

Meeting of the Board of Selectmen held on October 11, 2022, beginning at 5:30 pm in the Selectmen's Conference Room, Town Hall.

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Members present: Antonio Goncalves, Chairman, James Gennette, Manuel Silva, Derek DeBarge, William Rosenblum

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First order of business: Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitations

5:35 pm – Dangerous Dog Hearing

Moved by Mr. Rosenblum to open Dangerous Dog Hearing at 5:35 pm, seconded by Mr. Gennette. Vote 5-0

Mr. Goncalves: Ms. Anderson Animal Control Officer, you've requested a Dangerous Dog Hearing on behalf of the Ludlow Police Department. Before anyone testifies, please raise your right hand, do you solemnly swear that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth.

All: I do.

Ms. Anderson: Thank you all for coming in on a day that you don't normally schedule things. When the dog in question attacked last Sunday, he proceeded to follow what I think was his owner who was having some sort of episode. Whether it was a mental breakdown or whether it was drug related I don't know. But according to the dog owner's mom, her son had been agitated all day long. With a dog such as this Labrador all that energy and all that activity; dogs feed off of that. When the officers finally arrived at the house, I personally believe that the dog just came out and charged and bit because he had been in a heightened state of arousal all day long with his owner having problems. I've had the dog since the following day, and I have not seen any type of aggression at all with the dog. We played fetch; he sits, puts his paw up. I have talked at length with the mom about his behavior and talked to the neighbors and nobody has seen any type of aggression with this dog. I personally feel that if the son is not in the house the dog should be fine. It's a two-person house. I think if the son does live in the house the dog could be a problem, but if the dog was running loose on the street, he's not going to randomly attack someone. He's a neutered Lab, five years old, has all of his shots. He's been loved since he was a puppy. There's no history of the dog having problems whatsoever. I just feel that the way the whole day played out this dog was just a nervous wreck. I don't think the dog is attacked trained from everything I've seen. He has five or six commands which are just sit, give paw, want a cookie. I've tried to actually provoke him to bark at something and it just isn't there. So, I feel fairly comfortable with the dog going back home, as long as her son is no longer in residence, and that's obviously something her and her family will need to work with. I believe he's still under arrest.

Chief Valadas: There's a dangerousness hearing scheduled tomorrow.

Ms. Anderson: That's probably all I have. I don't believe that the dog should be put to sleep. If the son was to live back at the house, I would want the dog deemed a dangerous dog and the recommendations that we would normally use would be an enclosed kennel and muzzle I don't think he needs that at all.

Mr. Goncalves: Chief do you want to add anything?

Chief Valadas: I'll just add some specifics to the actual event. I want to clarify that as far as the use of force the officers were incredibly restrained. Not only do you have an active assault, but you have an assault of being perpetrated. In Massachusetts, dogs are deemed dangerous weapons, especially with smaller persons and with even adults in general. The officers would have been well justified to just shoot the animal. If you look at the situation with what they are dealing with a manic adult male and a very aggressive manic adult male and the dog. These officers couldn't possibly deal with both at the same time. So, it would have been fully justified to shoot the animal and then proceed directly to the immediate threat which was the subject of a manic running back and forth who could have easily deployed a weapon or try to disarm him. With that being said, it worked out in the situation. The officers reacted quickly and thankfully there was adequate back up when the officers arrived. The second officer, in a lot of ways, acted almost as a diversion for

the animal to focus attention on the larger officer and the other officer was able to recover, get back on his feet and do what he had to do. They took definitely a lot more of a security type of approach of back up to see what they were dealing with which is probably like an excited delirium type situation with this adult male. Going along with Ms. Anderson, she showed me tapes of the dog and I trust her expertise. I've owned dogs, but I don't have her expertise. I certainly trust her opinion as very probative and very relevant. I can't comment on the behavior or the animal only because of what I read, just a tape that she showed me, the video, I just caution the Board with the few things that I brought up to Mr. Strange with liability. I don't know what the liability the town has as far as any type of being open or subject to liability based upon the animal doing something again: either not only doing something to a public server or a public employee, but to a public person. The other thing I would caution in my experience this individual, this young man, is not going to be incarcerated for a long period of time. They tend to go back to their family. It's difficult even in housing courts for judges to throw people out of homes, to evict people. I tend to find they usually lean on their family a little bit, especially if you have substance abuse. So, I think it's important that the animal will have some kind of contact.

Mr. Goncalves: Can you please identify yourselves, name and address please.

Ms. Caverly: Juliann Caverly, 178 Miller Street, Ludlow.

Ms. Firabono: Teresa Firabono. I work for Springfield Public Counsel Services. I represent Bradley Caverly. Do you want my home address or my office address?

Mr. Goncalves: Your office address.

Mr. Firabono: 100 Front Street, Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Mr. Goncalves: Ok, what would you like to add.

Ms. Caverly: It was a very stressful day, the entire day. I was even watching Bear outside and his ears were back when he was sitting outside with Bradley. Bradley is a drug addict and has had issues with drugs for twelve years. He's only 25. He's had a very long hard road; he has been to rehab three times. He's overdosed. It's not a fun situation for anybody to have to go through, but we are at the point where my husband and I have made the decision that he's not going to be coming back to the house. It's not a good environment. He's not doing what he should be doing to get well and to make a life for himself. We are doing our best to get him help, substance abuse help, mental health, whatever he needs but we are going to be doing it from a distance because that's where we are at with the whole situation. It's a lot of stress. Bear is a very loving dog. We've had him since he was a pup. His commands are sit, give paw, give other paw, have a cookie. You know you want to get him in the house, time to go in the house you just have to say house and he goes in the house. He loves his couch. He loves to play ball in the house. He doesn't even like to play ball outside. He's a house dog. He's a big dog, but he's a house dog. It's an unfortunate situation that happened. It kills me inside that people and animals that I love went through this. I've already contacted a pet behaviorist. I think that's what they call them. She's dealt with dogs in this situation and she's willing to take me on if I take him home.

Ms. Anderson: I would also like to interject. That I actually did not suggest that at all. When I met with her yesterday, she was the first one to bring that up. My suggestion here is that when the dog does go home, besides the electric fence, to make sure that the dog doesn't bolt. He's not a threat to the general public. If somebody comes knocking, and the situation was the same yes, I think the dog would bite again. We are trying everything we can to avoid that situation.

Mr. Goncalves: What part would be the same?

Ms. Anderson: If Bradley moves back into the house and has another breakdown, the dog definitely picks up on that. Some dogs are more sensitive than others. He's the only dog which means he's really attached to his pack, which is Bradley and his mom and dad. It's a natural tendency to want to protect. People knocking on the door; from the dogs' point of view, he doesn't understand that they don't have lateral thinking; they can't go he's having a bad day so I'm having a bad day. He just picks up on all that chaotic crazy energy. The chances of that happening again I don't know. I'm not a mental health worker at all so I don't know. I feel that if Bradley stays out of the house, obviously he's going to have some contact with his dog at one point or another, but I think as long

as they are not living in the same house, he's not going to turn around and attack people. I just don't feel that's there.

Ms. Firabono: I think it's important to note, it's in the petition filed by the animal control officer, that the police were responding to a mental health call on that day. I think the call in question was the police response to a mental health call. I'm not sure if the police were aware that there was a dog at the house on that day, but as Mrs. Caverly has stated the dog was likely on alert. I had a chance to speak with Jeremy Cohen, he's an attorney out of Boston. He specializes in these types of things, and he's said that he's talked to many experts about dog behavior. This reaction the dog had was not grossly disproportionate to the setting that the dog was in. The dog didn't know that the people knocking on his door were police officers and if you look at the police reports that were put in front of you, the statement that the chief made to local news source, they say the dog barked, the dog lunged and then the dog bit. That's the behavior of a good dog. That's a well-trained dog. The dog barked. He gave warning. There was somebody on his property again he didn't know these people were police officers. He was protecting his home. This reaction that the dog had was very proportionate to the scenario that he was in.

Mr. Goncalves: My problem is that nobody tried to stop the dog. My dog will also bark but if I tell him sit down, be quiet or good boy that all goes away the barking.

Ms. Firabono: Sure, but perhaps if you are having some sort of mental health breakdown? Your dog was already on alert and then there are people knocking on your door. These people came to your home and your dog didn't know who these people were, and you were going through something. I myself have dogs and I can only imagine how my dogs would act if I was going through something like this. I think the reaction was proportionate to the scenario that the dog was put in. Ultimately, we're not here for Bradley's criminal case, we'll deal with that elsewhere. We're here to determine whether or not this is a dangerous dog, and I don't think that he is.

Mr. Goncalves: Me, personally and I can't speak for the Board if it wasn't for the situation with Bradley, I would've had the answer for the dog in the first five minutes. It's only out of Bradley, I think from my standpoint we've made it this far. When did you write this letter?

Ms. Anderson: I wrote this letter that Monday.

Mr. Goncalves: At that point you said that the dog was dangerous and should be euthanized.

Ms. Anderson: That was before I had the dog in custody.

Mr. Goncalves: The dog had a history.

Ms. Anderson: The dog has had a history of running loose once.

Mr. Goncalves: And being aggressive it says.

Ms. Anderson: The police officers that have gone to the address previously for Bradley, said verbally to me that the dog is incredibly loud barking at the windows.

Ms. Firabono: If I may interject about one incident when the police were called. Bradley called the police because the dog I believe was loose.

Ms. Caverly: It was early in the morning.

Ms. Firabono: It wasn't because the dog was aggressive, wasn't because the dog was barking at people.

Mr. Goncalves: It just says that the dog has a history of running loose and has appeared very aggressive when officers have been at the address in the past.

Ms. Anderson: Yes, which is what the officer told me in the hallway actually, that was before I went to go pick up the dog. I had two officers with me because the only report that I have was that a dog attacked four officers and was tasered four times. I'm not going to walk into that with just a bite stick and go hey come with me. So, I had the backup of officers with me when we went

there. I think at the time everybody's emotions were really high, on the officer's part also. I know how sometimes time is of an essence as far as our hearings go. I have had the dog for ten days. I did not want to take the chance if the dog is truly aggressive to wait until the dog is returned home for a hearing to happen. You know dogs disappear all the time when it comes to things like this which is why we needed to assess this at the time. According to the reports that I read and the officers that I spoke to, the dog was absolutely being aggressive. He bit someone. You call that normal trained behavior, but it really wasn't.

Ms. Firabano: Not trained behavior necessarily, but the dog did not know that the person was a police officer. The only time that nothing happened to the dog was when the first police officer arrived. The dog barked, the dog lunged, the dog bit. At that point, the dog was kicked in the snout, so now the dog's been provoked. So now that every other officer has arrived at the scene aside from the first police officer who was there, the dog had been provoked; so how do you think the dog reacted?

Mr. Goncalves: I feel sorry for the police officer. I can't feel sorry for the dog. It's a two-family home. Do you own the home or are you the tenant?

Ms. Caverly: No, it's only one family.

Chief Valadas: Let me clarify. There was a call history. We didn't go there before and won't go into too much detail. When we contacted Ms. Anderson on Monday, it was to protect the public, and secure the means by which the assault took place which was the dog. There were different officers there the whole time. I don't want you to think it was the same officers that responded to the previous incidents or when we went there before for Mr. Caverly. It's different officers each time. I don't want you to think it's like always the same people. We go to many addresses for many different things.

Mr. DeBarge: You are right Attorney Firabano. You are absolutely right the dog was provoked by Bradley, not by the police going on a call that they were asked to go to. I'm going to go back to the arriving officer narrative, and I quote; "within my first initial knock the door immediately opened with such velocity and force that the strong breeze the door created was enough to feel standing approximately six feet away." Now I've owned dogs all of my life and if you have that kind of an attitude which we know was all day long and then that kind of a force opening the door with a police officer standing there and I know because I've been there. The dog is provoked by the owner. I'm going to start with being alarmed in the beginning that we got a letter with another request for a meeting to euthanize a dog. I'm happy to hear now that things are different because what I get as a selectman is I get narratives. I get narratives from you, I get narratives from the officers if they are involved, because of my experience I'm able to I guess you can say read between the lines so to speak. What I see is incredible restraint by the police department here. I see a perfect example of how well our police officers are trained in this state, in this town. I see a situation where the first responding officer was well within his right to shoot the dog. I would say that after that he was well within his rights to escalate his force towards Bradley. One of the best narratives that I've ever read including my own is a fantastic narrative from Officer Karaaslan. Imagine this and I quote; "I tried bracing myself when falling backwards, however I struck the back of my head on the metal fence and my elbows on the concrete floor. While on the ground the pet dog would continue to attack me. I regained my posture and struck the dog in the face. At no point did Bradley attempt to retrieve the dog." Now here's the point that I want everybody to imagine, close your eyes and imagine this; "due to poor lighting Bradley's statement to cause severe harm that would result in bodily harm or death. The lack of attention spent on Bradley, that's the most important part the lack of attention spent on Bradley while trying to defend myself and me not knowing if he had a weapon on his person I unholstered my firearm." There right there is the point where he could have escalated to another threshold because it's also his perception. He's got to fight a dog while he has somebody standing over him or moving towards him with their fists clenched not knowing what's on their waistband. So, paint yourself that picture and tell me who provoked the dog. I don't believe it's the dog's fault. I don't believe the dog should be euthanized, but I also don't believe that Bradley and the dog should be together. To the chief's point as well I'm not as optimistic as the chief as I don't think Bradley will do any time at all. I think he'll walk out the same day with the courts that we have. If he does, I need to know what's going to happen after that. Where's he going to go? It's not going to help me decide whether I'm going to euthanize a dog, I won't vote for that. But they can't be together obviously that's what charges the dog up. What can we do if he comes home? Even if he gets clean and I'm sorry that

you're going through this. Even if he gets clean and comes home, is there going to be something in place, is there going to be any other place where the dog can go. I know we can't go too far into the future. I'm just saying now the dog deserves a chance and that chance can't be around Bradley.

Ms. Firabono: If I may comment on some of the things that you just had to say Selectmen DeBarge.

Mr. DeBarge: That's up to the chairman.

Mr. Goncalves: I want to get my Board while they're fresh. Go ahead James.

Mr. Gennette: Ms. Anderson, when you were approaching the dog with the officers you saw no aggression?

Ms. Anderson: The dog definitely sounds terrifying behind glass. He's a big dog, a good hundred pounds. When a dog barks at a window, it just magnifies. We didn't approach completely. Was that your son-in-law?

Ms. Caverly: No that's my son.

Ms. Anderson: Her son and daughter came out and we talked in the driveway for a few minutes. It was agreed instead of me manhandling the dog; we have our bite poles and can do that if we have to; that he would come and put the dog in my truck and then from there the officer would follow me to the kennel and if we have to manhandle him out at least then we aren't doing it twice to the dog.

Mr. Gennette: Was the dog aggressive as you were picking it up?

Ms. Anderson: No, he walked out with her son and jumped in the truck and was absolutely fine.

Mr. Gennette: When you were handling the dog inside the kennel were you in your uniform at the time?

Ms. Anderson: Absolutely.

Mr. Gennette: You were, so there is no indication that the dog is triggered by uniform?

Ms. Anderson: Not at all. He was barking because somebody came into the driveway. As soon as her son brought the dog out, he jumped in the truck with no hesitation whatsoever. When we were at the kennel, I had my catchpole and carefully opened the side door to put it on expecting, because 99% of dogs that I have to use a catchpole on explode on me, he jumped out, and I didn't need the officer's help at all. Normally we need to put two catchpoles on.

Mr. Gennette: I was just trying to determine whether or not the dog is triggered by a uniform because this is kind of the problem. If we put the dog back in your home and I do apologize, not apologize but I'm sorry for your situation, you can't have another incident where police officers have to show up at the residence and the dog is going to keep attacking officers.

Ms. Anderson: I don't think the dog attacked the officers because they had uniforms on. I've dealt with the dog for the last eight days in uniform every time, and have actually worn a hat there.

Mr. Gennette: I agree with Mr. DeBarge. I don't think the dog needs to be euthanized, but there's no way he can be with Bradley. So, I don't know what your plans are. You said that Bradley wasn't going to be coming home he's going to be at a distance, but that's probably a temporary thing. He's your son. You can't expect somebody to not be there. So, I don't know how that whole thing is going to get managed, but I agree I don't think it's euthanizing the dog.

Ms. Anderson: I think Bradley isn't in a manic phase. I've never met him. I don't know but usually when people are in a manic phase it's a completely different energy. I don't think Bradley seeing the dog is going to provoke the dog to attack at all.

Mr. Gennette: But that's the chemical mixture that got us here.

Ms. Anderson: Right, the chemical issue that got us here was the manic behavior and the dog being subject to it all day.

Mr. Rosenblum: As you know, I'm a dog owner also. I have a lab not a 140 pounds, he's about 70 pounds, and everything you've described I can see in my dog. When another dog walks by, he gets up in that window and that bark is nasty. You are exactly right. It's a pack. Dogs lead the pack. It's the same thing with my kids in the house, with my wife, myself, my mother-in-law. If anyone made a quick move at somebody without us being there, the dog sometimes has been like a little sketchy. Dogs are definitely an extension of their owners. In this instance with Bradley being in a bad state for pretty much the whole day, the dog is going to feed off of that. It's exactly what you said. The ears back, shows nerves heightened, sense of anxiety. Even forward sometimes lets you know the dog is kind of on edge. I think Bradley is the trigger. Behind closed doors, he probably said sic him.

Ms. Anderson: He could very easily.

Mr. Rosenblum: With what we're hearing in the report here, with some of the statements that were made towards the police officers. Now it's exactly to the point where you had said that the statement of euthanized, but once you've had the time with the dog. I wouldn't euthanize the dog; I do think that the dog was provoked by its owner.

Ms. Anderson: Yes. Right now, the way the property is three quarters of the yard is fenced in. We talked about temporary fencing when she lets the dog out. When I let the dog out, he literally peed and ran back inside. He's not really an outside dog whatsoever. An electric fence will also help with training. She has already approached the behaviorist which will help the dog. It won't break the bond that the dog has with Bradley, but with some training it will at least help the dog to be able to handle what stress.

Mr. Rosenblum: Obviously, he's going to be back in the house at some point; and he's going to interact with the dog, it's going to happen. It just depends on the state that he's in. If he's in a normal state, then the dog won't feed off the negative impact from him. If he's on edge, you'll know unfortunately after twelve years what the signs are, so that's going to have to be something that you are going to have to be cognizant of because if there's another call while he's at the house we could end up with the same situation. It could end up not being a taser.

Ms. Anderson: One thing about dog training is the more time a person spends training their dog or being with their dog the closer the bond becomes. I don't know how much time you spend with the dog but if you follow the trainers' suggestions and actually spend time with the dog, the bond with the dog the bond with Bradley will lessen. Some dogs who weren't attached to him probably wouldn't have reacted that way. So, I'm hoping in the long run that even if Bradley does show up somewhat agitated, she will have more control over the dog to be able to say go lay in your safe spot, whether it's a kennel, whether it's a room, or whatever it happens to be. I think that will also help the dog in general and also the safety of everybody, the safety of the officers. which is why we are actually here. I think that with the training and you putting the time which obviously you are willing to do. I think it lessens the danger of Bradley walking in the door and she, as you said, needs to be really vigilant of what frame of mind are you in right now?

Ms. Caverly: I'm protecting myself as well.

Mr. Silva: Mostly the things that I was going to recommend or actually ask, have been spoken about but I just have to say what a difficult time you must be going through. It's not easy for you to be here and actually try to help set things straight and help your son. It's difficult. I was going to say about training, especially people coming to your door, whether it's an officer or whoever, somebody makes a mistake and knocks on your door rather than the neighbor's, we need training to get the dog to be calm. That's one thing. The other thing that I have is are you going to do some kind of restraining order or anything on your son so he cannot come back and how long does, that's probably for the chief.

Ms. Caverly: That's not even in the realm right now with what I'm dealing with. If I have to cross that bridge, I will deal with it at the time but right now I can't make that comment.

Mr. Silva: No, no I don't want you to comment. I mean if the dog is going to go back, you might not be around at all times and if Bradley is around, I'm sure that he'll want to go see the dog. So, if he's not able to go to the property for a while anyway until he gets some help it might be a good idea. When I first read this, like all my colleagues and I'm harder I have a dog, a smaller one, but I'm harder on dogs than they are quite honestly. I'm a one and done kind of a person quite honestly. If my dog does that, he's not staying home. If he turns on one of my kids, he's not staying home. Everyone has got their own opinions, their own feelings, but if he did this once he's going to do it again, especially without some kind of training whether it's a police officer or a kid.

Ms. Anderson: So, I recommend me following up to make sure the training does happen, the electric fence is put in and me being in contact with the trainer also to see how this is developing as far as that type of behavior.

Mr. Goncalves: How long is training like this normally?

Ms. Anderson: It's almost like reprogramming, a good six months, depending on what the trainer has. Some trainers do once a week; some trainers are there every other day. This is a behavior, so she does know what she's doing. She's not an average dog trainer. I know of this person. She is definitely good. I don't think she would have a problem coming out to her house two or three times a week or however much she recommends. The more you can keep Bradley away until those triggers are at least controllable the better you're going to be. Dogs can be re-taught. It doesn't matter if they're 10 years old or 2 years old. They can be reprogrammed.

Mr. Goncalves: Are you ok with that, everything that we just talked about, the electric fence, the training?

Ms. Caverly: Yes definitely. When I talk to the behaviorists and when she gets to know Bear and everything, I'd like to ask her what will be best. I know there's a little zapping thing that happens, so I want to talk to her about that. I want to make sure that is going to be ok for him and it's not going to trigger something. I don't want my dog to have any turmoil. I want my dog to be a happy dog. I'm going to rely on the behaviorist expertise to help my dog have a happy life.

Ms. Firabono: I just wanted to say again that this was not a response to some sort of criminal activity taking place. It wasn't a neighbor calling to report a crazy man at a house. A woman went to the police station because she was worried about her son. This is ultimately a mental health call that escalated further. This may not be the appropriate place for me to direct the questions to the chief on how the police officers in Ludlow. (Everyone talking at once)

Mr. Goncalves: You're beating a dead horse at this point, so I don't think you'll be surprised or pleased with the outcome.

Ms. Firabono: It wasn't like they were responding. It's not like police are responding to this house on a regular basis either.

Mr. DeBarge: Do you know that police officers get killed when they go to calls that are not violent? Do you know police officers get nonviolent calls so that they can get assassinated. This is a dog hearing. We don't need to get into this right now. We can make a motion about the dog. (All taking at once)

Moved by Mr. Gennette that we give the Animal Control Officer the ability to monitor the training and the facilities in which Bear the dog in question is homed, and follow up in six months, seconded by Mr. Rosenblum. Vote 5-0.

Moved by Mr. Rosenblum to close dog hearing at 6:15pm, seconded by Mr. Silva. Vote 5-0

Correspondence

163. Celebrate Ludlow Committee-application for a one-day beer and wine permit for Celebrate Ludlow to be held on October 15, 2022.

Moved by Mr. Silva to approve the one-day beer and wine permit for Celebrate Ludlow for October 15, 2022, seconded by Mr. DeBarge. Vote 5-0.

164. Town of Ludlow State General Election Early Voting In-Person Schedule.

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Mr. Goncalves: Marc, am I going to guess this on the website somewhere.

Mr. Strange: Yeah

Mr. Silva: Information only.

Mr. Goncalves: Information only, October 22nd to November 4th at Town Hall, first floor; looks like October 22nd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th 29th is from 9:00 am to either 2:00 or 1:00. Then Saturday, which might work for a lot of people, October 29th from 9:00 to 5:00 here at the Town Hall; Monday 8:30 to 4:30, November 1st 8:30 to 4:30, the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th also 8:30 to 4:30.

Moved by Mr. Rosenblum to file, seconded by Mr. Silva. Vote 5-0.

Unfinished Business

Board to sign the One Day Beer and Wine permit for Celebrate Ludlow if approved.

Moved by Mr. Gennette to sign the One Day Beer and Wine permit for Celebrate Ludlow, seconded by Mr. Silva. Vote 5-0

New Business

Board to approve and sign ten copies of the call of the election for the November 8, 2022 Town Election.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge to approve and sign ten copies of the call of the election for the November 8, 2022 Town Election, seconded by Mr. Rosenblum. Vote 5-0

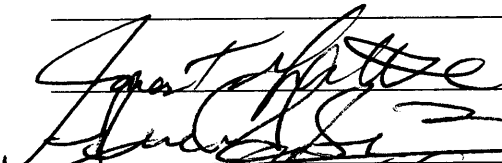
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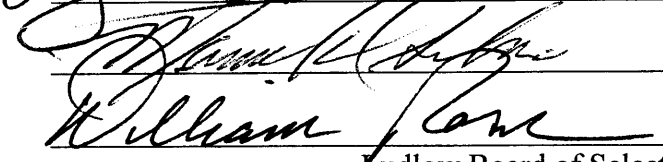
Mr. DeBarge: Celebrate Ludlow is this Saturday, October 15th. It's at a new venue if nobody knows. It's down at the Gazebo at The Memorial from noon to 8:00. I will also say that I brought up the initial responding officer in this certain dog call, but every single one of those officers that showed up and every single one that performed their duties was outstanding. The restraint was exceptional and at the same time dangerous for them and they need to be recognized for this. That was a well-executed call.

Mr. Goncalves: Reminder everybody that the David Goncalves Memorial Golf Tournament is this Saturday. The golf portion is sold out but there are still tickets for the dinner portion, at the club if anybody wants to go to dinner. I think there are still some tickets available.

Mr. Silva: I have nothing other than please attend Celebrate Ludlow, have a good time and be safe. Have a good evening.

Moved by Mr. Rosenblum to adjourn meeting at 6:16pm, seconded by Mr. Silva. Vote 5-0

Chairman




Ludlow Board of Selectmen