

APPROVED ON 1/4/22

Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES OF MEETING – December 21, 2021

Present: By ZOOM: Patty Carlino, Chair, Sean Regnier, Board of Selectmen.
Absent: Bob Jones

Christopher Brittain, Interim Chief Administrative Officer (CAO).

Chairperson, Patty Carlino called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, stating that pursuant to the Open Meeting Law, this is an audio recording with a roll call vote of members present by ZOOM.

<i>Patty Carlino</i>	<i>here</i>
<i>Sean Regnier</i>	<i>here</i>

1. **Approval of Minutes:** *Upon a motion duly made and seconded and by roll call vote, the Board members voted unanimously to approve the minutes of December 7, 2021.*

<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>
<i>Patty Carlino</i>	<i>none</i>
<i>Sean Regnier</i>	

2. **Public Hearings:** None.

3. **Public Comments:** None

Patty stated to the Board that since Bob Jones was unable to make the meeting that there were a couple of items that they should table until our next meeting, as both items are items that Bob is interested in and in fairness he should be in attendance to vote. All parties (Patty Carlino, Sean Regnier, SelectBoard members and Interim Town Administrator, Christopher Brittain) agreed that they would table a couple of items until our next meeting.

4. **General Business:** a) Fire Company – 1 Day Beer & Wine License – Annual Christmas Party - After review of the application and a brief discussion, *and upon a motion duly made and seconded and by roll call vote, the Board members voted unanimously to approve and grant to the Lee Fire Company a One Day Beer & Wine License for their annual Christmas Party on January 8, 2022 from 12:00 (noon) until 8:00 PM.*

AYES

NAYS

Patty Carlino
Sean Regnier

none

b) Fire Department Appointment -Tiffany Hartlage - Upon a motion duly made and seconded, and by a roll call vote, the Board members voted unanimously to support the recommendation of Fire Chief Brown and appoint, Tiffany Hartlage (currently employed part-time) to the position of Full-Time Firefighter/EMT.

AYES

NAYS

Patty Carlino
Sean Regnier

none

c) Hawker & Peddler License – Trinity Solar/Tiffany M. Avango - For the second meeting in a row, Ms. Avango has failed to appear at the Selectmen Meeting. This item will be tabled until we can investigate as to why she is a no-show.

d) Conservation Appointments - This item will be tabled until our next meeting.

e) Appointment – Matt Kollmer – Building Commissioner - Upon a motion duly made and seconded and by a roll call vote, the Board members voted unanimously to support the recommendation of Christopher Brittain and Christopher Ketchen and appoint Matt Kollmer to the position of Shared Building Commissioner for the Towns of Lee and Lenox.

AYES

NAYS

Patty Carlino
Sean Regnier

none

f) Appointment – Timothy Goodchild – Police Department Patrolman - Upon a motion duly made and seconded and by a roll call vote, the Board members voted unanimously to support the recommendation of Chief Desantis and appoint Timothy Goodchild to the position of Police Department Patrolman.

g) Misc. Yearly License Renewals – Upon a motion duly made and seconded and by a roll call vote, the Board members voted unanimously to approve the following list of town licenses for Calendar Year 2022:

COMMON VICTUALER LICENSES

Rose's Restaurant (160 Housatonic St.)

Papa Gino's (370 Stockbridge Rd.)

D'Angelo's (370 Stockbridge Rd.)

Panda Garden (95 Main St.)

New Belden Tavern (2130 Cape St.)
Prado's (85 Main St.)
Vivaldi's Pizza (33 Park St.)
Park Street Donuts, LLC. d/b/a Dunkin

Red Apple (23 Park St.)
Big Y Express (320 Housatonic St.)
Big Y (10 Pleasant St.)
Lucky's Ice Cream (30 W. Center St.)

INNKEEPER LICENSES

Applegate Inn (279 West Park St.)
Devonfield (85 Stockbridge Rd.)

CLASS II & CLASS III LICENSES

Schmidt Motors d/b/a Euro Motors, LLC (785 Pleasant St.)	PSR Auto Sales (30 Runway)
R.W.'s Inc. (35 Runway)	Fraser's Auto Sales (139 W. Park)
Drake's Auto Parts (987 Meadow St.)	
Drake's Used Cars (987-7 Meadow St.)	

TAXI & LIMOUSINE LICENSES

Abbott's Limousine & Livery Service, Inc. (435 Greylock St.)

h) Berkshire County Fire Chief's Assoc.-Mutual Aid Agreement - After a brief discussion and upon a motion duly made and seconded and by a roll call vote, the Board members voted unanimously to sign the Berkshire County Fire Chief's Association-Mutual Aid Agreement and return to Fire Chief Brown.

AYES

NAYS

Patty Carlino
Sean Regnier

none

i) Berkshire Regional Planning Commission- Master Plan Contract Proposal - This item will be tabled until our next meeting.

j) Appalachian Trail Community Discussion - Patty Carlino, Chair introduced this discussion which was spearheaded by Debbie Cranwell to propose that we appoint a committee to help engage

with the Appalachian Trail Community hikers. Sean offered that he is interested in the committee. Patty asked Interim Town Administrator Chris Brittain if he would put this on our town website and we can perhaps begin the process. She explained that she has heard it takes a year or more to get approved. The Board members formally agreed that they would begin the process. Patty added to the discussion that the Appalachian Trail emphasizes on having an educator and having a teacher be a part of the community discussion and she will notify the school.

k) Kathy Hall – Updates - Kathy came before the Board with an update on the skating rink. She said that it is coming along and needs perhaps a couple more weeks to completely freeze over. She will notify when it is ready. She also thanked everyone for giving their time and help in this endeavor. Namely: The DPW, Fire Dept. the volunteers as follows: Phil Hall, Senior, Joe Tervigni, Ron Lovato, Jake Purcell, Jimmy Purcell, Chris Maguire, Mike Kline, Aaron Aubin, Maguire Roosa, Carolyn Maloney, Cooper Maloney, Ariana Hall, Todd Palmer, Chief Brown, Peter Brown, Matt Fenton, Cory Garrity, Mike Kelly, Rob Maloney, Glen Wilcox, Janet Warner and Kathy Hall. Kathy said the rink looks great and hopefully it will be ready by school break.

Kathy has also been in touch with BerryDunn regarding the “Proposed” Community Center and they are still wrapping up the marketing analysis. They are looking at other communities with similar things that we’re looking for in the area of 10 – 60 miles from Lee. The financial feasibility study is ready and a draft should reach us sometime in mid January and it will be presented and explained to the Select Board at a meeting.

The Board discussed staying with ZOOM meetings for the foreseeable future and everyone was on the same page regarding keeping things safe for the time being, at least through the month of January as both meeting dates in January have hearings scheduled and the postings must match the form of meeting.

5. **Pending Business:** None

6. **Town Administrator:** Chris Brittain came forward with some updates on the holiday schedule for Town Hall. The Town Hall will be close at Noon on the Dec. 23rd and will be closed for the entire day on Dec. 24th. Town Hall will also be closed on the 31st for the New Year’s Holiday.

In early 2022, the Board will be presented with a new staff handbook, a draft for Boards and Committees. A draft RFP for a public safety feasibility which will be funded by the Cannabis funds.

A first phase of the ARPA spending plan will come out in early 2022.

Patty Carlino extended Best wishes from the Board to Bob and his family. She also wishes everyone a safe and Happy New Year! (Hopefully 2022 will be better than 2021)

7. **Next Regular Meeting:** Our next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 7:00 PM. at 7:00 PM.

8. **Motion to Adjourn:** *Upon a motion duly made and seconded and by roll call vote, the Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM.*

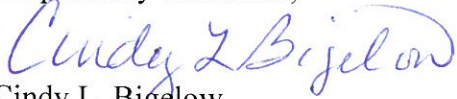
AYES

NAYS

*Patty Carlino
Sean Regnier
Bob Jones*

none

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy L. Bigelow,
Administrative Assistant

Notice of Website Posting Sent to:

Board of Selectmen
Town Administrator
Town Clerk
Town Collector
Planning Board

Board of Assessors
Board of Health
Conservation Commission
Police Chief
Building Inspector

Dept. of Public Works
Town Treasurer
Town Reps. District Chair
Superintendent of Schools
Town Accountant