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Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING – September 19, 2017

Present: David Consolati, Chairman, Patricia D. Carlino and Thomas Wickham, Board of Selectmen and Christopher Ketchen, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO).

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

1. **Approval of Minutes:** *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Open Session Minutes of September 5, 2017.*
2. **Public Hearings:** None.
3. **General Business:** Greener Gateway Committee – Green Community Discussion - Peter Hofman came before the Board and introduced The Green Communities Division Partnering with Massachusetts Cities and Towns, Western Mass Regional Coordinator, Jim Barry. He discussed the qualifying criteria to become a Green Community. 1) As-Of-Right Siting 2) Expedited Permitting 3) Energy Baseline 4) Fuel Efficient Vehicles and 5) Minimize Life Cycle Costs. He discussed the Stretch Code and old misconceptions and expressed that the Stretch Code is no longer much of a stretch. David Consolati and Tom Wickham both expressed why they're against the prospect of becoming a Green Community and how it adds costs to their work as contractors. Patty Carlino asked Mr. Barry if he would provide statistics showing the differences in costs. Patty Carlino stated that she would be willing for Mr. Barry to come back to go over the statistics more in depth. She thanked Peter for his efforts on Founder's Day and commented on the great job of keeping everything organized.

East Center Street Sewer Pipe Lining Project – Wastewater Supervisor, Alan Zerbato came before the Board with the Bid Summary & the recommendation for the Town of Lee East Center Street Sewer Pipe Lining Project. Six bids were received and Mr. Zerbato is recommending awarding the project to the low bidder, Insituform Technologies in the amount of \$53,525.00. Mr. Zerbato stated that he checked references and Insituform Technologies comes highly recommended. *Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board members voted unanimously to award the East Center Street Sewer Pipe Lining Project contract to Insituform Technologies in the amount of \$53,525.00.*

Planning Board Approval of Smart Growth Overlay District (SGOD) – Discussion – A 40 R designation will help with the future growth for the Town, changing the downtown zoning into an industrial area, allowing use by right. It would have to go to Town Meeting and voted on. We need to pass 40R in order to receive grant dollars for future projects. At their meeting, the Planning Board moved and passed to send the warrant article to the Board of Selectmen.

Council on Aging (COA) Appointments - COA Director Patricia DiGrigoli submitted to the Board the three following recommendations for appointment to the Council on Aging Board Committee: Marcia Briggs, Patricia Jongkind and Beverly Allen. *The Board members voted unanimously to appoint Marcia Briggs, Patricia Jongkind and Beverly Allen to the Council on Aging Board.* The Board extended their thanks to these three women for their interest in volunteering to be on the Committee.

One Day Beer & Wine License – *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a One Day Beer & Wine License to The Spectrum Playhouse on Monday, October 2, 2017 from 3:00 PM – 8:00 PM for a small wedding ceremony.*

Entertainment License - *The Board members voted unanimously to grant an Entertainment License to Ingegri Salon on Saturday, September 16th, from Noon to Midnight for their annual gathering on Founder's Day.*

4. **Pending Business:**

- a. 2017 Mini-site Collection – Saturday, October 7th – 8:30 AM – 11: AM – Great Barrington Recycling Committee.
- b. Household Hazardous Waste Collection – Saturday, October 21st – 9:00 AM – 12:30 PM – Great Barrington Recycling Center.

5. **Chief Administrative Officer:**

- a. Board Decision on CAO's FY 18 Goals/Objectives - The Board members agreed to the CAO's Draft 2017-18 Management Goals and Objectives which are:
 1. Conduct Financial Planning in Accordance with AAA Bond Rated Standards
 2. Bring Greater Focus to Personnel Management
 3. Develop Municipal Budget with Clear Priorities
 4. Bring Focus to Economic Development Challenges and Opportunities
 5. Respond to External Opportunities/Threats in a Professional, Fact-Based Manner.
- b. Updates – Lee Dispatch Employees & switch over to Berkshire County Sheriff Control – As Police Chief Roosa was called out of town, Fire Chief Brown came before the Board in Chief Roosa's stead. Chief Brown stated that as of October 2nd at 5:00 PM Lee Dispatch will be discontinued. All full-time dispatchers have spoken to

Human Resources about their options. The 2100 number will ring directly to the dispatch (Berkshire Sheriff Control) in Lanesborough and the 413-243-5530 police department number will ring through if unanswered after 4 rings. Water/Sewer department alarms will also ring through to the Sheriff's dispatch center. All town hall numbers will remain the same and we encourage everyone to call the specific departments that they want to speak with and not call 243-2100 as in the past. The cost of the dispatch service will be \$16,000 for the first year with an approximate 3% increase yearly. The first two years of this fee should also be waived, covered by the Sheriff Department's development and incentive grant from the state. Any other system maintenance and upkeep costs that the town will be responsible for should be covered under monies that we currently budget for as communication costs.

The state 911 grant in the amount of \$137,575.00 has been approved. *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the standard contract.*

6. **Public Comments:** There were no public comments.

David Consolati thanked everyone for attending Founder's Weekend. We had a spectacular turnout and the Friday night fireworks went off without a hitch. He thanked the Green Community, the vendors and everyone that made the parade great.

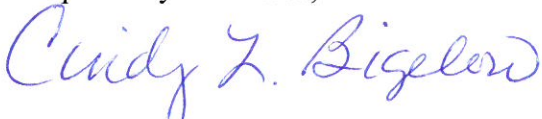
Tom Wickham thanked Chief Ryan Brown and Chief Jeff Roosa for all their help during Founder's Weekend and thanked the Chamber of Commerce for a well organized weekend and all their work pulling everything together.

Patty Carlino also commented on Founder's Weekend and extended thanks to everyone involved. She also was wondering why, once again, the flowers were taken off the Main Street just prior to Founder's Weekend.

7. **Next Regular Meeting:** Our next regular meeting is scheduled for October 3, 2017.

8. **Motion to Adjourn:** *By a motion duly made and seconded the Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:07PM.*

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy L. Bigelow,
Administrative Assistant

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