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Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING – April 19, 2016

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

Chair, Patricia Carlino, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM .

1. **Approval of Minutes:** *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Public Session Minutes of April 5, 2016 and the Executive Session Minutes of April 5, 2016.*
2. **Public Hearings:** Alpamayo Restaurant – Transfer of License – Attorney Loretta Mach along with her client Javier Fernandez came before the Board, to present Mr. Fernandez's petition to transfer the All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant License from Javier C. Fernandez, d/b/a Alpamayo Restaurant, 60 Main Street, Lee, MA 01238 to Alpamayo Restaurant, Inc., 60 Main Street, Lee, MA. *After a brief discussion, the Board members voted unanimously to approve the transfer of the All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant License from Javier C. Fernandez, d/b/a Alpamayo Restaurant to Alpamayo Restaurant, Inc.*
3. **General Business:** Library Fan Coil Replacement Contract – The Board members reviewed Library Director, Damon Vorce's letter of April 12th, requesting replacement of three radiators in the children's room of the library, along with a copy of the proposal from Tim LePrevost Plumbing and Heating, Inc. for the replacement of the radiators in the amount of \$9,975.00. Mr. Nason reported that the Finance Committee had approved a \$9,975.00 reserve fund transfer to pay for the work. *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the proposal from LePrevost Plumbing and Heating, Inc., in the amount of \$9,975.00.*

(Shared Services) Administrative Review Committee (ARC) Update – Mr. Nason presented the March 8th, April 6th and April 12th minutes of the Shared Service Administrative Review Committee (ARC) Meetings. Mr. Nason noted that the three towns (Lee, Lenox & Stockbridge) representatives' discussions were primarily about the Fire and Ambulance Service Sharing, Manager/Administrators and Equipment Sharing.

Mr. Nason relayed that Tom Matuszko from Berkshire Regional Planning Commission reaffirmed his commitment to help draft inter-municipal agreements for equipment sharing. Chairman Carlino, who also chairs the ARC, reported that the committee had agreed to suspend Fire Department Service Sharing pending the outcome of the Department of Revenue/Division of Local Services' effort to determine the feasibility of and pathway to a shared Chief Administrative Office.

May 12, 2016 Town Meeting Warrant, April 14, 2016 Draft – Mr. Nason presented the draft for the May 12, 2016 Town Meeting. He also announced the Baby Town Meeting to be held on April 21, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Senior Center. The Northern Mills Area Wide Plan display for the reuse scenarios will be at the Baby Town Meeting.

Patty reminded everyone that there would be no special meeting at 7:00 PM this year; that the Town Meeting would start at 7:30 PM. There was a question about changing the time of the meeting from 7:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Mr. Nason replied that it was in the bylaws to start at 7:30 PM and we would have to change the bylaw to change the time. The Board requested that we do that.

There was also discussion regarding Article 27, the local gas tax. Mr. Nason replied that we put it in the warrant again to show our support for this local tax option to fund road and bridge repairs.

Flags on Streetlight Poles – Patty Carlino announced that the VFW placed 22 -23 flags on Main Street and she suggested that there may be a couple more. The Town, via a Finance Committee approved reserve fund transfer, has committed to \$3,000.00 to help out with the cost of the brackets and poles.

Common Victualer Application – *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a Common Victualer license to Peasoup, LLC, d/b/a The Federal House Inn.*

Common Victualer Application - *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a Common Victualer license to Big Y Foods, Inc. for the convenience store and gas station as they will now be the sole owners of this business.*

One Day Beer & Wine License - *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a One Day Beer & Wine License to the Masonic Lodge (Evening Star Lodge) for their fundraiser on Saturday, June 25, 2016 from 12:00 PM – 8:00 PM.*

(2) Temporary Sign Permits – *The Board members voted unanimously to grant two temporary sign permits: one for the Girl's Lacrosse Toll Stop on May 7th and one for the Boy's Lacrosse Toll Stop on June 4th.*

4. Pending Business:

- a. Community Shred Day- Saturday, April 23, 2016 – Toole Insurance Parking Lot, 195 Main Street from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM.
- b. Source to Sound River Festival – Sunday, April 24, 2016 – 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM. Planning Board – Public Hearing – Monday, April 25, 2016 at 6:15 PM in the Planning Board Office.
- c. 2016 Mini-site Collection – Saturday, April 30th – 8:30 AM – 11:00 AM at the Great Barrington Recycling Center.

5. **Town Administrator:** a. Personnel - Appointment: Mr. Nason announced his appointment of Lee resident, Patricia DiGrigoli as the Council on Aging Director. *The board members voted unanimously to support Mr. Nason appointment of Patricia DiGrigoli as the Council on Aging Director effective May 9th.*

Berkshire Eagle Reporter, Dick Lindsay asked Mr. Nason about the status of the ambulance service. Mr. Nason replied that Director, Lisa Michaud, has relinquished her role as a paramedic but continues to work one day a week on administrative tasks, particularly the transition to a new billing service. Since October of 2012 the Service has operated with paid staff from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM at the paramedic level. On call volunteers have provided a basic level of service from 6:00 PM to 6:00 AM. After more than 3 ½ years of operation as a half-time paramedic level service the state Office of Emergency Medical Services requires that we expand our paramedic coverage and we plan to do that with a combination of paid staff and intercept services. A paid paramedic and a paid EMT Basic will work three 6:00 PM to 6:00 AM shifts. The other four 6:00 PM to 6:00 AM shifts will be covered by County Ambulance and two paid, EMT Basics who will be simultaneously dispatched. If our responding EMT's determine that a paramedic level service is not required, the county service call will be cancelled without charge. If the paramedic level service is required, we will pay County a \$245 intercept fee.

Dick asked if there has been any improvement in the collection aspect. Mr. Nason responded that \$96,000.00 has been billed since mid February, but it is too soon to tell about collection success.

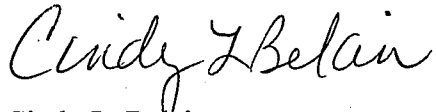
6. **Public Comments:** None

David Consolati stated that residents may be getting crank calls stating that the IRS demands money. He said the IRS does not call people individually, they send letters and to ignore any such calls. Do not send any money and notify the police department.

7. **Next Meeting & Next Regular Meeting:** The next meeting will be on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 5:00 PM in the Selectmen's Office to sign the Warrant and the next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 7:00 PM.

8. **Motion to Adjourn:** *The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM.*

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy L. Belair,
Selectmen's Secretary

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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