

MINUTES
WILLIAMSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN
November 10, 2008
7:00 P.M.

Present: Jane B. Allen, Chairman, David A. Rempell, Richard C. Steege

Absent: Ronald Turbin, Tom Costley

Others Present: David Nicholas, Anne Singleton, Peter Fohlin, Kathy Poirot

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING STATEMENT: Ms. Allen announced that selectmen packets will be sent electronically starting with this meeting packet. She also relayed that in the September/October issue of Common Ground, Berkshire Regional Planning Commission reported that only six of the Berkshires' thirty-two communities have hazard mitigation plans in place, and that number needs to be significantly increased if the Berkshires are to keep pace with the rest of the state and remain competitive for future disaster grant funds. The grant application will need to list exactly which communities will be developing hazard mitigation plans. The six Berkshire towns with an approved hazard mitigation plan are Becket, Hinsdale, Lenox, Stockbridge, Tyringham and Williamstown.

2. SELECTMEN'S MINUTES: October 27, 2008 – Mr. Rempell moved to approve the October 2008 minutes. Mr. Steege seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

3. PETITIONER'S REQUEST: None

4. LICENSES AND PERMITS:

A. Request from Nicholas Enterprise Inc., (Bounti Fare) David Nicholas, Owner, for a One Day All Alcoholic Beverage License on Friday, December 12, 2008 in the Williams College Towne Field House, 82 Latham St., from 3:30 pm to 8 pm for a Williams College Christmas Party. – Mr. Rempell moved to approve the request from Nicholas Enterprise, Inc. for a One Day All Alcoholic Liquor license on Friday, December 12, 2008 from 3:30 – 8:30 p.m. for a Williams College Christmas party. Mr. Steege seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

5. ITEMS FOR SELECTMEN'S CONSIDERATION:

A. Sign Commission Appointment (Anne Singleton -2011) – Mr. Rempell moved to appoint Anne Singleton to the Sign Commission. Her term will expire June 30, 2011. Mr. Steege seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

B. 2009 Annual License Renewals -

Restaurants

Leo's Luncheonette, 248 Cole Ave, Donna LaBombard, Owner
Common Victualer License

Chef's Hat Restaurant, 905 Simonds Rd., David A. Rock, President
Common Victualer License
Background Music

Cold Spring Coffee Roasters, LTD, d/b/a Tunnel City Coffee
100 Spring St., Paul Lovegreen, Manager
Common Victualer License

Ecusal, Inc., d/b/a Coyote Flaco, 505 Cold Spring Road, Galo Lopez, Manager
All Alcoholic Beverage License
Common Victualer
Live/Background Music

Hobson's Choice, 159 Water Street, Daniel H. Campbell, Owner
All Alcoholic Beverage License
Common Victualer

LMKM, INC, d/b/a Moonlight Diner & Grille, 408 Main St., Kassim Michael Ameen, Manager.
All Alcoholic Beverage License
Common Victualer License
Background/Live Music

Mezze, Inc., d/b/a Mezze, Nancy Thomas, Manager
All Alcoholic Beverage License
Common Victualer License
Background Music

Pappa Charlie's, 28 Spring Street, Chris Karampatsos, Owner
Common Victualer

Taewa, Inc., d/b/a Thai Garden, Sorasak Tongtawee, Manager
All Alcoholic Beverage License
Common Victualer License

Mr. Rempell moved to Alcoholic Beverage Licenses, Common Victualer and Music licenses as presented for restaurants. Mr. Steege seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

PACKAGE STORES

West Package Store, Inc., d/b/a West's Wine & Spirits, 52 Spring St., Robert West, Manager
All Alcoholic Beverage Package Store License

Mr. Rempell moved to approve the All Alcoholic Package Store License as presented. Mr. Steege seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

C. Bosley and Downing Letter of Support for Water Street PWED Grant – letters were presented to selectmen for the Chairman's signature requesting support from both Representative Daniel Bosley and Senator Benjamin Downing regarding the Town's application for a Public Works Economic Development grant. In September a grant application was submitted to the Executive Office of Transportation. Grants are given to communities pursuing projects that would have an economic benefit. Mr. Fohlin said the proposed project would widen and enhance both sides of Water Street from Heating Plant

Drive to the end of the Cable Mills property. He said that Bosley and Downing would be made aware of the Town's application for the grant.

Mr. Rempell moved that the Chairman sign the letters to Representative Bosley and Senator Downing. Mr. Steege seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

D. Selectmen Meeting Schedule 12/22/08 – Mr. Steege moved to cancel the December 22, 2008 meeting due to Hanukkah and if business needs to be conducted, to call a meeting before the January 12, 2009 meeting. Mr. Rempell seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

6. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT: See attached.

7. OTHER BUSINESS:

8. ADJOURN: Mr. Rempell moved to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. The next Selectmen Meeting is Monday, November 24, 2008 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard C. Steege
Secretary pro tempore

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