- More than 700 photographs
- Focus on community life, local families, and newly uncovered historical material

Books recently arrived and are now for sale for \$35, with upcoming sales events at the Beal House, Senior Center, Silver Bells Fair, etc., online ordering and shipping available

Mr. Crone made comment that it is stunning with all the colors and the way it is laid out is amazing. The Board thanked the committee for all their work on the project.

6:15PM Public Hearing for Discussion of Street Acceptance – Nobadeer Circle:

Residents from Nobadeer Villages have brought forth their request for the Town to accept Nobadeer Circle as a town road. Ms. Massard, Town Planner, was in attendance, Mr. Turner and herself do not see any foreseeable issues. The road was evaluated; no immediate concerns were identified.

Process requires several steps, including engineering review, discussion of existing speed bumps, and coordination with Public Safety and Highway.

Public Hearing Notice

The Kingston Board of Selectmen will hold a public hearing at the Kingston Town House, 26 Evergreen Street, Kingston, MA, on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, at 6:15 p.m. to discuss acceptance of Nobadeer Circle as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Nobadeer Village Prepared by Flaherty & Stefani, Inc, dated September 4, 2007. The plan may be viewed prior to the meeting at the Board of Selectmen office during regular business hours.

Motion by Ms. Emberg, seconded by Mr. Alcombright and a 5-0-0 vote,
VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen open the public hearing.

Mr. Crone asked if there are speed bumps, it was answered by a resident that they are removable.

Motion by Mr. Alcombright, seconded by Ms. Bateman and a 5-0-0 vote,
VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen close the public hearing.

Motion by Mr. Alcombright, seconded by Ms. Bateman and a 5-0-0 vote,
VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen approve the request from Nobadeer Villages to move to the next step within the Road Acceptance Policy.

Request from Resident to Place Stop Signs at Old Mill Road, Longwood Circle and Stonebridge Lane

Mr. Crone stated that resident Megan MacCurtain called the office requesting the installation of two stop signs at the intersections where Stonebridge Lane meets Old Mill Road and Where Longwood Circle meets Old Mill Road. The price for the sign and post is \$175 each.

Megan MacCurtain 65 Old Mill Road, brought her concerns which are:

- Multiple instances of vehicles not stopping at the intersections
- Several near-miss accidents in the past year
- Increased speeding throughout the neighborhood

Mr. Crone wanted to see if there should be a different approach, as if this happens more neighborhoods will begin requesting. Lt Bateman, spoke that he would be willing to work with neighbors on more of a presence in the neighborhood as well as using a JAMAR unit specific control device. It was noted that the speed limit is 25 miles an hour.

There was no vote.

LT Bateman will coordinate increased enforcement, and residents are encouraged to follow up with the Town to explore non-infrastructure options.

Approval of One Day Liquor License for 42nd Brew Co

Mr. Crone discussed that 42nd Brew Co is requesting a one-day license for the Winter Market being held at Jones River Self Storage

Motion by Mr. Alcombright, seconded by Ms. Bateman and a 5-0-0 vote,

VOTE: I move to approve the request from 42nd Brew Co for the Winter Market on December 20, 2025, from 12pm-5pm at 26 Wapping Road.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS:

Possible Reconsideration of the Upgrade to the EV Charging Stations

Mr. Crone discussed that after further discussions with the vendor who provided the proposal as well as our Facilities Manager and Facilities Assistant, they are working together to find the best fit for our community.

Ultimately, given this new information, Ms. Emberg would like the board to reconsider this vote and instead, vote not to move forward with the contract that we voted affirmatively on, in the September 9, 2025, meeting.

Ms. Emberg feels that after these discussions the Town determined the proposed solution is not in the Town's best interest.

Motion by Ms. Emberg, seconded by Ms. Bateman and a 5-0-0 vote,

VOTE: I move the Board of Selectmen not approve entering into a contract with EVSE Solutions to replace the existing charging stations at the Town House and Kingston Library.

Execute Contract for Town Administrator – Scott Lambiase – This item will not be discussed tonight as the contract is still in negotiations.

Update on Department of Public Works/MOU

There is nothing new with more conversations happening. Ms. Emberg and Ms. Bateman suggest inviting the Sewer and Water Commissions to the next meeting to complete the MOU

Approval of Open Session Meeting Minutes

There were no minutes for approval.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Mr. Samia stated he is in talks with Dept. Heads regarding the budget.

SELECTMEN COMMENTS:

There were no comments.

Motion by Ms. Emberg, seconded by Ms. Bateman and a 5-0-0 vote,
VOTE: I move to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57pm
Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Tucker
Assistant to the Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen

Documents used at the meeting:

Agenda
Agenda Addendum
Promotion Information
Public Hearing Nobadeer
Resident backup for Stop Signs
One Day Liquor