



Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Selectmen

Date: Wednesday, November 12, 2014
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: McCourt Social Hall, Memorial Town Hall, Spencer, MA
Present: Chair Pepe, Vice Chair Fritze, Clerk G. Woodbury, Members Stevens & C. Woodbury and Administrator Gaudette.

At 6:00 p.m. Chairman Pepe called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the Business Meeting of October 15th, 2014 and the Workshop of October 22nd (C. Woodbury/Fritze) passed 5/0.

Citizen Input

Sue Desrosiers, owner of a new business called the "Twisted Potter", announced she just opened a studio on Mechanic Street.

Communications

None

New Business

6:15 p.m. Public Hearing for Annual Licenses for Calendar Year 2014 Class II, Class III, and Gravel Permit Operations

Chairman Pepe opened the hearing at 6:15 p.m. He asked for public comment. No one came forward. The hearing was closed at 6:28 p.m.

Robert Moschini, owner of the Royal Crest Farm gravel operation, agreed to submit an annual report to the Planning Board, even if no activity takes place.

A motion to approve the following Gravel License renewals as described (G. Woodbury/ Fritze) passed 5/0.

- Bond Construction, Cranberry Meadow Road location, with the condition they comply with ZBA Permit Conditions; Bond Construction, North Spencer Road location; and the newly acquired Bond Construction East, formally known as David Vandale, with the condition they comply with the Town Planner and Conservation Commission recommendations
- Stan Kaitbenski with the condition they comply with Conservation Commission recommendations, and continue to provide a bond in the amount of \$20,000.00
- Robert Moschini, Royal Crest Farm LLC, with the condition they comply with the ZBA Permit Conditions
- William Casey Estates LLC, with the condition they comply with ZBA Permit Conditions and Conservation Order of Conditions
- Peter Zukas with the condition they comply with ZBA Permit and Conservation Order of Conditions
- Leo Aucoin with the condition that they comply with ZBA Permit and ODIS stipulations

A motion to approve the following Class II renewals (C.Woodbury/Fritze) passed 5/0.

- Brian's Auto
- Dennis' Auto Sales
- Easy Way Auto
- Main Street Auto Sales
- Hilltop Auto Sales
- Ronald Brown Auto Sales
- Ragsdale Auto, Inc.
- Small Car Clinic (16 Main Street)
- Small Car Clinic (322 Main Street)
- Spencer Motor Sales
- Straight Line Auto

A motion to approve the following Class III renewals (G. Woodbury/C. Woodbury) passed 5/0.

- Durgin's Valley Garage

There were no comments from the public. The hearing was closed at 6:28 p.m. All were in favor.

Annual License Renewals for Calendar Year 2014

A motion to approve the following Class I renewals (G. Woodbury/C. Woodbury) passed 5/0.

- Ahearn Equipment, Inc.
- Klem Tractor, Inc.
- Barnstorm Cycles

A motion to approve the following Alcohol License renewals (C. Woodbury/Fritze) passed 5/0.

- Black & White Pizzeria & Grill
- Charlie's Diner
- Chef Sau
- Either's Cafe
- Spencer Country Inn
- Zukas Hilltop Barn
- Country Spirits
- Liquor Barn/Mayank LLC
- Spencer Package Store
- Laney's Variety
- Xtra Mart
- American Legion
- Spencer Fish & Game

A motion to approve the following Alcohol License renewals contingent upon the receipt of a Certificate of Inspection (G. Woodbury/ Fritze) passed 5/0.

- Bayberry Bowling
- Granville's Pub, Inc.
- Kaboodles
- Knights of Columbus
- Mexicali Grille
- Yamato Asian Bistro

A motion to approve the following Common Victullaer License renewals (G. Woodbury/C. Woodbury) passed 5/0.

- Big Y Foods
- Camp Marshall
- Cumberland Farms
- Dairy Queen
- Dippin' Donuts
- D & S Diner
- Edible Arrangements
- Five Loaves Bakery
- Hess Express
- John's Pizza
- Kosta's Café
- Lincoln Hill Manor
- Maxi's Fun Food
- McDonald's
- Pizza Hut
- Price Chopper
- Red Maple Inn
- Spencer Donuts East Main
- Spencer Donuts West Main
- Spencer Pizza House
- Spencer Produce & Deli (Kenwood Diner)
- Subway
- Thibault's Country Store
- Two Chefs
- Toupin's Catering
- Village Pizza
- Cistercian Abbey of Spencer
- First Congregational Church
- Mary, Queen of the Rosary
- United Methodist Church
- St. Joseph Abbey Guest House
- American Legion
- Black & White
- Xtra Mart
- Ethier's Café
- Kaboodle's
- Knights of Columbus
- Mexicali Grille
- New Fortunes, d/b/a Chef Sau
- Spencer Country Inn
- Spencer Fish & Game
- Turner's Catering, d/b/a Charlie's Diner
- Zukas Hilltop Barn

A motion to approve the following Inn Keepers License renewals (C. Woodbury/Fritze) passed 5/0.

- The Red Maple Inn
- Spencer Country Inn
- Zukas Hilltop Barn

A motion to approve the following Amusement License renewals (C. Woodbury/Fritze) passed 5/0.

- Bayberry Bowling
- Richland Vending Industries (Price Chopper)
- Granville's Pub
- Ethier's Café

A motion to approve the following Entertainment License renewals (C. Woodbury/Fritze) passed 5/0.

- American Legion
- Bayberry Bowling Center
- Black & White
- New Fortunes d/b/a/ Chef Sau
- Granville's Pub
- Spencer Country Inn
- Spencer Fish & Game
- Chimichanga d/b/a/ Mexicali Grille
- Zukas Hilltop Barn

A motion to approve the following Junk Dealer License renewals (C. Woodbury/Stevens) passed 5/0

- Cormier Jewelers
- William Ekleberry, Jr.
- J & M Collectibles
- Thibault's Country Store
- Fantastic Finds

Administrator Gaudette noted that representatives for the two Lodging House, Lismorris and South Middlesex Non-Profit Housing Corporation (SMOC), will be asked to attend the December 10th meeting to discuss the concerns with the amount of disturbances. In the meantime, the Administrator will discuss details with Town Counsel.

Action Item: Approve 2:00 a.m. closing on New Year's Eve for establishments with pouring licenses

A motion to approve the 2:00 a.m. closing on New Year's Eve for establishments with pouring licenses (G. Woodbury/C. Woodbury) passed 5/0.

Action Item: Vote to extend Alcohol License hours for Bayberry Bowling from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Bernie Pelletier, owner of Bayberry Bowling would like to extend the hours his establishment is allowed to serve alcohol from 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. He pointed out there have been no issues or disturbances at his establishment. The Board agreed.

A motion to extend hours from 11:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. (G. Woodbury/Fritze) passed 5/0.

Old Business

Action Item – Vote to renew Employment Agreement for Fire Chief Robert Parsons

Mr. Gaudette noted the contract is in line with the Collective Bargaining agreement which was reviewed in the spring.

A motion to renew Employment Agreement for Fire Chief Robert Parsons (C. Woodbury/Fritze.) passed 5/0.

Town Administrator Report

Discussion: Failed Override Question to Restore Municipal Services

Mr. Gaudette reported that services will be eliminated through the remainder of FY15. The goal is to restore as much as possible in FY16, depending upon revenue and State aid.

Mr. Fritze noted it costs \$10,000 just to maintain and insure the former Maple St. School building. Mr. Woodbury suggested renting it out. Mr. Gaudette noted a RFP or long term lease needs to be drafted in order to avoid a tenant-landlord situation. Mr. Stevens asked if there was a way to fund the building as a senior center. Additional discussion will take place as the Board works to prioritize what to restore if revenue is available.

Discussion: Preparation for Special Town Meeting on November 13, 2014

Administrator Gaudette provided a final review of the warrant.

Board Liaison Reports

Mr. G. Woodbury noted that representatives from the Charter-Comcast merger should be asked to provide an explanation for changing the channel lineup. The Administrator will contact Tom Cohen to ask for an explanation.

Mr. Stevens attended a meeting at the South Central Chamber of Commerce where the Workforce Central program was discussed. He would like to invite the Director to a future meeting.

Mr. Pepe noted the RFP for Sugden is ready to be advertised.

Citizen input

Mr. Stevens said after thinking about how to help with the funding of lost services due to the failed override, he decided to make a donation to the Town based on what the increase in his taxes would have been if the override passed. He provided a check for \$150 to help restore funds for the Parks and Rec, Council on Aging, and Library, and encouraged property owners casting a "yes" vote to do the same.

Mr. Woodbury said he and Mr. Stevens had a great time at the Veterans Day Parade and dinner.

Mr. Pepe will be the Board's liaison to the new Veterans Memorial Advisory Committee.

Board Member and Staff Comments

December meeting dates will be on Wednesday, the 10th & 17th

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda Savoie

Administrative Assistant

Referenced Materials

2014 License renewal documents

Fire Chief Parsons employment agreement