

Markel offers update on EV Charging in Hampden

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HAMPDEN -- Hampden Town Administrator Bob Markel is working hard to make Level 3 EV charging a reality in Hampden, as he explores potential locations for the chargers.

"Here are the potential sites: senior center, police department," he said.

"I did talk to (Highway Superintendent) Mark (Langone) briefly about that green space in between the police department and the senior center. We agreed that's not going to be practical."

Markel said that "something changed" recently, as he's observed there are now enough electric vehicles to completely fill charging stations. Recently, he explored a Level 3 charging port on Memorial Drive in Chicopee; all four ports were being used, and two cars were waiting in line.

"In thinking of a place to do this, we have to think that eventually we may have a couple of cars that will sit and wait in line, and certainly that green space I thought might work will not work because you don't want cars stacked up along (Allen Street)," Markel said.

Business owners have incentive to implement chargers in their lots, and Markel is traveling throughout Hampden to explore possible options. Among the businesses he's reached out to are Mountain View Restaurant on Allen Street and Rediker Software, Inc on Wilbraham Road.

Markel said that Rediker Software, Inc had not responded but noted that might be the best place, depending on the conversation he will have with the business owner.

"They have plenty of room. I doubt the parking lot ever fills up. I drove in there to take a look at it," Markel said. "I think it would work really well. You wouldn't see it from the highway, but what happens now is you can plug in chargers, and the GPS will take you right in there."

Markel has also had discussions involving the mini mall on Allen Street, a central location in town. Davenport proposed installing the ports in the lot behind the Dunkin Donuts, but Markel shared an idea that he believes would not interrupt parking in the main lot.

"I think the one place that would make sense would be between the restaurant La Cucina and Somers Road. Around the back there are spaces there;

the parking wraps around, and there are spaces that are rarely occupied behind there. I went back there to take a look... It would be less disruptive," Markel said.

Board Chair John Flynn questioned the location, noting, "I've never seen that, and that's an area that floods."

Markel responded, "The attraction there is they could be seen from the highway."

Flynn supports installing the ports on Main Street, as he proposed another location.

"The other parking lot that's never filled is the hardware store. Then they could walk to the park," he said.

Selectman Craig Rivest doesn't believe there will be enough room at Mountain View Restaurant, as parking is extremely limited during the summer. He proposed another idea.

"Here's another thought. What about Gerrish Park? I see some cars there rarely driving down Main Street. We could encourage people to park, sit down and read a book for a little while. You can go fishing, go hiking on trails," Rivest said.

As the board considered his idea, Rivest offered another possibility and reminded the board that the charging station will be a revenue generator.

"Here's another thought. What about (the former) Cumbies, if we didn't talk about CPC funding for taking possession, we're not using it for anything other than parking. We wouldn't need the septic," he said.

Flynn supported the idea, again supporting installing on Main Street.

"Craig makes a good point," he said. "The park is right there. Main Street is about the best walking area. You have access to the restaurant right there."

Markel reaffirmed that the town can still get incentives if the ports are installed on non-town-owned land.

"It used to be the rule was you had to put it on public property. Not now. I've checked on that. You can put it someplace that is not public property. Businesses are using these chargers as an incentive to come in, park your car and go ahead and shop. The tendency would be to stay longer," he said.

Markel supported Rivest's idea for the former Cumberland Farms parking lot on Main Street, but reminded the board that the clock is ticking.

Markel said, "I think it would be a great idea, but we have to act relatively soon, or the money (available from the state) will go to somebody else."

PUBLIC NOTICES

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD23P1916EA**
Estate of:
Robert A Blais
Also known as:
Robert Armand Blais
Date of Death: 07/21/2023
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Joanne M Bell of Wilbraham, MA and Robert C Blais of Warren, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Joanne M Bell of Wilbraham, MA and Robert C Blais of Warren, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/24/2023.**

This is **NOT** a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Barbara M Hyland, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 26, 2023
Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
10/04/2023

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
Docket No. HD23P1924GD**
In the interests of
Tristan Truly Moss of Ludlow, MA
Minor
NOTICE AND ORDER:

**Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor
NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES**
1. Hearing Date/Time:
A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on **09/14/2023** by **Barbara A Glanville of Ludlow, MA** will be held **10/16/2023 08:30 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing**. Located: **Probate & Family Court, 50 State Street, 4th Floor, Springfield, MA 01103**

2. Response to Petition:
You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:
File the original with the Court; and
Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

3. Counsel for the Minor: The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

4. Counsel for Parents: If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filling out the Application of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard.

5. Presence of the Minor at Hearing: A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.
Date: September 14, 2023
Rosemary A Saccomani
Register of Probate
10/04/2023

**Town of Ludlow
LEGAL NOTICE**

In accordance with Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Board of Selectmen has called a Public Hearing on **Tuesday, November 7, 2023, at 5:35 p.m.** in the Selectmen's Conference Room, Town Hall, 488 Chapin Street, Ludlow, MA on the application of Ludlow Country Club 1 Tony Lema Drive, Ludlow, MA for Change of Manager to Antonio Tavares.

James Gennette, Chairman
Ludlow Board of Selectmen
10/04, 10/11/2023

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Hampden Division
Docket No. HD23P1553EA**
Estate of:
THOMAS CHARLES PATULLO
Also Known As:
THOMAS C. PATULLO
Date of Death:
May 4, 2023
INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of
Petitioner **JAMES MORGAN OF SOUTH HADLEY, MA**
Petitioner **DAVID KLEKOTA OF SOUTH**

HADLEY, MA
a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

**JAMES MORGAN OF SOUTH HADLEY, MA
DAVID KLEKOTA OF SOUTH HADLEY, MA**

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.
10/04/2023

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Hampden Probate and Family Court
50 State Street
Springfield, MA 01103
(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD22P1966EA**
Estate of:
Phyllis A Tokarski
Date of Death: 07/07/2022
CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

A Petition for **Order of Complete Settlement** has been filed by **Mollie M Burns of Springfield MA** requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

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You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/24/2023.**

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WITNESS, Hon. Barbara M. Hyland, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 22, 2023
Rosemary A. Saccomani
Register of Probate
10/04/2023



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