Board of Selectmen - Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF MEETING – January 20, 2015

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

Chairman, David Consolati, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded and unanimously approved the members voted to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation strategy, because deliberating in open session would have a detrimental effect. The roll call vote was as follows:

AYES

NAYS

David Consolati Patricia Carlino Thomas Wickham None

The Chair announced that the members expected to return to open Session at 7:00 PM and they did.

- 1. Approval of Minutes: The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Public Minutes of the Meeting of January 6, 2015.
- 2. Public Hearing: None.
- 3. General Business: Jerry Miller/Christopher Johnson Town of Tyringham Forest Street discussion Jerry Miller and Christopher Johnson, town of Tyringham Selectmen, came before the Board to discuss the condition of Forest Street from Tyringham into Lee. The biggest problem, they claimed, is the drainage and runoffs, which create ice flows in the winter. Then in the summer a road sweeper was needed to clear the road of the gravel and the guardrails are also in disrepair. It is a steep road with a bad pitch and the school bus travels the road several times a day. The road hasn't been touched in 34 years and they are very concerned. The repairs to Forest Street, which were #2 on the list are still in a holding pattern due to the cost overruns on the Tyringham Road project. At this point, Chris Pompi, PE, Superintendent of Public Works, stated that we have to wait out the season. Chris explained that their plan is to repair 4,000 feet down and it will cost approximately \$500,000 to do from the Tyringham line to Mountain Mill. Mr. Miller stated that they would like to the road to receive a little more attention. Chairman Consolati addressed Mr. Miller and Mr. Johnson, stating "Don't assume me forgot about Forest Street, we did not".

<u>Chapter 90 Local Transportation Aid Funding</u> - The Board members reviewed the letter from the Office of the Governor informing us that the Chapter 90 local transportation aid funding for the Fisal

Year 2015 has increased from \$200 million to \$300 million statewide. The Town of Lee's Chapter 90 apportionment for FY 2015 has been increased by \$148,285 or from \$296,572 to \$444,857. and this apportionment will automatically be incorporated into the existing 10-Year Chapter 90 contract.

<u>Board of Public Works (BPW) Appointments</u> - The members of the Select Board voted unanimously to approve the following BPW appointments:

Re-Appointments:

Robert Bartini, David Forrest and Roger Scheurer

(2 Year Terms)

New Appointments:

Peter Scolforo, Jonathan Terry, Donald Zukowski (2 yr. term)

(1 Yr. Terms, except

and Gordon Bailey

as noted)

Two holdover members declined reappointment: Nelson Daley, Jr. and Peter John

David Consolati extended the Board's thanks to Monica Ryan and Bill Enser for their service.

Bill Navin came before the Board and asked what happened to the Board of Public Works Enabling Act (1970). Patty Carlino explained that the Selectmen-Town Administrator Form of Government (1990) supersedes the Enabling Act.

Ambulance Billing Service Award — On December 15, 2014 we invited bids from five qualified providers to process bills and collect payments for services provided by the Town of Lee's Ambulance Service. On January 8, 2015 we received four bids, the two lowest of which were tied at four percent (4%) of the collected fees for each year of the offered three year agreement. The tie breaker procedure contained in the Invitation to Bid states that the two, tied, lowest bidders must submit sealed, tiebreaker bids which will be publicly opened and read aloud at 2:00 pm on Thursday, January 29, 2015. In the event the tiebreaker bids are still tied, the winner will be determined through a publicly tossed coin immediately following the tie breaker bid opening.

- (2) One Day Beer & Wine Licenses Good Purpose Gallery The Board members voted unanimously to approve two 1 day Beer & Wine Licenses for the Good Purpose Gallery for Monday, Feb. 2, 2015 from 6:30-10:00 PM Art Gallery for spoken word, poetry/open mic night and for Saturday, Feb. 14, 2015 from 5:00 PM 12:00 PM Art Gallery for a Valentine's Day Celebration Dinner.
- (2) One Day Beer & Wine Licenses Lee Sportsmen's Association The Board members voted unanimously to approve two 1 day Beer & Wine Licenses for the Lee Sportsmen's Association for Sunday Jan. 25, 2014 from $3:00\ PM-11:00\ PM$ for a Fund Raising Dinner and for Sunday, February 8, 2015 from $3:00\ PM-11:00\ PM$ for an Ice Fishing Derby Dinner.
- <u>ABCC Population Estimates for Seasonal Licenses in 2015</u> The Board members voted unanimously to approve the population estimate of 5,778 as of July 10, 2015 to be submitted to the ABCC to establish a quota of seasonal package goods stores.

<u>Announcement – Road Toll Applications</u> - Chairman Consolati read the following announcement: "Applications for the 2015 Toll Stops are available in the Selectmen's office. The applications must be filled out completely and received back in the month of February. At the first Selectmen Meeting of March, the drawing for the available dates will be held. Notification of your toll stop will be sent to those who were selected and those not selected this year will be notified that they are ensured of a date next year".

4. Pending Business:

a. Planning Board Special Permit Hearing – Monday, February 9, 2015 at 6:15 PM on an application of Harold Sherman for approval of a Special permit under Section 199-6.1 to reconstruct a garage that was destroyed by a vehicle crash.

b. Planning Board – Hearing – Monday, March 9, 2015 at 6:15 on the application of Matthew D.

Carlino & Jennifer M. Carlino, for approval of a Preliminary Subdivision Plan.

5. Town Administrator:

The Board members voted unanimously to approve Mr. Nason's appointments as recommended by Ambulance Service Director, Lisa Michaud, of the following volunteers/occasionally paid Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT):

Erik Davidson — EMT-Paramedic Shannon Regan — EMT-Paramedic Juli Taylor — EMT-Intermediate Shane Boudreau — EMT-Basic.

- 6. Public Comments: Bill Navin came before the Board to discuss the Board of Public Works Meeting regarding the discussion of the sidewalk plow needing to be replaced. He recommend that the town lease or buy a Bobcat to use for that purpose. He also commented on the 2002 Ford Diesel Truck with a plow and a 9 foot body that is not being used. Mr. Nason stated that that truck is scheduled for disposition. Mr. Navin also suggested that the town hire a good mechanic to work on the town vehicles instead of taking the trucks elsewhere to be fixed.
- 7. Next Regular Meeting: The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 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 8:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy L. Belair,

Selectmen's Secretary

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Conservation Commission
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Town Treasurer
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Superintendent of Schools
Town Accountant