## Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Selectmen

Date: September 10, 2018 – Business Meeting

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: McCourt Social Hall, Memorial Town Hall, Spencer, MA

Present: Chair Woodbury, Vice Chair Hicks, Clerk Berthiaume, Members Monette and Pepe (remotely), and Administrator Gregory

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

## **Announcement**

Any members that are participating remotely in accordance with Regulation 940, CMR 29.10 of the Open Meeting Law (A majority of Board members were in attendance, but no roll call votes were taken at this meeting.)

None

# Meeting Minutes: Vote to approve the Business Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2018

A motion to approve the Business Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2018 (Hicks/Monette) passed 4/0.

Mr. Monette noted a correction in the town wide yard sale. It is \$25 (not \$20) to place an ad. Dr. Hicks asked that we verify that the name of Delbe Spath of the Women's Institute was spelled correctly.

## **Citizen Input**

None

#### **New Business:**

Review & Act on Request from Barnstorm Cycles to change previously approved date of the Chopper Show on Wall St. from 9/15/18 from 12 pm to 7 pm to 9/22/18 from 12 pm to 11 pm

A motion to approve the Request of Barnstorm Cycles to change the date of the Chopper Show on Wall St. from 9/15/18 from 12 pm to 7 pm to 9/22/18 from 3 pm to 9 pm (Hicks/Monette) passed 4/0.

Review & Act on Request from Barnstorm Cycles to change previously approved One-day Alcohol License from 9/15/18 from 12 pm to 7 pm to 9/22/18 from 12 pm to 11 pm

A motion to approve the Request of Barnstorm Cycles to change the date of the One-day Alcohol License from 9/15/18 from 12 pm to 7 pm to 9/22/18 from 3 pm to 9 pm (Monette/Hicks) passed 4/0.

Review & Act on Request from Leicester-Spencer Eagles for Permission to Hold a Toll Booth at the Transfer Station and intersection of Route 31 North & Route 9 on Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> with a rain date of Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>

Scott Peterson (12 Briarcliff Lane) was present to speak about this event. Mr. Peterson added that 100% of funds were donated last year to the food pantry with matching funds from Spencer Cable Access.

A motion to approve the Request of the Leicester-Spencer Eagles to hold a Toll Booth (Hicks/Monette) passed 4/0.



### **Old Business**

#### **Landfill Solar Discussion**

Mr. Gregory referenced a one-page summary of Planning Board conditions of approval required for solar developments to be fully permitted in Spencer. A discussion ensued on this topic. Among other concerns, the Board expressed frustration that some solar developments have begun generating electricity before receiving a certificate of occupancy. A new condition (#38) has been added which give the Planning Board the ability to levy fines of up to \$300 per day in the event a solar development begins generating electricity before the issuance of a certificate of occupancy. Mr. Gregory also explained that there will be an item on the Board's September 24<sup>th</sup> agenda to discuss the details of the new Solar Bylaw Committee, its composition, charge, and next steps.

### Vote to Adopt the Policy for the Meritorious Service Award

A motion to adopt the newly drafted policy for the Meritorious Service Award (Hicks/Berthiaume) passed 4/0.

### Vote to Amend the Policy for the Leadership Hall Induction

A motion was made to amend the draft policy for the Leadership Hall Induction by inserting at the beginning the following sentence "At the first Board of Selectmen's meeting in February, the Chairman shall announce that nominations are being accepted for the Leadership Hall Induction and instruct the public to submit the names of nominees and the reason for nomination to the Administrator's Office within two weeks of the date of announcement." Said motion (Hicks/Monette) passed 4/0.

### Vote to Adopt the Policy for the Leadership Hall Induction

A motion to adopt the amended policy for the Leadership Hall Induction (Hicks/Monette) passed 4/0.

#### **Town Administrator's Report**

## Vote to set Fall Special Town Meeting Date for November 15, 2018

A motion to set the Fall Special Town Meeting date for November 15, 2018 (Hicks/Monette) passed 4/0.

### **Vote to Open Fall Special Town Meeting Warrant**

A motion to open the Fall Special Town Meeting Warrant (Hicks/Monette) passed 4/0.

### **Review Fall Special Town Meeting Calendar**

Referencing the 2018 Fall Special Town Meeting and FY2019 Tax Classification Calendar, Mr. Gregory highlighted the important upcoming dates leading to the Special Town Meeting.

#### **Board Liaison Reports**

Mr. Monette announced that the Town-wide yard sale will take place on September 22, 2018.

## **Citizen Input**

Mr. Defosse (7 Pauls Drive) questioned the penalties on electricity generation without the issuance of a certificate of occupancy.

Carl Kwiatkowski(113 Meadow Road) inquired why the cable access channel #194 is a black screen currently. He also questioned the railings on Main Street. Mr. Woodbury explained that this work is close-out work still left for the contractor. Mr. Kwiatkowski asked why there are surveyors on Pleasant Street. Mr. Woodbury explained that the Town contracted this survey work to take place in May.

# **Board Member and Staff Comments**

Mr. Pepe explained that there will be an important Building and Property Re-Use Committee meeting next Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas M. Gregory Town Administrator