

APPROVED ON 3/18/14

Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING – MARCH 4, 2014

Present: Gordon D. Bailey, Chairman, Patricia D. Carlino and David Consolati, Board of Selectmen, Robert Nason, Town Administrator.

The Chair, Gordon Bailey, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Public Minutes of February 18, 2014 and the Executive Session Minutes of February 4, 2014.*
2. **Public Hearing:** Lee Package Store – All Alcohol – Change of Location Hearing – Jim Finnegan, owner of the Lee Package Store and his attorney, Don Hunter, came before the Board to discuss the change in the location of the store from 21 Park Street to 10 Old Pleasant Street. Chairman, Gordon Bailey stated that it reads 3,000 square feet of space at 10 Old Pleasant Street to which Jim Finnegan confirmed that was correct. David Consolati asked about the fact that it stated only one restroom and Gordon asked if there would be any public restrooms. Jim stated that the building would be per code by the leaseholder. When asked when he expected to move into the new building, Jim stated that he would hope to move in as soon as the change in location is granted. When asked if he would still be accepting returnables, Jim stated that he would. *The Board members voted unanimously to grant the Form 43 – Change of Location pending the approval of the ABCC.*
3. **General Business:** Passenger Rail Station Location and Design Study – Brian Domina from Berkshire Regional Planning Commission (BRCP) came before the Board to receive feedback on the question of where in Lee we would like to see a passenger rail station. He explained that the feedback provided will help the BRCP staff in identifying potential sites for a passenger rail station. BRCP has identified six target areas in ranking order for the Town of Lee; namely, a) Downtown, b) West Park Street to Turnpike, c) Route 102, d) Columbia Street, e) Turnpike to Pleasant Street, f) Greylock Street to Lee/Lenox Line. Mr. Domina stated that Lee looks good for a passenger rail station because of its connectivity to the turnpike. Mr. Domina also stated that they are looking for people to go on-line to give their feedback, stating that thus far, the feedback has been extremely positive. Patty Carlino stated that she personally is not against a rail station. Bill Navin came before the Board and stated that although it sounds easy, a traffic study would have to be done as we can't have a train coming through town the same time as Tanglewood traffic in the summer.

One Day Beer & Wine License – Fiddleheads Grille – 3/15/14 from 3:00 PM – 9:00 PM – *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a one day beer and wine license to Fiddleheads Grille @ Greenock on Saturday, March 15, 2014 from 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM for a St. Patrick's Day gathering.*

One Day Beer & Wine License – Fiddleheads Grille – 3/16/14 from 3:00 PM – 9:00 PM – *the Board members voted unanimously to grant a one day beer and wine license to Fiddleheads Grille @ Greenock on Sunday, March 16, 2014 from 3:00 PM – 9:00 PM for a "Soft Opening" to invite people to come in to sample the restaurant fare.*

Annual Entertainment License – Fiddleheads Grille - *The Board members voted unanimously to grant an Annual Entertainment License to Fiddleheads Grille @ Greenock with either live vocalists or disc jockey with 2 – 4 speakers, with dancing and for New Years' Eve after midnight entertainment.*

G4S MBI Fiber Optic Project, Main Street Conduit Dig – Mr. Nason presented a memo to the Board members from the DPW Board which stated, "at a recent DPW Board meeting, the Board vigorously object to the proposed utility work on Main Street by G4S during the late winter months. The Board wants no roadway excavation in Main Street until the frost is out of the ground in mid to late April, 2014" Mr. Nason proposed that the work not commence until Chris Pompei, Superintendent of Public Works, PE, gives his approval to start and Chris Rizzuto, from G4S stated that they would defer to Chris Pompei. Gordon Bailey stated that the work must be completed or left temporarily patched before the Memorial Day weekend. The Board Members and Chris Rizzuto were all in agreement as to defer any work on the project until they get the word from Chris Pompei that the frost is gone and they can proceed.

Federal Emergency Management Reimbursement (FEMA), \$30,013.01 – Mr. Nason stated to the Board members that we have received \$30,013.01 from FEMA for the February, 2013 Winter Storm. These funds have been deposited in the General Fund. Bob thanks, Superintendant Pompei and his team for their work on the Disaster Assistance Application.

One Day Beer & Wine License – Lee Sportsmen's Club – 3/29/14 from 4:00 PM – 11:00 PM – *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a one day beer and wine license to the Lee Sportsmen's Club at the Clubhouse on Saturday, March 29, 2014 from 4:00 PM – 11:00 PM for a fundraiser dinner.*

Toll Stop Drawing - The Board members were presented with the list for the 2014 Toll Stops. Four of last year's applicants that were not chosen were automatically given dates for this year, as follows:

April 19th – Lee High School Baseball / May 3rd – Troop 3-Lee Boy Scouts / May 24th – VFW / June 7th – Lee Boys Baseball. There were then three spots remaining and the results of the drawing were as follows: June 21st – Lee Middle and High School Band Parents Committee / Sept. 27th – Lee High Volley Ball Team / Oct. 18th – Lee Youth Baseball. The three remaining applicants; G. Marconi Lodge #1620 (Sons of Italy), Lee Lions Club and the Lee Youth Association are guaranteed spots for next year's Toll Stop.

Capital Outlay – Mr. Nason presented the following candidates for appointment to the Capital Outlay Committee: District 1 – Dan Courchaine / District 2 – Nelson Daley, Sr. / District 3 – Kathleen Bort / District 4 – Steven Cozzaglio / District 5 – Deidre Consolati / District 6 – Dorothy Fraser / Finance Committee – Edward Finnegan / Planning Board – Tom Wickham / Board of Assessors – Anthony Caropreso. *The Board members voted unanimously to appoint these candidates to the Capital Outlay Committee.* Mr. Nason stated that the Capital Outlay's first meeting will be Monday, March 10th and the second meeting will be Monday, March 17th.

4. **Pending Business:** None

5. **Town Administrator:** FY 2014 Revenue and Expense Reports through February 28, 2014 - Mr. Nason stated that the reports are available on the Selectmen's work table.

FY 2015 Operating Budget, Preliminary Requests – Mr. Nason presented a copy of the FY 2015 Operating Budget, Preliminary Requests to the Board members for their review stating that this document records the requests as received to date. Mr. Nason stated the he had not prepared the impact statement and the next meeting of the Finance Committee is Wednesday, March 5th at 6:00 PM as posted.

Founders Weekend – Mr. Nason presented to the Board members a request from Jay Collins to use the Town Gazebo and the area surrounding it on Saturday, September 20, 2014 (Founders Weekend) from approximately Noon to 5:00 PM for their first ever Big Green Egg Burger Bash. This event would take place right after the parade to host a burger completion in which some of our local restaurants will compete against each other for the title of "Best Burger in Town". He is also hoping to have a People's Choice Award as part of this event where spectators would pay to go to a burger sampling with all the proceeds being donated to the Lee Kiwanis Club. Mr. Collins has the support of Joe Furgal of the Lee Chamber in an effort to add a little something different and exciting to the Founders Day Festivities. The event has also been cleared with the Department of Public Works. The Board members unanimously agreed that this sounds like a good idea.

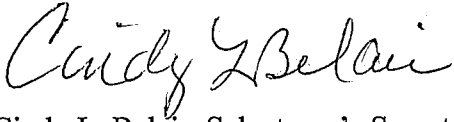
6. **Public Comments:** None

7. **Next Regular Meeting:** Our next regular meeting will be March 18, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom.

David Consolati sent out congratulations to all the Lee sports teams and the parents for their support.

8. **Motion to Adjourn:** *The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the public session of the meeting at 7:55 PM.*

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cindy L. Belair".

Cindy L. Belair, Selectmen's Secretary

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