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Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

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MINUTES OF MEETING – September 18, 2018

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

Patty Carlino called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** *Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board members voted unanimously to approve the Open Session Minutes of September 4, 2018.*
2. **Public Hearings:** None.
3. **General Business:** Peter Hofman Discussion – Cigarette Butt Collectors - Peter Hofman came before the Board to get their final approval on the cigarette butt collectors and their locations in town. After a brief discussion and Mr. Hofman's assurance that the committee would be responsible for emptying the collectors, *and upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board members voted unanimously to approve the butt collectors and their locations.* Patty Carlino extended the Board's thanks to Peter and the Committee for all their work on Founder's Weekend.

Small Scale Initiatives Grant - *Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board members voted unanimously to accept the \$750.00 Small Scale Initiatives Grant and to authorize the Chair to sign the contract.*

Berkshire Gas Permits - *Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board members voted unanimously to grant permits to the Berkshire Gas Company to install new gas services to the following: 1) 35 Navin Avenue and 2) 98 High Street.*

Temporary Sign Permit - *Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board members voted unanimously to grant a Temporary Sign Permit to Liliana Bermudez/Festival Latino of the Berkshires (nunc pro tunc – Sept. 25, 2018).* The Board did request, however, that Ms. Bermudez be notified that next year a properly submitted Temporary Sign Permit

would have to be presented to the Select Board and approved in a timely manner prior to Founder's Weekend.

Artwork (mural for Town Hall) – The Board members reviewed a letter from our Town Clerk, Brand Page, which read as follows: *“I think the large wall as you come up the stairs (first floor) would be a great place for artwork. I was wondering if the Select Board and the Town would be interested in reaching out to the art department at the High School and inviting students to submit ideas for a mural. The subject matter being about the Town and/or Town History.”* The Board members discussed this with CAO, Christopher Ketchen and they all agreed that this seemed like a good idea and would look into this and the logistics of the placement of said mural.

**4. Pending Business:**

- a. 2018 – Mini-Site Collection – Saturday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> – 8:30 AM – 10:30 AM – Lenox Dept. of Public Works.

**5. Chief Administrative Officer:**

- a. At the recommendation of Fire Chief, Ryan Brown, CAO Christopher Ketchen appointed Katie Sobon to a full time Firefighter/Paramedic and *upon a motion duly made and seconded the Board members voted unanimously to accept the recommendation of Chief Brown.*

**6. Public Comments:**

Kathy Hall came before the Board and wanted to acknowledge everyone who put up money for the playgrounds (Finance Committee/Capital Outlay/Representatives-Taxpayers, etc.).

Patty Carlino stated that her and Peg Biron visited the new Busy Bee Day Care at the Berkshire Sterile building on Pleasant Street. She said they were amazed at the place. She commended that on a great move and wishes them great success. Congratulations!

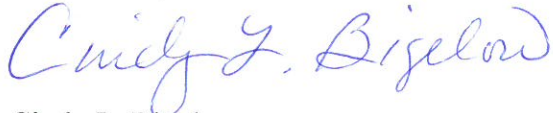
Kathy Hall commented that the townspeople are enjoying the new playgrounds; that the fire truck at the South Lee playground is very popular. She extended thanks to the generosity of the town and all who helped with spreading compost, mulch, painting, etc.

Kathy also commented that the fireworks at Founders Weekend were spectacular and thanked Tom Wickham for the fireworks and Tom commented that the town support is critical.

Dave Consolati thanked everyone involved in Founder's Weekend. It was the biggest ever. There were over 4,000 in attendance on Friday for the “Taste of Lee” and approximately 1,200 in attendance on Saturday. Founder's Weekend is getting bigger every year and Dave thanked the DPW for all their work. He also stated that the events at the Athletic Field were greatly attended (face painting, Terry Al A Berry, the climbing wall, etc.)

7. **Next Regular Meeting:** Our next regular meeting is scheduled for October 2, 2018 at 7:00 PM.
8. **Motion to Adjourn:** *By a motion duly made and seconded the Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 PM.*

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy L. Bigelow,  
Administrative Assistant

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