

Town of Livermore

Board of Selectpersons

October 6, 2014

MINUTES

Public Hearing at 5:45 pm for Liquor License Renewal Application and Special Amusement Permit Application of Michael Weaver, Carriage House Café.

- Public hearing started at 5:56 pm. No questions from the Public.

This Public Hearing was scheduled to take place on Monday, October 20, 2014, at 5:45 pm. It was held in error on October 6. No action was taken at the meeting pending a request for more information from the applicant.

Members present: Peter Castonguay, Megan Dion, Rod Newman. Mark Chretien and Tim Kachnovich were absent.

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

- Liquor License Renewal Application discussion. Item number 13 stated that there was a violation of law for “Pot” in 2000 and there was probation.
- Special Amusement Permit Application: Mr. Newman stated that the application should have been denied for incomplete application. Applicant stated that he had been convicted of “pot” and did not fully complete the application.

A motion was made by Rod Newman to table both applications because they were incomplete; second by Peter Castonguay. Vote: unanimous.

2. Approval of the minutes of September 22, 2014, meeting

A motion was made by Megan Dion to accept minutes as presented; second by Rod Newman. Vote: unanimous.

3. Reports

- a. Highway Foreman

- The sand has been delivered. It is going to be capped tomorrow with one more load of salt.
- There is an issue on Poland Hill. A resident is parking on the grass in the town right-of-way that was reseeded this year to stop erosion. Roger would like the town to send a letter to residents asking them to not park there. Carrie will send a letter stating that they can't park in the right of way and if they persist, the vehicle will be towed. Also on the same property, there is a dumpster in the right of way next to a garage. This dumpster is blocking the right of way and the plow truck won't be able to turn when plowing this winter. Carrie will send a letter to the dumpster company and carbon copy the property owner.
- The backhoe is back and all fixed with the exception of twister wrist. The cylinder needs to be replaced. Roger reported that a new one would be approximately \$3500 and the company wanted \$2500 to repair the part. Roger will take the part off and see if he can get an estimate.

- The existing salt shed needs repair before anybody goes in there. Carrie presented a material list that was provided by Dan. There was discussion of using jersey barriers or other supports for the outside walls. Carrie will get pricing on concrete blocks and bring back to next meeting for review.

A motion was made by Rod Newman to purchase lumber for rafter repairs to make the building structurally sound; second by Peter Castonguay. Vote: unanimous.

- Tim Cox reported that he had spoken with his sister last week. She asked Tim to relay to the Road Crew that the repair on Poland Hill was best job she's seen in a long time and it was done to the standards of the Soil and Water Conservation District.
- The excavator is still here and they are getting two weeks free rental. They will be starting on the River Road tomorrow where they will be replacing culverts.
- The handicap sign at Round Pond Boat Launch has been stolen again (post and all). The No Loitering sign is also gone.

b. Town Clerk

- Renda submitted a written report presented by Carrie.
- Absentee ballots are in and now available. The convention was worth the time as new laws are changing and Renda thanks the board for the opportunity to go.
- We have had a number of responses to the Office Hours Survey and also calls with positive feedback.
- The assessor will be here on Thursday, October 16th for residents.
- The new dog stickers will be available on October 15th for renewals.

c. Treasurer Report

- Income is increasing as we are starting to see some tax money.
- Excise tax is holding just shy of \$100000 since July 1.
- Tax lien money still trickling in. Online tax payments link is up on the site and still waiting for the first payment.
- The first direct deposit payroll was done today. We would like to offer it to the firefighters and select persons.
- Amy presented a corrected abatement for Bonnie Perkins as it was applied to wrong account. She has two accounts.

A motion was made by Rod Newman to approve the correct abatement; second by Peter Castonguay. Vote: unanimous.

- Amy presented and reviewed the Financial Procedures Policy update and revisions as required. We will vote on this at the next meeting pending one more revision.
- The next projects for the Treasurer are end of year tax reporting and 30 day notices.

d. Administrative Report

- All office staff attended the MMA conference and came back with good information and things to share.
- Carrie received an estimate from Dan for the new Fire Department Door. It is more than anticipated so the carpet in the office will not be replaced this year. There are no further issues with the mold smell as the humidity has left.
- Carrie has been updating and organizing the policies, job descriptions and ordinances. She will be bringing them to the board. She also presented two new policies: Acceptable Use and Social Media Policies as she would like to create a Facebook Page for the Town for dissemination of information.
- A safety grant for the Fire Department for two sets of Turnout gear has been submitted.
- We are still waiting for the water quality testing letter from DEP to see the impact on our salt shed.
- A new firewall will be installed on Tuesday.

- Single sort is going well
- 4. Old business
 - a. Treasurer Hours
- Addressed in the Treasurer report.
 - b. Cement Pad for Transfer Station
- We received one bid by Livermore Concrete for \$2500 per specifications

A motion was made by Megan Dion to award the project to Livermore Concrete for \$2500; second by Rod Newman. Vote: unanimous

5. New business

- Amy had a discussion with Rhonda at the Jay Town Office regarding second half tax payment reminders. They send a postcard after the due date to people who still have an outstanding balance. Jay has experienced a decrease in amount of properties going to lien. Rod asked how many post cards on average would be needed and stated it may be a good service to our residents. He would like info for the next meeting.

6. Other

- Tim Cox presented information on Grow Smart Maine. The *Reviving Freedom Mill* movie will be on Public Access TV. Grow Smart is a non-profit that works with communities to revitalize and activate communities. Tim would like to attend the Summit on the 21st of October with three others from Livermore. The summit is at the August Civic Center—Grow Smart will pay the registration fee for attendees from our town.
- Cemeteries - Tim has finished work in the cemeteries for this year. They did Alden Cemetery and the Leavitt Cemetery—two of the stones have replacement stones coming as they are veteran's stones. They had complaints on the road going into Lakeside due to washouts from the spring. They hauled in gravel and filled in 10 graves that had sunk and lifted markers. Alden Cemetery and True Cemetery have damaged stones due to vandals.
- Tim advised that the VA will cover the cost of veteran's stones that need to be replaced.
- Community Center - Community center already has a Facebook page. They had a donation of a range (from Amy) and a refrigerator for the Community Center. They have a new sink. He is going to talk with Bruce Adams about getting a new tank for the stove. Sara Delaney collected \$300. There was donation of chairs. Raffle quilt donated by Village Scrappers. Brettun's Pond Assoc. made a donation of \$1500. They are planning a 100 year memorial/celebration service on May 15th. Rod stated that he would give .06 per can if they collected them and brought them to Newman's. There was discussion on ADA material and pricing. They are going to try to keep the building heated for the winter. There was discussion of Town records in the basement of the Community Center.

7. Public Comment

- Mr. Hines provided public comment.

8. Adjourn

A motion was made by Rod Newman to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 pm; second by Megan Dion. Vote: unanimous.