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Board of Selectmen – Minutes of Meeting

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MINUTES OF MEETING – November 17, 2015

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

Chair, Patricia Carlino, 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
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.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** *The Board members voted unanimously to approve the Public Minutes of November 3, 2015.*
2. **Public Hearings:** None.
3. **General Business:** Temporary Sign Permits - *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a Temporary Sign Permit to Zabian’s Jewelers at 15 Main Street, and to grant a Temporary Sign Permit to Zabian’s Ltd. at 19 Main Street.*

Temporary Sign Permit – *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a 10 day Temporary Sign Permit to Snap Fitness.*

Utility Cut Permit - *The Board members voted unanimously to grant a utility cut permit to John's Tractor & Excavation Service for the installation of new sewer and water service at 125 Church Street.*

Personnel Board – *The Board members voted unanimously to support the re-appointment of Kathy Murphy to the Personnel Board.*

Cultural Council - *The Board members voted unanimously support the appointment of Dale Drimmer to the Lee Cultural Council.*

**4. Pending Business:**

- a. Zoning Board of Appeals – Appeal of the decision of Building Inspector – Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Planning Board Office
- b. Planning Board – Site Plan Review – Marion Missionaries of Divine Mercy – Monday, Dec. 14, 2015 at 6:15 PM.
- c. Zoning Board of Appeals – Special Permit for Lee Bank – Wednesday, December 30, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Planning Board Office
- d. District Representatives – Vacancies as follows: District One-one for one year. District Two-two for two years and one for one year. District Five-one for two years and one for one year. District Six-two for two years. District Three and Four are complete.
- e. Open Space & Recreation Plan Forum – Lee Town Hall – Monday, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

**5. Town Administrator:**

Mr. Nason announced that there are several employment opportunities available within the Town of Lee. We will be looking for a seasonal and a full time Truck Driver/Laborer. Also available are the positions of Building Inspector and Library Director.

At the recommendation of Superintendent of Public Works, Chris Pompei, P.E., and with the support of the Board members, Mr. Nason appointed Matt Larson to the position of Highway/Cemetery Division Supervisor to fill the vacancy left by Dennis Kelly. Matt has been a Town of Lee public works employee since 1997.

Also at the recommendation of Chris Pompei, Mr. Nason, with the support of the Board members appointed the most senior person, Jim Morawiec to the position of equipment operator vacated by Matt Larson.

*The Board members extended their congratulations to Matt Larson and voted unanimously to support Mr. Nason's appointment.*

Mr. Nason stated that the Library Director "help wanted" ad is out and we're waiting on responses.

6. **Public Comments:** A letter issued by Jeffrey D. Roosa, our police Chief was read by Patty Carlino regarding the Police Torch Run as follows: *"As you are aware, on Sunday November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015, the Lee Police Dept. hosted our second annual Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run event in downtown Lee. Again the event consisted of a 5K run and a 1 mile walk to benefit Special Olympic athletes in Berkshire County. The theme of this run and walk was the "Holiday Sweater Fun Run." Participants wore many different variations of holiday or "Ugly" sweaters while they ran and walked the course.*

*Once again this event would not have been possible without the numerous volunteer hours put in by members of the Lee Police Department and the surrounding area departments and their members, who came and manned traffic posts throughout the race course. Many local businesses also donated money and services, such as food and portable bathrooms for the runners and their families, making the event possible. With the help of the community, we were able to surpass last year's \$10,000 dollar mark and this year raised over \$12,000 dollars to benefit the Law Enforcement Torch Run charity, for Berkshire County Athletes.*

*I hope you will take the time to recognize this effort put in by our Berkshire County police community and especially our Lee Officers, for such a worthy event.*

7. **Next Regular Meeting:** The next regular meeting will be on Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 7:00 PM, in the Courtroom.

The Board members congratulated the Lee High Football Team and the Volleyball Team and wished them luck going forward.

The Board members also wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*Cindy L. Belair*

Cindy L. Belair,  
Selectmen's Secretary

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Town Treasurer  
Town Reps. District Cha Chairmen  
Superintendent of Schools  
Town Accountant