



TOWN OF GRANBY

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Town Administrator: Christopher Martin

Granby Select Board: Mark L. Bail, Chair
Louis Barry, Clerk
Mary A. McDowell, Member

Board Meeting: August 04, 2014 @ 6:30 P.M.

AGENDA:

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1 Sewer Project

APPROVE MINUTES:

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

APPOINTMENTS:

- 7:00 Update on Class 2 License Hearing

NEW BUSINESS AND INFORMATION:

- 1 Accept Departmental Reports
- 2 Approve and Sign Maintenance Warrant-# FY-14-82, FY-15-07,08
- 3 Approve and sign Common Victualler's Licenses Requests
- 4 Affirm appointment of Tree Warden, Sexual Harassment Officers
- 5 Approve and sign Entertainment License Request
- 6 Approve and sign Pool Table License Request
- 7 Trash-Pickup for Crescent Valley Condominiums

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:



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Members Present: Louis Barry, Mark Bail, Christopher Martin, Town Administrator
Mary McDowell (6:45 PM)

Chairman, Mark Bail, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and led the Board in the
“Pledge of Allegiance”.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Pam Desjardins: Ms. Desjardins was in front of the Board representing herself and her farm. There has been a formal complaint against the dogs barking at Ms. Desjardins residency. According to Ms. Desjardins, these dogs are on her property only to protect her livestock. They are not house dogs. She has come prepared to the meeting with “The Right to Farm” bylaws. She read the bylaw and has made point to the Board that her dogs do not bark excessively. She has had bears and a mountain lion come through her farm. She just came to tell her side of the issue, so the complaint did not go unaddressed. She does in fact have a 14 month old puppy that does bark more often than her older dogs, but the puppy is going for further training that will help make the bark less constant after her birthing season.

OLD BUSINESS

Sewer Project: They have started working on putting everything together for the SRF application. There is a contract between the Town of Granby and AECOM for the services of the submission of the SRF application to cost no more than \$15,000. AECOM is still on target for submitting the application by August 15th.

APPROVE MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mrs. McDowell, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of July 21 and July 28 as presented. (3-0-0)

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Hampshire Council of Government Affidavit: When requesting some information from the Department of Utilities, the HCOG answered questions for the Town of Granby. However, the Department of Utilities has requested that a representative of the Town of Granby sign off on the sets of questions.

On a motion by Mrs. McDowell, seconded by Mr. Barry, the Board unanimously authorized Mr. Martin to sign off on the affidavit.

Curbside Collection Contract: On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mrs. McDowell, the Board authorized Mr. Martin to sign the contract between the Town of Granby and Allied Waste Services regarding curbside collection between Allied Waste Services and the Town of Granby from June 1, 2014 till May 31, 2017.

APPOINTMENTS

Update on Class 2 License Hearing: Pam Desjardins, Chair of the Planning updated the Board concerning Yankee Glass who came in front of the Select Board in July to get a Class 2 license to sell used cars. When they met with the Planning Board, the plan was not done to scale. They wanted to display the used cars in the grass land right next to the building, but there in a possible issue of wetlands in the spring. Yankee Glass has asked to display up to six cars at a time, like AJ's Auto Body, next door, does. The application is in a hold pattern until the Planning Board gives their stamp of approval on the site plan.

NEW BUSINESS

Departmental Reports: On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Bail, the Board unanimously approved the departmental reports. (2-0-0)

Maintenance Warrants: On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Bail, the Board unanimously approved and signed the following maintenance warrants FY-14 # 82, and FY-15-#7, and #8. (2-0-0)

Approve and sign Common Victualler's Licenses Requests: On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Bail, the Board unanimously approved the following Common Victualler's for the Red Fire Farm Tomato Fest:

14-35	Harmony Springs, Inc	136 Yale Street	Ludlow
14-37	Snow's Nice Cream d/b/a Barts Homemade	40 School Street	Greenfield
14-38	Dancing Bear Soap Emporium	299 Old Chesterfield Rd	Chesterfield
14-39	Beets & Barley Catering	184 North Street	Northampton
14-40	Donna M Roy-Crafts	159 Pittroff Ave	So. Hadley
14-41	The Laughing Cow Tomato Mobile Wood Fired Pizza	20 Hampton Ave	Northampton

14-42 Tom's Kettle Corn & Wildflower Honey	1145 East Street	Ludlow
14-43 Marilyn Webster-d/b/a Whimsy Tea	679 Whately Rd	Conway
14-44 A-Door-Ables-Paula M Dane	279 Montgomery St	Chicopee
14-45 Two Dogs Baskets-Laurie Smith	38 S. Silver Lane	Sunderland
14-46 Cinderloop-Antoinette Inge	160 Western Ave	Lowell
14-48 Real Pickles Cooperative Inc	311 Wells St	Greenfield

All licenses expired on December 31, 2014. (2-0-0)

On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Bail, the Board unanimously approved the Common Victualler's #14-36 for Joyrides, LLC for 372 East State Street for the GMC Truck Show at Dufresne Park on August 2-3, 2014. (2-0-0)

On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Bail, the Board unanimously approved the Common Victualler's #14-47 for the Friends of Granby Veterans expiring on December 31, 2014. The Board also waived the Common Victuallers' fee as they are non-profit organization. (2-0-0) The Friends will be fundraising for the Veteran's Memorial Wall at the following events:

IHM Church Summer Fest	August 2
Dinofest	September 13
Craft Fair	September 27
5K-Run	October 12

Affirm appointment of Tree Warden, Sexual Harassment Officers: On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Bail, the Board unanimously affirmed the following appointments with terms ending 6/30/15: (2-0-0)

David Desrosiers (Highway Superintendent)	Tree Warden
Jessica Scahill (COA Director)	Sexual Harassment Officer
Russell Anderson (Fire Chief)	Sexual Harassment Officer

Approve and sign Entertainment License Request: On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Bail, the Board unanimously approved the Entertainment License for Joyrides LLC, d/b/a Happy Days Family Fun Spot located at 172 West State Street for live entertainment consisting of Karaoke, DJ or small bands. License expires on December 31, 2014.

Approve and sign Pool Table License Request: On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Bail, the Board unanimously approved and signed a Pool Table License for the Granby American Legion d/b/a 266 Lounge Inc., at 74 Pleasant Street for one pool table. License expires on May 1, 2015. (2-0-0)

Trash-Pickup for Crescent Valley Condominiums: Crescent Valley Condominiums currently has a single trash-pickup day, but they are requesting a second day that they will pay for themselves. The Board's one concern is that the establishment will discontinue their recycling program.

On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mr. Bail, the board unanimously approved Crescent Valley Condominiums' request, provided they continue to recycle.

Frank Marion brought forward a discussion about the businesses proving if they have a dumpster or not. The Selectboard has notified businesses in town that if they would like, they can request that Republic pick up their trash provided that they follow the same guidelines that residents do: one bag no more than 40-lbs and any other bags are in the town official blue garbage bags. Pam Desjardins has provided the opportunity to bring this point up at the Planning Board's meeting with the business people along Route 202 in September. The Selectboard would like to create a dumpster bylaw that requests establishments who have over a certain amount of trash be required to have a dumpster.

New Committees: Mr. Bail read through the objectives for a new Strategic Financial Planning Committee and a new Economic Development Planning Committee. As attached. There was discussion about if these committees would be successful or not. Pam Desjardins brought up the point that the Planning Board has been trying to do the same thing as the Economic Development Planning Committee would do. The Planning Board is looking at creating a marketing strategy for the Town of Granby to build up our revenue by attracting businesses. The Planning Board is also putting together a comprehensive plan that is over the course of 5-10 years that they will present to the Select Board upon completion. They want to plan first, and then eventually work on development of the funds for these projects, so there is no stopping on the plans.

On a motion by Mr. Barry, seconded by Mrs. McDowell, the Board unanimously approved the charge for the Strategic Financial Planning Committee.

INFORMATION

Hecate: They want to get on the Planning Board's next meeting to discuss their progress. They might need to go before the Conservation Commission to submit another application.

Kellogg Hall: Michael Beck asked Mr. Martin, last week, what the update is on Kellogg Hall's closing. Atty. Ryan, Town Council, was still waiting to speak to Granby Preservation Society's attorney, who was on vacation the past few weeks.

Town Accountant: The advertisement for a Town Accountant has been placed in the newspapers and someone has already come to get information on the job.

SoftWright: Mr. Martin said everything is going smoothly and he believes that he can get the accounting done by October/November.

Town Administrator Goals: Mr. Martin presented the following goals for himself for FY-15:

- 1.) Work to make sure that the shared services between the School and Town departments will be ready by the next Annual Town Meeting.
- 2.) Work to make sure the Softwright the payroll and accounting software is up and running.
- 3.) To attend more Association and State meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Louis Barry and seconded by Mary McDowell it was unanimously voted to adjourn the regular session meeting @ 7:23 PM. (3-0-0)

Respectfully submitted,
Olivia DePino, Clerk
Cathy Leonard
Town Administrator's Secretary