Board of Selectmen - Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MINUTES OF MEETING – June 23, 2015

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

Chair, Patricia 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:

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NAYS

Patricia Carlino David Consolati

None

Thomas Wickham

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

Chair Person, Patricia Carlino, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

- 1. Approval of Minutes: None.
- 2. Public Hearings: None.
- 3. General Business: Recycling Consulting Services, Center for ECO Technology (CET) Jamie Cahillane Jamie Cahillane came before the Board to discuss the 2014 2015 accomplishments of CET. He stated that the proposed FY 2016 fee in the amount of \$2,160.00 is the same as FY 2015. The hourly rate is increased from \$60.00 to \$65.00, but there is a three hour service reduction from 36 to 33 hours. The Board members voted Selectmen Meeting June 23, 2015

unanimously to accept CET's June 11th proposal and authorize the Chair to sign the agreement.

<u>Sustainable Materials Recovery Program – Small Scale Initiative Grant Application Update</u> - The application was authorized at our June 2, 2015 Select Board meeting. *The Board members voted unanimously to place on file, the application submitted by Jamie Cahillane.*

Valerie Bluhm announced they elected officers and Peter Hofman was elected Chair and Valerie is Vice Chair. She thanked everyone for their support.

Peter Hofman stated that they are trying to have one event per season and hope to expand communications. They will be recruiting new members and hope to collaborate with other organizations within the Town.

<u>Purchase of Sewer Division Truck with Plow</u> - Superintendent of Public Works, Chris Pompi, P.E. came before the Board with a revised contract for the Sewer Division Truck with Plow, which is \$603.00 less than the prior contract. Patty asked if these trucks came with warranties and Chris replied that they do. *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the M-H-Q contract for the F-250 Truck with Plow in the amount of \$33,771 and authorize the Chair to sign the contract.*

<u>Chapel Street Bridge over Greenwater Brook</u> – Chris Pompi stated that an announcement was sent to all the abutters from MassDOT stating that work would be done on the bridge. There is a town owned sewer line on the bridge and MassDOT and Chris are trying to figure out who actually owns the bridge as there are 3 – 4 houses across the bridge. Tom Wickham asked "How bad is the bridge" and Chris replied that it is "functionally obsolete". He also stated that at some point there will be no access for oil trucks, etc. to get to the houses.

<u>Winter Recovery Assistance Program</u> - Chris Pompi came before the Board to ask for the approval of the Winter Recovery Assistance Program Reimbursement Request of \$44,486 due on June 30th. The Board members voted unanimously to approve and sign the Request for MassDOT.

<u>Chapter 90 Project Request for Paving</u> - Chris Pompi presented the Chapter 90 Request for Paving's Environmental Punch Lists and the Project Request. He stated that he needs the request in before the opening of bids. The streets they are proposing to do are East Street, Greylock Street, High Street and a portion of Marble Street. They will also be doing some drainage work on Forest Street. In response to Patty's question about the amount of available funds, Chris replied that we had \$963,000.00 \pm (\$739,584 Chapter 90 Funds + \$224,161 Town Appropriations). He stated that he hopes the bids come in aggressive as he was reminded that \$200,000.00 of the appropriated funds needs to be held back as a contingency for the Tyringham Road project. *The Board members voted*

unanimously to accept the Chapter 90 Environmental Punch Lists and the Project Request in the amount of \$739,584.00 and to authorize the Chair to sign.

<u>Massachusetts Turnpike Fire & Ambulance Responder Agreement</u> - The Board members reviewed the Fire & Ambulance Responder Contract from MassDOT with the revisions to be initialed. The contract will be the same as our current contract wherein we bill a fee of \$200.00 per ambulance call. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the contract and authorize the Chair to sign in accordance with the fee schedule as revised.

<u>FFY 15 National Brownfields Program Grant Application</u> - We received notification from the Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization that our grant proposal was not selected because it did not score high enough on the ranking criteria established in the FY 15 Proposal Guidelines for Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Grants.

Berkshire Regional Transit Authority (BRTA) -Appointment of Lee Representative - The Board members voted unanimously to accept the appointment of Ronald Giancola as the Lee Representative to the BRTA.

<u>Selectmen Re-Appointments</u> - The Board members voted unanimously to appoint the one year re-appointments and the three year re-appointments as read. (See sheet attached).

<u>Selectmen New Appointment</u> – The Board members voted unanimously to appoint Kelly Koperek to the Lee Youth Commission.

<u>Entertainment License – Jazz Weekend</u> – The Board members voted unanimously to grant an Entertainment License to the Lee Chamber of Commerce for the Jazz Weekend on Friday, June 19hth – Sunday, June 21st.

<u>Utility Cut Permit</u> - The Board members voted unanimously to grant a Utility Cut Permit to Desposito's Utilities, Inc., for the installation of cable TV. at 105 Paul Drive.

<u>Sandwich Board Sign Permit</u> - The Board members voted unanimously to grant a Temporary Sandwich Board Sign Permit to Big Y.

<u>Berkshire Gas Permit</u> – The Board members voted unanimously to grant a permit to Berkshire Gas for the installation of new service at 246 Bradley Street.

4. Pending Business:

- a. 2015 Mini-Site Collections Tuesday, July 7th, 4:30 6:30 PM Lenox Dept. of Public Works
- b. 2015 Household Hazardous Waste Collections Saturday, July 25, 2015, 9:00 AM –

Noon – Stockbridge Recycling Center

c. Zoning Board of Appeals – Public Hearing Notice – Wednesday, July 8, 2015 – 7:00 PM - Application of AJT Realty Trust for a variance from the Town of Lee Zoning Bylaws 199-7.8B(e) & 5.1 A.

5. Town Administrator:

- a. Personnel Appointments Summer Seasonal At the recommendation of Chris Pompi, Mr. Nason appointed Aaron Coons to replace Lucas Withers as a seasonal highway groundskeeper. The Board members voted unanimously to approve the appointment. Lucas is taking a college internship with an engineering firm and the Board wished him well.
- b. Mr. Nason announced that he reached out to six farmers in the area regarding the haying of the Stockbridge Road Recreation Area and only one, Bob Bartini, was available and responded positively.
- 6. Public Comments: Tom Wickham thanked the citizens who came out to vote at the election.
- 7. Next Regular Meeting: The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, July 7, 2015 at 7:00 PM, in the Courtroom.
- 8. Motion to Adjourn: The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy L. Belgir,

Selectmen's Secretary

Notice of Website Posting Sent to:

Board of Selectmen

Board of Assessors

Dept. of Public Works

Town Administrator

Board of Health

Town Treasurer

Town Clerk

Conservation Commission

Town Reps. District Cha Chairmen

Town Collector

Police Chief

Superintendent of Schools

Planning Board

Building Inspector

Town Accountant