Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF MEETING – April 2, 2019

Present: Patricia D. Carlino, Chair, David Consolati and Thomas P. Wickham, 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 March 19, 2019.
- 2. Public Hearings: None.
- 3. General Business: a) Rain City Farming, LLC Host Community Agreement Preston Maki came before the Board to ask the Board to sign the Host Community Agreement as prepared by Town Counsel, Jeremia Pollard. He explained that they had their Community Outreach Meeting in February and ready to move forward to prepare for the hearing. He stated that they will submit their site Plan and will have it finalized with the Planning Board. Selectman Consolati stated that he has some reservations due to the fact that that that they have been listed on the last two agendas and were a no-show. Mr. Maki replied that there has been an ongoing communication problem with the Selectmen's office and their secretary. David replied that they need to show due diligence, have their packets ready for the hearing and call our office if you have a problem. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board members voted unanimously to sign the Host Community Agreement between the Town and Rain City Farming.
 - b) <u>Proposed Solar Bylaw</u> The Board stated that they have received a copy of the Proposed Solar Bylaw from the Planning Board and it will be on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. *Upon a motion duly made and seconded the Board members voted unanimously to accept the proposed zoning by law as presented.*
 - c) <u>Berkshire Gas Permit</u> *Upon a motion duly made and seconded the Board members voted unanimously (nunc pro tunc) to grant a permit to Berkshire Gas Company to replace an existing gas service at 14 Park Place.*
 - d) <u>Appointment</u> The Board received a letter from Gordon Baily requesting to be appointed as an Alternate Member of the Planning Board. *Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board members voted unanimously to appoint Gordon Bailey as an alternate member of the Planning Board.*

- 4. Pending Business: None
- 5. **Chief Administrative Officer:** a) FY 2019 Revenue and Expense Reports for the period ended March 31, 2019 CAO, Christopher Ketchen informed the Board members that the FY 2019 Revenue and Expense Reports are available in the Selectmen's office for their review.
- b) Chief Administrative Officer's recommended FY 2020 Operating & Capital Budgets -
- c) Review Draft List of Annual Town Meeting Warrant Articles CAO, Christopher Ketchen presented a draft list of 29 Articles as read as the meeting.
- 6. **Public Comments:** Mohammed Zabian came before the Board to ask the Selectmen if there was any information on the Price Chopper property project and how they feel about it. The Chair, Patty Carlino stated that it is an exciting project and the final plans would be presented at the April 22nd Planning Board meeting. The current zoning bylaw needs to be amended to allow the project prior to the Special Permit process. Mr. Zabian asked if there are other alternatives or other people trying to get involved. He stated that he feels the proposal is too big for Lee and a project that big and modern is "not for us". Patty instructed Mr. Zabian to follow the Planning Board to keep himself informed.
- 7. **Next Regular Meeting:** The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 16, 2019 at 7:00 PM.
- 8. **Motion to Adjourn:** Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy L. Bigelow,

Secretary to the Board of Selectmen

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