Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF MEETING – May 16, 2017

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

Acting Chair, Thomas P. Wickham, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The first order of business was to reorganize the Board. *Upon motion duly made and seconded the Board members voted unanimously to elect, David J. Consolati as Chairman and Thomas P. Wickham as Clerk.*

David Consolati thereupon assumed the duties of the Chair.

- 1. **Approval of Minutes:** The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Executive Session Minutes of October 18, 2016 and May 9, 2017 and the Public Session Minutes of May 2, 2017 and May 9, 2017.
- 2. Public Hearings: None.
- 3. **General Business:** Pole Easement 300-310 Greylock Street The Board members reviewed the Easement Agreement prepared by Shatz, Schwartz and Fentin, P.C., Attorneys for Verizon Wireless, to install an antenna on the pole to improve cell service to the area. The Board members voted unanimously to grant the pole easement to Verizon Wireless.

<u>Temporary Sign Permits</u> – The Board members voted unanimously to grant temporary sign permits for the 2017 Road Tolls to Lee High School and to the G. Marconi Lodge/Sons of Italy and to waive the sign permit fee

<u>Lee Council on Aging Appointments</u> - The Board members voted unanimously to appoint Joseph P. Hanley, Jr. DMD and Patricia M. Hanley, RN to the Lee Council on Aging.

<u>Tent Permit Fee Waiver</u> - The Board members voted unanimously to waive the tent permit fee for the VFW for the tent for their annual Memorial Day event.

<u>Berkshire Gas Permit</u> - The Board members voted unanimously to grant a Berkshire Gas Permit to repair gas service on 110 Orchard Street, contingent on the DPW and Police Department signing off on the permit.

MassDOT Paving - The Board members reviewed the May 11, 2017 letter from MassDOT notifying the Lee Board of Selectmen that they have additional state monies that have been secured for District One, they will be paving Route 102 in Lee from the Lee/Stockbridge town line to the Big Y intersection.

4. Pending Business:

- a. 2017 Mini-site Collection Saturday, June 3rd 8:30 10:30 AM Lenox Dept. of Public Works.
- b. Lee Memorial Day Parade 10:00 AM Monday, May 29, 2017.
- 5. **Town Administrator:** <u>Seasonal Appointments</u> Mr. Nason announced his appointments of the seasonal employees for Sandy Beach as follows: Returning Maintenance Personnel Dmitri Consolati a new maintenance assistant, Hugo Billard.

Mr. Nason appointed Matty Kelly again this year as our seasonal Water Intern at the recommendation of Chris Pompi, subject to the Board's approval.

Mr. Nason announced his reappointment of Town Accountant, Lynn Browne and made mention that for the last couple of years Lynn has been instrumental in our receipt of a squeaky clean audit. Her term is subject to reappointment every five (5) years. Mr. Nason also announced that at the recommendation of DOR, Lynn will be taking on the role of Procurement Officer. Along with these extra duties Lynn's workweek will increase by $2\frac{1}{2}$ days from 37.5 hours weekly to 40.0 hours weekly.

The Board members unanimously approved all of the above appointments made by Mr. Nason.

Mr. Nason stated that we have advertised for an Assistant Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) / Human Resource Person.

Mr. Nason also announced that there are employment opportunities for paramedics and Custodian/EMT's.

6. Public Comments: None.

Tom Wickham thanked everyone for coming out to vote.

David Consolati thanked Tom Wickham, Kathy Hall and the DPW for all of their hard work on the new playground at the Lee Athletic Field.

David also commented that he has heard from locals that they "hate" the new bag law. David responded that we have been talking about it at our meetings for quite some time now and he urges people if they have issues about town related matters they should become a town representative. People should take responsibility. There was ample opportunity to state your case.

- 7. **Next Regular Meeting:** Our next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 at 7:00 PM.
- 8. **Motion to Adjourn**: The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Selectmen's Secretary

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