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Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES OF MEETING – August 4, 2015

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

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

1. **Approval of Minutes:** *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Public Session Minutes of July 21, 2015.*
2. **Public Hearings:** Seasonal Liquor License Application – Nicholas Parsenios, Attorney for Route 102 Package Store, came before the Board with their request for an All Alcohol Seasonal Liquor License. They currently hold a Beer & Wine Only Package Store License, and as the quota is filled for the All Alcohol Package Store licenses, they are requesting an all alcohol seasonal license. The seasonal license runs from April 1<sup>st</sup> through November 30<sup>th</sup> and at the Select Board's discretion this can be extended through April 15<sup>th</sup>. Attorney Parsenios asked the Board to consider the granting of an extension to January 15<sup>th</sup> as they probably will not get their final approval from the ABCC until sometime in September. *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a Seasonal All Alcohol Liquor License to Route 102 Package Store and to pro-rate the fee (based on the \$750.00 fee for a full yearly license) to an amount of \$600.00 for the period of April 1<sup>st</sup> through January 15<sup>th</sup>.*
3. **General Business:** Natural Gas Procurement Process – Mr. Nason came before the Board to explain the process for the procurement of Natural Gas. He stated that Lenox schools and municipalities have a contract with Lower Pioneer Valley Educational Collaborative (LPVEC) through Direct Energy and that contract expires October 31<sup>st</sup>. He has met with Stockbridge and Lenox to try to cultivate the Tri-Town collaborative by joining them in a contract. We will pick a date with LPVEC and Constellation New Energy and submit both individually and collectively based with a contract that guarantees capacity and at that time we will go with the best deal. Bob also discussed contracting for oil prices as

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we have three buildings that still use oil. We usually do a 3-5 year contract for oil. He will look into the fuel rates for winter and will report back.

ZBA - The Board members were presented with a resignation letter from Peter Bluhm. Mr. Bluhm is resigning from the Lee ZBA stating that his recent election to the Planning Board may present too many conflicts. The Board members thanked him for his time. The Select Board had received a request from a volunteer to be on the Lee ZBA which we will put off until our next meeting giving us time to advertise the slot and will make a decision at that time.

Berkshire Gas Permit – *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a permit to Berkshire Gas for the installation of new service at 115 Summer Street, pending the sign-off by Superintendent of Public Works, Chris Pompi, upon his return from vacation.*

#### 4. Pending Business:

- a. 2015 Mini-Site Collections – Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> – 8:30 – 11:00 AM – Great Barrington Recycling Center
- b. 2015 Household Hazardous Waste Collections – Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 AM – Noon - Great Barrington Recycling Center
- c. Planning Board – Public Hearing – Monday, August 10, 2015 at 6:15 PM on the application of Gary Johnson for approval of a Special Permit under Section 199-4 J(2) b & (3) an Industrial District of the Town of Lee Zoning Bylaw for operation of a fence installation company and outside storage of materials.
- d. Planning Board – Site Plan Review – Paul Digrigoli – Monday, August 10, 2015 at 7:00 PM
- e. Planning Board – Site Plan Review – Paul Davis Restoration – Monday, August 24, 2015 at 7:00 PM

#### 5. Town Administrator:

- a. Personnel Resignations – Mr. Nason announced that Rob Zerbato, DPW handed in his resignation as of August 12, 2015, as he has taken employment elsewhere. He will be missed by the department.

Mr. Nason announced that Police Officer, Timothy J. Kelly (T.J. Kelly) handed in his resignation as of August 2, 2015 as he has accepted a position in Connecticut. The Board wished him well.

Employment Opportunities – Mr. Nason announced that we are looking for a Building Inspector Clerk as Barb Thomson will be retiring at the end of August. We will be assessing applications with interviews on August 11<sup>th</sup>. Applications may be picked up in the Building Department.

We will be assessing applications for the position in the DPW of Truck Driver/Laborer on August 17<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Nason stated that he received a call from the Lee Sandy Beach Lifeguard Manager, Samantha Kate Brown, stating that Meghan Driscoll will be taking over the 20 hours of swim instructions at the Lake. Patty asked if the swimming lesson were on our Town of Lee website and Mr. Nason stated that we would look into doing that if it wasn't already there.

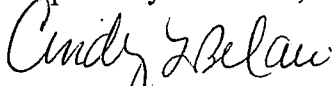
- b. FY 2016 Revenue and Expense Reports through July 31, 2015 - Mr. Nason stated that the FY 2016 Revenue and Expense Reports through July 31, 2015 are on the Selectmen's worktable for their review.

**6. Public Comments:** None.

**7. Next Regular Meeting:** The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, August 18, 2015 at 7:00 PM, in the Courtroom.

**8. Motion to Adjourn:** *The Board members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM.*

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy L. Belair,  
Selectmen's Secretary

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