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Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING – August 5, 2014

Present: David Consolati, Chairman, Patricia D. Carlino and Thomas Wickham, Board of Selectmen and Robert Nason, Town Administrator.

The Chair, David Consolati called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Public Minutes of July 15, 2014 and July 22, 2014.*
2. **Public Hearing:** None.
3. **General Business:** State 911 Department Grant Applications - Police Chief Roosa came before the Board to discuss the State 911 Department Support and Incentive Grant and the Training Grant Applications. The Training Grant Application in the amount of \$10,000.00 includes \$2,300.00 for fees for online training, \$2,504.28 for Personnel Costs and the remainder for fringe and/or indirect costs associated with personnel costs. The Support and Incentive Grant Application in the amount of \$153,266.00 includes \$77,488.95 for enhanced 911 Telecommunicator Personnel Costs, \$14,581.40 for Computer-Aided Dispatch Systems, \$59,479.77 for Fire Alarm Receiving and Alerting Equipment Associated with Providing Enhanced 911 Service. Regarding the FY 2015 Support and Incentive Application in the amount of \$153,226.00: *The Board members voted unanimously to accept the application and to insure timely reimbursement, authorize Police Chief Roosa to sign related contracts and other legal documents.* Regarding the FY 2015 Training Application in the amount of \$10,000.00: *The Board members voted unanimously to accept the application and to insure timely reimbursement authorize Police Chief Roosa to sign related contracts and other legal documents.*

FY 2015 Formula Grant Application – Council on Aging - *The Board members voted unanimously to accept the FY 2015 Formula Grant Application in the amount of \$12,344.00 and authorize the Chair to sign it.*

Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee (EEAC) Update – Tom Wickham, Chairman of the EEAC updated the Board on a meeting hosted by Lenox Select Board Chair, Channing Gibson, Selectmen Ken Fowler and Town Manager, Chris Ketchen at the Lenox Town Hall on July 30, 2014. Members of the Lee EEAC who attended were Tom Wickham, Gerald Leprevost, Roger Scheurer, Bill Enser and Robert Turtz. Speakers at this meeting were Joseph J. Vaschak, Senior Business Development Manager, Constellation, Massachusetts Municipal Association Endorsed Energy Supplier, regarding Electricity and Natural Gas Supply Purchasing and Beth Greenblatt, Managing Director of Beacon Integrated Solutions on Solar Power Generation on Town-Owned Land. At this point we are looking

only at using the landfill for Solar Power. We are also working with Lenox on a joint Owners' Agent Grant which was submitted on Friday, August 1st.

Website Provider Selection – The Town interviewed three providers to give prices on a revised Town of Lee website. The three were Virtual Town Hall, Gov Office and Civic Plus, with Virtual Town Hall being the most popular as they were the only provider that provided a face-to-face demonstration and the only provider that proposes face-to-face training. They have a local presence and their business focuses on New England. In the demos it seemed the easiest for the users to add meeting notices, events and minutes. The Higher cost of Virtual Town Hall is justified by the local support and the ease of use. The IT budget can cover the Virtual Town Hall choice and the start-up cost can be funded from the IT upgrade account. The annual cost can be covered in the operating budget and will be offset by savings in IT support labor currently used to maintain the web. *The Board members voted unanimously to select Virtual Town Hall as the website provider and authorize the Chair to sign the associated agreement.*

Manpower & Equipment for Sewer and Water Main Repairs - Mr. Nason came before the Board to discuss the LB Corp Agreement which ends on December 31, 2014. Bids will be taken in the fall for a new three year agreement. He discussed LB Corp. proposal to amend the contract from \$102,000 to \$122,400 to increase the water main repairs allowance. *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the \$20,400.00 increase and authorize the Chair to sign the contract amendment.*

Berkshire Gas Permits - *The Board members voted unanimously to grant permits to Berkshire Gas Company to install new gas service at 515 Marble Street and 630 East Street.*

Good Purpose Gallery (CIP) / Barrington Stage Co. – One Day Beer & Wine License - *The Board members voted unanimously to grant to the Good Purpose Gallery (CIP) / Barrington Stage Co., a One Day Beer & Wine permit for their event in support of Production Dance Lessons, which will be a small reception and talk with playwright on Friday, August 8, 2014 from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM.*

First Congregational Church / Sam Sorrentino – Temporary Sign Permit – *The Board members voted unanimously to grant to the First Congregational Church / Sam Sorrentino a temporary sign permit for the Movies in the Park from July 29th through August 22nd.*

St. Mary's School – Temporary Sign Permit - *The Board members voted unanimously to grant to St. Mary's School a temporary sign permit for the period of August 13th through August 23rd for the St. Mary's Carnival.*

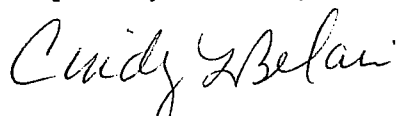
Berkshire Regional Planning Commission – Appointment of Town of Lee Alternate Delegate - *At the recommendation of the Planning Board, the Board members voted unanimously to appoint Buck Donovan as the Town of Lee's alternate delegate to the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission.*

4. Pending Business:

- a. 2014 Mini-Site Collections – Saturday, August 16, 2014 – 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM – Great Barrington Recycling Center

- b. Farmers Market – Every Thursday through September – 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM in the Park.
 - c. Passenger Rail Station Location and Design Study Public Meeting – Wednesday, August 6th at (Intermodel Center: large classroom, ITC 1) 1 Columbus Ave., Pittsfield, from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM.
5. **Town Administrator:** a. Ambulance Service EMT Appointment - Mr. Nason announced his appointment of Peter Durso as part-time volunteer EMT for the Ambulance Service. Mr. Nason stated that Mr. Durso has been an EMT since 1998. *The Board members voted unanimously to support Mr. Nason's appointment of Peter Durso as a part-time volunteer EMT for the Lee Ambulance Service.*
- b. Mass Works Infrastructure Grant Application Update - Mr. Nason stated that he, State Rep, Smitty Pignatelli and Senator Benjamin Downing attended a meeting on July 31, 2014 at the State House with Secretary Bilecki. Everything is on track with Renaissance Mill. Mr. Nason also extended his thanks to the support from Smitty Pignatelli and Ben Downing.
- c. FY 2015 Revenue & Expense Reports through July 31, 2014 - Mr. Nason stated that the Revenue & Expense Reports through July 31, 2014 are available on the Selectmen's work table.
6. **Public Comments:** None. Patty Carlino extended thanks to the people in charge of the hanging flowers on Main Street. She stated that she get comments from all over the county on how great they look.
7. **Next Regular Meeting:** Our next regular meeting will be August 19, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom.
8. **Motion to Adjourn:** *The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the public session of the meeting at 7:34 PM.*

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy L. Belair,
Selectmen's Secretary

Notice of Website Posting Sent to:

Board of Selectmen
Town Administrator
Town Clerk
Town Collector
Planning Board

Board of Assessors
Board of Health
Conservation Commission
Police Chief
Building Inspector

Dept. of Public Works
Town Treasurer
Town Reps. District Chairmen
Superintendent of Schools
Town Accountant