

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 – 7:00 PM

This meeting is being recorded.

Chairman Anthony Cogliano opened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Present: Vice Chair Debra Panetta, Selectmen Michael Serino, Jeff Cicolini, and Corinne Riley. Also present, Town Manager Scott Crabtree.

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance

The Board of Selectmen congratulated Sgt. Stephen Rappa, Lt. Anthony LoPresti, Detective Stacey Forni, Officer Alison Cooper, and Officer Brett DiPanfilo, for running in the recent Boston Marathon, and along with Bob Catanzaro.

CORRESPONDENCE: Letters received from Mr. John Cannon, Attorney Peter Rossetti, Mr. Chris Riley, and Mr. Bernie Sturniolo, to be referred to the May 9, 2023, meeting under Appointments. Vice Chair offered the Motion to refer to the May 9, 2023, meeting. Chair seconds, all in favor, Motion passes 5-0.

Letter from Mr. Dan Kelly regarding All Quality Auto, 961 Broadway, Saugus, MA. Letter from the Building Inspector read into the record. (See Attached). A Show Cause public hearing to be held on May 23, 2023. A site visit will be conducted on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, at 8 AM with Building Inspector, Police and Fire Departments.

Mr. Stanley Usovicz was not present. Vice Chair Panetta discussed the equipment. Town Manager Crabtree explained that when there is a double pole, they take the wires down. It is up to Verizon to coordinate the plans, and also with the Board of Selectmen. Clerk to contact Mr. Usovicz for him to compile a list of double poles. No live wires. If any wires, they should notify them.

Selectman Cicolini offered a Motion to refer the matter to the clerk, Chair seconds, all in favor, Motion passes 5-0.

Selectman Cicolini offered a Motion to move the request of Mr. Randy Briand for the appointment as Veteran's Grave Officer to the May 9, 2023 board meeting under APPOINTMENTS. Chair seconds, all in favor; Motion passes 5-0.

Saugus Cable T.V. interim President, Ms. Rachel Bregman, 30 Main Street, Saugus, MA, requesting additional funds. Ms. Beckman will contact the clerk when she receives the three (3) quotes requested by the Board, and then will be placed on the agenda.

National Grid for pole locations requires a public hearing to be placed on the next agenda. Vice Chair Debra Panetta offered the Motion to schedule a public hearing at the May 9, 2023, board meeting. Chair seconds, all in favor; Motion passes 5-0.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Mr. Chris Riley, suggesting residents be able to sign up to learn of trash pickup, recent programs, and meetings, etc. There is a current web site with a sign up and subscription information but not sure if it is working.

Selectman Cicolini supports the funding and the town manager will review the matter.

Mr. Ron Wallace, 14 Magnolia Street, spoke about cleaning public stones on the Town Hall lawns. The town manager and Mr. Wallace will coordinate the work schedule.

Mr. Tim Barnes, 5 Hemingway Road, Saugus, MA, stated that costs to implement a town wide notification system are very reasonable.

PUBLIC HEARING: Ms. Kristine Bautista, 10 Willowby Way, Lynnfield, MA 01940 for a Common Victualer's license to operate Bits & Bites by Kristine. Mr. and Mrs. Bautista addressed the Board. It will be a bakery and café with specialty sandwiches, pastries, and coffee. Hours of operation requested are 7:30 AM to 2:00 PM, Tuesday – Sunday with six (6) tables and 12 seats. Hoping to open in July.

Chairman Cogliano explained that the business does not have an external grease trap, Board of Health Director John Fralick stated they can have a grease trap under the three-bay sink, right below that install one, three times its size, which would operate as an external grease trap. A plumber will be taught its operation. This arrangement fulfills the requirements of an external grease trap and conditional on the second grease trap be approved as part of the license.

Any in favor? Ms. Beatrice Cantata, 5 Hemingway Street, in favor. No one in opposition. Selectman Cicolini moved to close the hearing. All in favor; Motion passes 5-0.

Selectman Cicolini offered a Motion to grant the request of Ms. Kristine Bautista, 10 Willowby Way, Lynnfield, MA for a Common Victualer's license to operate Bits and Bites by Kristine, located at 488 Lincoln Avenue, Saugus, MA. Hours of operation: 7:30 AM to 2:00 PM – Tuesday – Sunday, closed on Tuesday. Six tables with 12 seats. This license is conditioned on the approval of a second grease trap and signed off by the Board of Health and all other departments in Saugus. Chair seconds the Motion; all in favor – Motion passes 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARING: Request from JC Smoothies, Square One Mall, Unit #211, at 1202 Broadway, Saugus, Note add name of petitioner, MA for a Common Victualer's license at that location. Any in favor – None. Vice Chair Panetta moved to close the hearing. Chair seconds, all in favor – Motion passes 5-0.

Vice Chair Panetta moved to grant the request of JC Smoothies, Unit #211, 1201 Broadway, Saugus, MA for a Common Victualer's license. All internal permits to be satisfied with town

Departments. All outstanding fees to be paid. Hours of operation: Monday to Thursday: 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM; Friday and Saturday 10:00 AM – 9:00 PM: Sunday 12:00

AM to 6:00 PM. Chair seconds the Motion. All in favor, Motion passes 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARING: Request from Church Street Creole Café, Inc, d/b/a Border Café, 356 Broadway, Saugus, MA to permit temporary outdoor seating for seven (7) tables and approximately 32 guests. No representative present. Selectman Riley moved to table the request. Chair seconds, all in favor – Motion passes 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARING: Request from Thovis Café, d/b/a Thovis Café, 1227 Broadway, Unit F215, for a Common Victualer's license at that location, originally Dunkin Donuts. There will be coffee, soup, and salads. Vice Chair Panetta questioned hours as they are outside Mall hours correct address. The former lessee opened at 7:00 AM. Petitioner plans to open May 1, 2023. Continued until May 9, 2023, to be first on the list. Vice Chair Panetta moved to continue the hearing. Outstanding taxes from the Mall are due as well. All in favor, Motion passes 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARING: Request from K & D Auto Repair, LLC, 74 Hamilton Street, Saugus, MA for a Class II Auto Dealer's license at that location. Vice Chair Panetta stated that the original S-2 Permit was not executed as the conditions for the S 2 Permit were never met.

Town Manager Crabtree stated that there was a 21E environmental issue with the land at that time. The owner of the property is required to file for the Special Permit and the Class II at the same time. Selectman Serino stated that there needs to be a parking plan and recommendations from all department heads.

Selectman Riley asked if any plans to purchase the property and was told yes but need to correct the issues before financing can be accomplished and the environmental issues need to be addressed. Vice Chair Panetta stated that the Tax Collector Ms. Hatch reported that the electronic transmitter on the water meter is not working. The Town needs to enter the property to install the water meter. The DPW recommends that the owner of the property clean up the area so the DPW can come in and install a new meter. Once the area is cleaned up, to allow the DPW to replace the meter. Once that is done, the owner to contact the water meter install technician for the replacement. This should be done as soon as possible. Also, it was recommended by Inspectional Services that the petitioner have the land surveyed to determine how many spaces available for parking. A copy of the original S2 Permit, which was not approved in 2017, was provided to the attorney. There is a certified plan on file. There is one, five-year option, on the lease. Selectman Cicolini expressed his concern about the lease description.

Selectman Serino suggested the attorney check with the DEP regarding the violations of 2017. Selectman Cicolini moved to table the public hearing. Selectman Serino moved to an alternate Motion: To accept the request of the petitioner to withdraw without prejudice, for K & D Auto Repair, LLC, 74 Hamilton Street, Saugus, MA. Chair seconds: all in favor, Motion to withdraw passes 5-0.

Vice Chair Panetta moved for a two-minute recess: Chair seconds, all in favor, Motion passes 5-0.

A citation was presented to Mr. Mark Vogler for being inducted into the New England Newspaper Hall of Fame.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES. Vice chair Panetta offered a Motion to approve the Minutes of March 21, 2023, Chair seconds. Corrections noted. All in favor, passed 5-0.

Vice Chair offered the Motion to approve the Minutes of March 29, 2023. On advice of counsel, Chair Panetta can vote on the approval of Minutes since she was there at the start of the meeting, and she also mentioned she did watch the meeting on SCTV. Chair seconds: Selectman Serino changed the word vote to opinion to support the Tattoo Studio. Selectman Serino made the Motion to approve the amended Minutes of March 29, 2023. Chair seconds, all in favor; Motion passes 5-0.

MEMBERS COMMENTS Tabled until next meeting.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None.

Selectman Cicolini offered a Motion to adjourn, Chair seconds, all in favor; Motion to adjourn passes 5-0. Time 8:25. PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Janice K. Jarosz, Temp Clerk