

**TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON
SELECTBOARD'S MEETING MINUTES
July 14, 2014**

PRESENT:

DEBORAH PHILLIPS, Selectboard
SEAN STANTON
STEPHEN C. BANNON
DANIEL BAILLY
ED ABRAHAMMS

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting began at 7 P.M. at Town Hall.

2. MINUTES:

Minutes for the June 9 and June 23, 2014, regular meetings and the July 1, 2014, special meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Stanton, seconded by Mr. Bannon and agreed to by all.

3. SELECTBOARD'S ANNOUNCEMENTS/STATEMENTS:

Mr. Bannon reported the Parks Department's concern that \$5,743 taken from its account to pay what turned out to be the wrong vendor be restored to the account.

Ms. Phillips said the Lake Mansfield Task Force should meet with the Selectboard, Planning Board, Conservation Commission and, at Mr. Bannon's suggestion, the Parks Department to discuss plans for road restoration work. Possible dates of Sept. 29 or Oct. 6 at 6:30 p.m. were mentioned.

4. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

In Ms. Tabakin's absence, Ms. Phillips said Elias Casey and Dalton Griffin have completed academy training and will become reserve police officers. She said there remain vacancies on town boards and committees (including associate member to Planning Board). She said Main Street Reconstruction Project construction began this week on upper Main Street.

5. PUBLIC HEARING:

A. MSCGB, INC. D/B/A THE 528 CAFÉ, THERESA SONSINI, MANAGER, FOR A NEW COMMON VICTUALLER ALL-ALCOHOLIC RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENSE WITH OUTDOOR SEATING FOR 24 SEATS AT 249 STOCKBRIDGE ROAD.

The hearing opened at 7:12 p.m. Attorney Nick Arienti appeared on behalf of the applicant. He said stone knee walls separate the outdoor dining area from the driveway/parking lot. He said there are 60 seats inside. He said Ms. Sonsini holds a liquor license in Stockbridge for Main Street Café. On a motion by Mr. Stanton, seconded by Mr. Bannon, and favored by all, the hearing closed at 7:17 p.m.

Mr. Stanton moved to accept these findings: A completed application was submitted to the Board of Selectmen on June 23, 2014. A public hearing was properly advertised in the Berkshire Record for two consecutive weeks on June 27 and July 3, 2014, and notice mailed to abutters via certified mail, as per MGL Ch. 138, Sec 15A. A public Hearing was scheduled for July 14, 2014, at 7 PM at Town Hall, 334 Main St. No impediments were disclosed as to the approval or denial of a new Common Victualler Restaurant All Alcoholic Liquor License. Therefore, the board should approve the Findings of Fact for a new Common Victualler Restaurant All-Alcoholic Liquor License for MSCGB Inc. d/b/a The 528 Café, Theresa Sonsini, manager, and with the findings that the benefits of the proposal outweigh any possible detrimental impacts. Mr. Bannon seconded and the board was entirely in favor. Mr. Stanton then moved to approve the liquor license, Mr. Bannon seconded, all voted in favor.

6. LICENSES OR PERMITS:

A. DAVID RYNES (BEYOND STRUCTURE BUILDERS) FOR ROBERT STEIN AND GAIL EDWIN FOR A DRIVEWAY PERMIT AT SEEKONK CROSS ROAD (JUST BEFORE GB/ALFORD TOWN LINE-PARCEL ID:113/O33.0-0000-0092.0).

Mr. Rynes appeared on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Stanton observed that the application appeared to meet the requirements of the Highway Department and fire and police departments and moved to approve. Mr. Bannon seconded and all voted in favor.

B. 1 J. ALAIN FERRY/RACE CANCER FOUNDATION'S RUNNING MAN FESTIVAL FOR TEMPORARY WEEKDAY ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FOR AUG. 30, 2014, FROM 11 AM to 11 PM AT SKI BUTTERNUT, 380 STATE ROAD.

Mr. Ferry said police would monitor lane closure on Route 23 to Lake Buel road. Mass. DOT has signed off, he said. He said he is looking for 100 local volunteers to assist. Some proceeds will go to local groups. Mr. Stanton moved to approve this and the next item (B. 2), Mr. Bannon seconded and the board members were all in favor.

B. 2 J. ALAIN FERRY/RACE CANCER FOUNDATION'S RUNNING MAN FESTIVAL FOR TEMPORARY SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FOR AUG. 31, 2014, FROM 10 AM to 4 PM AT SKI BUTTERNUT (LOWER LODGE), 380 STATE ROAD.

C. GREAT BARRINGTON ROTARY & BERKSHIRE AVIATION FOR TEMPORARY WEEKDAY ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FOR AUGUST 16, 2014, FROM 10 AM to 4 PM FOR FLY-IN AT GREAT BARRINGTON AIRPORT, 70 EGREMONT PLAIN ROAD.

Mark De Celle of Rotary said there will be rides, vendors and a bike race, proceeds to benefit Rotary scholarships. Mr. Stanton stepped away from the table, saying he may be a vendor. Mr. Bannon said he is a member of Rotary, but would enjoy no financial benefit from the activity. Mr. Bannon moved to approve the permit, Mr. Bailly seconded, and the four members voted in the positive, Mr. Stanton did not participate.

D. GREAT BARRINGTON ROTARY & BERKSHIRE AVIATION FOR TEMPORARY SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FOR AUGUST 17, 2014, (RAIN DATE) FROM 10 AM to 4 PM FOR FLY-IN AT GREAT BARRINGTON AIRPORT, 70 EGREMONT PLAIN ROAD. Mr.

Bannon moved to approve the application, Mr. Bailly seconded, four members voted in favor, Mr. Stanton did not participate.

E. ADAM MEAD/GREAT BARRINGTON FIRE ASSOCIATION FOR PERMISSION TO HOLD 2014 MAIN STREET CAR SHOW ON AUG. 7, 2014 (RAIN DATE AUG. 14, 2014) FROM 2 to 9 PM.

Mr. Mead said 300 vehicles are expected. There will be police details. Money will go to scholarship programs. Mr. Stanton moved to approve, Mr. Bannon seconded, all voted yes.

F. TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON TO MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY /NATIONAL GRID - GRANT OF EASEMENT TO RELOCATE THE EXISTING TRANSFORMER AT THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT (WWTP) ON BENTLEY ROAD.

Tony Corsi of National Grid said the temporary installation is to enable placement of a 3,000-amp system at the treatment plant. A second transformer will be set up and put in service while the old transformer is replaced. Mr. Stanton made the motion, Mr. Bannon seconded, all voted in favor.

G. NATIONAL GRID FOR PERMISSION TO INSTALL A NEW ELECTRIC SO POLE #2-5, 60 FEET SOUTHWEST OF POLE 2, LOCATION BEGINS APPROXIMATELY 840 FEET SOUTH OF THE CENTERLINE OF THE INTERSECTION OF BRIDGE STREET.

This will be a permanent pole. Mr. Stanton moved to approve, Mr. Bannon seconded, all five were in favor.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. FY 15 RE-APPOINTMENT TO THE ENERGY COMMITTEE.

The board on a motion by Mr. Stanton, seconded by Mr. Bannon, and voted unanimously, reappointed Beth Moser to the committee.

B. SB – SPECIAL MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE DESIGNATION FOR COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE (CPC).

Town Planner Chris Rembold said the designation allows those on the committee to take outside work for payment. Mr. Stanton moved to approve, Mr. Bannon seconded, all were in favor.

- C. SB – RECOMMENDATION TO THE ZBA ON THE SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATION OF HOUSATONIC SOLAR 1 LLC TO INSTALL A SOLAR PANEL ARRAY IN THE FORMER GRAVEL BED AT 49 VAN DEUSENVILLE ROAD IN AN R2 1-ACRE RESIDENTIAL ZONE.

At the request of Kirt Mayland, the topic was continued to July 28. Mr. Stanton made the motion, Mr. Bannon seconded, all agreed.

- D. SB – RECOMMENDATION TO THE ZBA ON THE SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATION OF BIG Y FOODS INC. TO ALTER A LOADING DOCK AT A PRE-EXISTING, NON-CONFORMING COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE AT 740 MAIN STREET IN A B-2 BUSINESS ZONE.

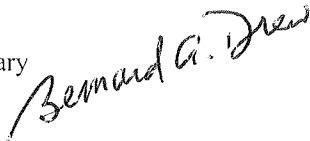
Consultant Guy Hesketh said Big Y's most recent special permit was in 2007. This request is for a Petco store going into the Rite-Aid space. The retailer wants a scissors lift and canopy. The building is nonconforming as in one place it is closer than 10 feet to the sideyard line. Mr. Stanton moved to make a positive recommendation to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Mr. Bannon seconded, all were in favor.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Mr. Bannon, seconded by Mr. Stanton, the board adjourned at 7:42 p.m. All voted in favor.

NEXT SELECTBOARD'S REGULAR MEETING: MONDAY, JULY 28, 2014, AT 7 P.M.

Bernard A. Drew
Recording Secretary

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bernard A. Drew". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned to the right of the typed name and title.