

## **SELECTBOARD'S MEETING MINUTES**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2017**

**7:00 PM – REGULAR SESSION**

**TOWN HALL, 334 MAIN STREET**

**PRESENT:**

Sean Stanton  
Steve Bannon  
Dan Bailly  
Ed Abrahams  
Bill Cooke

Town Manager, Jennifer Tabakin

**7:00 PM - OPEN MEETING**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair, Sean Stanton called the meeting to order at 7PM.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

October 30, 2017 Regular Meeting.

The Board passed the minutes over until the next meeting.

**3. SELECTBOARD'S ANNOUNCEMENTS/STATEMENTS:**

A. General Comments by the Board.

**4. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:**

A. Department Updates.

B. Project Updates.

- Report on Town's Priority Projects.

The Town Manager suggested updating the Town's Mission Statement. The improvements in general government functions in the last year have been updating our employee handbook, staff training and certification, updating and remodeling the Town Website to a more efficient and user friendly resource, continuing to work on health insurance with Berkshire Regional Health Group, and it was a big year for negotiating personnel agreements.

The Town is working on debt restructuring during this fiscal year and evaluating if it is financially efficient to move Munis from our town server to a Cloud based server. 20 Castle Street has another RFP to sublease and responses are due on December 15, 2017. The Powerhouse Square

work will begin in December and will start remediation work soon. The Town Hall roof, Transfer Station pole barn, and Ramsdell chimney contracts have been awarded.

**5. LICENSES OR PERMITS:**

A. Betsy Andrus/So. Berkshire Chamber of Commerce, as follows:

- for permission to host the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Holiday Shop, Sip & Stroll on Saturday, December 9, 2017 from 2:00 pm – 8:30 pm. (Discussion/Vote)

**MOTION:** Steve Bannon motioned to approve.

**SECOND:** Dan Bailly

**VOTE: 5-0**

- for permission to block off 4 parking spots on the left side of Railroad Street up to SoCo and 2 parking spots in front of ExtraSpecialTeas on Elm Street.

**MOTION:** Steve Bannon motioned to approve.

**SECOND:** Dan Bailly

**VOTE: 5-0**

- for permission to rope off 5 parking spots in front of the Town Hall on the right side.

**MOTION:** Steve Bannon motion to approve.

**SECOND:** Dan Bailly

**VOTE: 5-0**

- for One Day Weekday Entertainment License for the Downtown.

**MOTION:** Steve Bannon motion to approve.

**SECOND:** Dan Bailly

**VOTE: 5-0**

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

A. AJ Rio-Glick/Multicultural BRIDGE – Request for SB to sign a Petition on Behalf of Not in Our County Group. Gwendolyn VanSant, on behalf of Multicultural Bridge presented the petition. The Selectboard signed the pledge.

B. SB – Review/Approval of FY2019 Budget Policy. (Discussion/Vote)

The Selectboard agreed on the following dates, provided that the dates also work for the Finance Committee; 1/17/18, 1/23/18, 1/29/18, 2/6/18, 3/7/18.

**MOTION:** Steve Bannon motion to approve the FY19 Budget Policy with the proposed calendar.

**SECOND:** Dan Bailly

**VOTE: 5-0**

C. SB – To Approve Agricultural Preservation Restriction for Windy Hill Farm, Inc. at 686 Stockbridge Road. (Discussion/Vote)

Narian Schroeder, the CPA has already approved the APR and the Selectboard's sign off is needed.

**MOTION:** Steve Bannon motion to approve and sign the APR for Windy Hill Farm.

**SECOND:** Dan Bailly

**VOTE: 5-0**

D. SB – To Designate One (1) Selectboard Representative to the Monument Next Steps Committee. (Discussion/Vote)

The Next Step Committee will discuss options for the High School renovations, to receive State or Local funds or to build a new school. This committee will meet for the next year and will take public input.

**MOTION:** Steve Bannon motion to nominate Dan Bailly.

**SECOND:** Ed Abrahams

**VOTE:** 5-0

**7. CITIZEN SPEAK TIME:**

**8. SELECTBOARD'S TIME:**

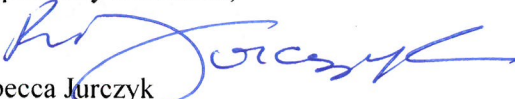
**9. MEDIA TIME:**

Eileen Mooney, the Newsletter. The police call log shows a lot of calls regarding O'Brien Trucking on Rogers Road, has the town addressed the noise complaints? The Town Manager said yes but she does not have the information in front of her and will report back to the Board and the media regarding this issue.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

On a motion made by Steve Bannon, seconded by Dan Bailly, with a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Rebecca Jurczyk  
Recording Secretary