Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF MEETING – September 2, 2014

Present: Patricia D. Carlino and Thomas Wickham, Board of Selectmen and Robert Nason, Town Administrator.

Absent: David Consolati, Chairman

Select Board member, Patricia D. Carlino, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

- 1. **Approval of Minutes:** The Board members tabled the approval of the August 19, 2014 meeting as they were not ready at the time of the meeting.
- 2. Public Hearing: None.
- 3. General Business: Willow Street Bridge Repairs Chris Pompi came before the Board with Northern Construction Service's Change Order #1 for bridge repainting in the amount of \$0.00 as this change order is for Time Extension only. Patty Carlino asked if their painter was prequalified and Chris replied that the 'yet to be' subcontracted painter must be prequalified. The Board members voted unanimously to accept the Chance Order #1 providing that the painter is prequalified as a Mass DOT painter.

Winter Rapid Road Recovery Program - Chris Pompi came before the Board to request that the Board rescind the July 15, 2014 reprogramming of the \$44,486 grant to pay for the Devon Road Culvert Emergency Repairs and revert back to the original request. The Board members voted unanimously to rescind the July 15, 2014 reprogramming of the \$44,486 grant to pay for the Devon Road Culvert Emergency Repairs and to revert back to the original request to use the funds to purchase a roller and trailer, to fill potholes and to the extent that there are remaining funds available, to crack seal.

<u>Crack Sealing</u> - Chris Pompi presented to the Board members the Agreement with Crack Sealing, Inc. procured through the Berkshire Regional Group Purchasing Program. *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Agreement with Crack Sealing, Inc. in the amount of \$8.63/gallon; not to exceed \$25,000.00.*

Heating Oil - Mr. Nason reported that at the end of August the Berkshire Regional Group Purchasing Program accepted Lipton Energy's FY 2015 prices for heating oil deliverd in South county. Based on the FY 2013 − FY 2014 average usage at the Fire Stations and Wastewater Treatment Plant, Mr. Nason reported that the Town was committed to purchase a total of 7,650 gallons and could purchase up to 9,000 gallons at the fixed prices of \$3.2586 for ≤ 1,000 gallons,

\$3,2386 for 1,001 to 2,500 gallons and \$3.2386 for >2,500. The Board members voted unanimously to purchase the FY 2015 heating oil from Lipton Energy at the prices presented.

<u>Cleanup Plan for the Housatonic River "Rest of River"</u> - The EPA will hold a public hearing on the Draft Permit Modification on September 23, 2014 at 6:30 PM at the Lenox Memorial Middle and High School (Duffin Theatre). At the public hearing any person may submit oral or written statements and data concerning the draft permit. Mr. Nason stated that the Draft and report is on our Town of Lee website. We are working on a letter to the EPA. Permit Modification

<u>Desposito's Utilities, Inc. (Time Warner Cable)</u> - The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Utility Cut Permit for 75 Via Maria for the installation of cable television service

<u>Berkshire Gas Permits</u> - The Board members voted unanimously to approve the permits for installation of new gas service at 290 East St. and 290 East Street barn apartment and for 100 Main Street (Library).

One Day Wine License – The Board members voted unanimously to grant a One Day Wine License to the Good Purpose Gallery/CIP for a wine and cheese reception for the parent's weekend on September 19, 2014 at the Good Purpose Gallery from $4:00 \ PM - 7:00 \ PM$.

4. Pending Business:

- a. 2014 Mini-Site Collections Tuesday, September 9, 2014 4:30 PM 6:30 PM Lenox Dept. of Public Works
- b. Farmers Market Every Thursday through September 18 2:00 PM 6:00 PM in the Park.
- c. The Council on Aging would like to hand down the Boston Post Cane to Lea Zavattaro who is the eldest citizen in town. They would like people to come and celebrate with them on Tuesday, September 9th 2014 at 3:00 PM at the Council on Aging office. There will be light refreshments and Lea will have a special recognition.
- 5. **Town Administrator:** a. <u>Ambulance Service Acting Training Director Appointment</u> Mr. Nason announced his appointment, per the recommendation of Lisa Michaud, Ambulance Director, of Mark Brooks of North Adams, MA as Acting Training Director. He will be fully qualified shortly and will receive an annual stipend. *The Board members voted unanimously to accept the appointment of Mark Brooks as Acting Training Director for the ambulance service*
 - Mr. Nason presented the FY 2016 Budget and Town Meeting Preparation Schedule to the Board members for their review which will be on the next agenda for formal consideration.
 - Mr. Nason announced to the Board members that the bids for the 25 School Street demolition are due on September 11th.
 - b. <u>FY 2015 Revenue & Expense Reports through August 31, 2014</u> Mr. Nason stated that the Revenue & Expense Reports through August 31, 2014 are available on the Selectmen's work table.

6. Public Comments: None.

Patty Carlino, on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, brought the issue of the Main Street flowers being taken down this week, even the majority of them still look good. The reason for this is that the Chamber has run out of money to pay someone to water them. Patty is requesting that Mr. Nason go before the Finance Committee to ask for money to pay someone to attend to the flowers in order to extend their time through Founder's Weekend. The Board members voted unanimously to direct Mr. Nason to go to the Finance Committee to request funds to be transferred from the Reserve Fund to extend the caretaking of the flowers.

Tom Wickham reminded everyone that school has started and for people to be aware and take care to watch for children and school busses.

- 7. Next Regular Meeting: Our next regular meeting will be September 16, 2014 at 7:00 PM in the Courtroom.
- 8. **Motion to Adjourn:** The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the public session of the meeting at 7:42 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy L. Belair,

Selectmen's Secretary

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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 Chairmen Superintendent of Schools

Town Accountant