

AGENDA
WILLIAMSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2011
7:00 P.M.

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING STATEMENT:

2. SELECTMEN'S MINUTES: March 14, 2011

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. 7:05 PM: Application from Country Store Inc., 824 Simonds Road, Antonio A. Cerveira, Manager – Wine and Malt Beverage Package Store License

B. 7:10 PM: Application from Hops and Vines MA LLC, 16 Water Street, Gill Rubenstein, Manager – All Alcoholic Beverage Restaurant License

4. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

A. Request from Hops and Vines MA LLC, 16 Water Street, Gill Rubenstein, Manager for a Common Victualer License and a Live/Background Music permit.

B. Williamstown Theatre Foundation, Inc. d/b/a The Williamstown Theatre Festival, 100 Main Street, Ira Lapidus, Manager
Seasonal Wine and Malt Beverage License General on Premise
Live Music
Sunday License

C. Williamstown Theatre Foundation, Inc. d/b/a The Williamstown Theatre Festival Cabaret, 863 Main Street, (Goodrich Hall) Ira Lapidus, Manager
Seasonal Wine and Malt Beverage License General on Premise
Live Music

D. Sterling & Francine Clark Art Institute, d/b/a The Clark Art Institute, 225 South Street, Steven Wilkinson, Manager
Seasonal Wine & Malt Beverage Restaurant License
Common Victualer

5. ITEMS FOR SELECTMEN'S CONSIDERATION:

A. Library Construction and Renovation Project (edm Architects)

B. Appointment of Democratic Nominee for the Board of Registrars (3-year term – expiring March 31, 2014)

6. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

7. PETITIONER'S REQUEST:

8. OTHER BUSINESS:

9. ADJOURN:

Next Selectmen's meeting is Monday, April 11, 2011

MINUTES
WILLIAMSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2011
7:00 P.M.

Present: Ronald Turbin, Chairman, Jane B. Allen, David A. Rempell, Thomas E. Sheldon, Tom Costley

Others Present: Antonio Cerveira, Jack Cerveira, Jack Nogueira, Gil Rubenstein, David Aldecoa, Adam Filson, Charles Fox, Pat McLeod, Tim Eagles and Brendan Miggins (edn Architects), Kim Rozell, Peter Mehlin, Marilyn Faulkner, Nancy McIntire, Rebecca Ohm, Kathy Poirot, Peter Fohlin

- 1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING STATEMENT:** Mr. Turbin congratulated all those who worked on the Green Community Grant that the town received from the State in the amount of \$142,000. He particularly thanked Town Manager Peter Fohlin, Tim Kaiser, Jason McNair and members of the COOL Committee.
- 2. SELECTMEN'S MINUTES:** March 14, 2011 – Mr. Rempell moved to approve the March 14, 2011 minutes. Mr. Sheldon seconded and the motion carried 4-0-1 with Mr. Turbin abstaining.

3. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. Mr. Turbin opened the public hearing at **7:05 PM** for an application from Country Store Inc., 824 Simonds Road, Antonio A. Cerveira, Manager – Wine and Malt Beverage Package Store License. Owners Jack and Antonio Cerveira said they plan to stock select beers but do not anticipate selling wine at this time. Ms. Allen asked Mr. Cerveira (Antonio) to give his employment history as it was absent on the Manager's form. Mr. Cerveira said he had worked at Dunkin' Donuts and as a Mason over the past 10 years and had also worked at a package store for two years several years ago. He informed the Board that he had moved to Lanesboro from Connecticut in the past few weeks and would be at the store at least 40 hours per week if not more. Addressing both the applicants for the Country Store and Hops and Vines, Ms. Allen explained the Board's expectations regarding carding of all patrons "unless they have wrinkles" and shared with the applicants the compliance history of the present establishments. Ms. Allen cautioned the applicants that, in a college town, they should be diligent when it comes to IDs and recommended they call the Williamstown police whenever they need help. Ms. Allen highly recommended that Jack and Antonio Cerviera take the TIPs training as soon as possible and send a copy of their certificates to Ms. Poirot. Mr. Turbin closed the public hearing at 7:17 p.m.

Ms. Allen moved to approve the application from Country Store Inc., 824 Simonds Road, Antonio A. Cerveira, Manager – Wine and Malt Beverage Package Store License. Mr. Rempell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Rempell moved to transfer the Common Victualer License from TJ Warren to Country Store Inc. Ms. Allen seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

B. Mr. Turbin opened the public hearing at **7:20 PM** for an application from Hops and Vines MA LLC, 16 Water Street, Gill Rubenstein, Manager – All Alcoholic Beverage Restaurant License. Attorney Filson introduced Gil Rubenstein and David Aldecoa to the Board. They said they hoped to open by June 1. Ms. Allen pointed out that Mr. Aldecoa has had experience as an alcohol manager but it was out of state. Mr. Aldecoa said he planned to take the upcoming TIPS training and plans to train all of the staff. He also explained a 2002 traffic violation and DUI that occurred in Las Vegas, Nevada. He said the violations were pleaded down to misdemeanors and he has not had any issues since. Although the address for both owners on their alcohol application is New York City, Mr. Rubenstein stated that they had just rented a house on Birch Lane in Williamstown. Mr. Turbin closed the public hearing at 7:34 p.m.

Mr. Rempell moved to approve the application from Hops and Vines MA LLC, 16 Water Street, Gill Rubenstein, Manager – All Alcoholic Beverage Restaurant License. Mr. Costley seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

4. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

A. Request from Hops and Vines MA LLC, 16 Water Street, Gill Rubenstein, Manager for a Common Victualer License and a Live/Background Music permit.

Mr. Rempell moved to approve a Common Victualer License and a Live/Background Music permit for Hops and Vines MA LLC., 16 Water Street, Gill Rubenstein, Manager. Mr. Costley seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

B. Williamstown Theatre Foundation, Inc. d/b/a The Williamstown Theatre Festival, 100 Main Street, Ira Lapidus, Manager
Seasonal Wine and Malt Beverage License General on Premise
Live Music
Sunday License

Mr. Sheldon moved to approve a Seasonal Wine and Malt Beverage License General on Premise, Live Music and Sunday License for the Williamstown Theatre Foundation, Inc. d/b/a The Williamstown Theatre Festival, 100 Main Street, Ira Lapidus, Manager. Ms. Allen seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

C. Williamstown Theatre Foundation, Inc. d/b/a The Williamstown Theatre Festival Cabaret, 863 Main Street, (Goodrich Hall) Ira Lapidus, Manager
Seasonal Wine and Malt Beverage License General on Premise
Live Music

Mr. Sheldon moved to approve a Seasonal Wine and Malt Beverage License General on Premise and Live Music permit for the Williamstown Theatre Foundation, Inc. d/b/a The Williamstown Theatre Festival Cabaret, 863 Main Street, (Goodrich Hall) Ira Lapidus, Manager. Mr. Rempell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

D. Sterling & Francine Clark Art Institute, d/b/a The Clark Art Institute,
225 South Street, Steven Wilkinson, Manager
Seasonal Wine & Malt Beverage Restaurant License
Common Victualer

Ms. Allen moved to approve a Seasonal Wine & Malt Beverage Restaurant License and Common Victualer for Sterling & Francine Clark Art Institute, d/b/a The Clark Art Institute, 225 South Street, Steven Wilkinson, Manager. Mr. Rempell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5. ITEMS FOR SELECTMEN'S CONSIDERATION:

A. Library Construction and Renovation Project (edm Architects) – Architect Tim Eagles of edm Architects gave a Power Point presentation showing schematic drawings of a proposed \$7.2 million renovation project to the library. The project proposes adding two additions equal to 3,422 square feet to the building to include a new front entrance on the north side, a large and a small meeting room, two new rest rooms and an elevator. The plans are preliminary and represent the minimum amount of work necessary to apply for a \$2.88 million state grant. Ms. McLeod said the state will award the construction grants on July 14. In addition to the building expansion, the parking lot would be re-configured and increase from 39 to 66 spaces to accommodate the meeting room space. Mr. Eagles pointed out a proposed loading dock on the west side of the building with proposed access to Cold Spring Road. Ms. McLeod said the House of Local History, housed in the rear of the building, will continue to occupy its present space. Since the library will not be closed during renovations, Ms. McLeod said the project would be completed in phases. The first phase would be basement renovations which would include reinforcing sections of the main floor in parts of the library. The second phase would be the front entrance relocation to the north side of the building and the parking lot, and the third phase would be the renovation of the current library space. Mr. Rempell asked about the library's ability to support a larger facility. Ms. McLeod said that operating costs may be lower than present costs due to reduced staffing needs with a centrally located circulation desk and improvements to both the heating and ventilation systems. Ms. McIntire said the Library Board of Trustees did a feasibility study in 2009 with money awarded through a state grant and edm has created the preliminary designs for the new grant application. She said that the Library Board of Trustees would fund raise for the remaindering cost of the project. Ms. McLeod said a Capital Campaign Committee will be in place in a month. Mr. Sheldon asked if the House of Local History would be a partner in the fundraising. Ms. McLeod responded that they will be and that they are happy with the building plan. Copies of the Power Point presentation are attached to the minutes and are also available at the Library and Town Manager's Office.

B. Appointment of Democratic Nominee for the Board of Registrars – Ms. Allen moved to re-appoint Mark Windover to a three-year term, expiring March 31, 2014, as Democratic designee for the Board of Registrars. Mr. Rempell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

6. PETITIONER'S REQUEST: None

7. OTHER BUSINESS: Mr. Turbin reminded the Board of the Berkshire County Selectmen dinner meeting April 28th at the Country Club of Pittsfield. Please notify Kathy Poirot if anyone would like to sign up. Mr. Turbin plans on attending.

8. ADJOURN: Mr. Costley moved to adjourn at 8:31 p.m. Ms. Allen seconded and the motion carried unanimously. The next Selectmen's meeting is Monday, April 11, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane B. Allen
Secretary