



## Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Selectmen

Date: Monday, July 9, 2012  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Place: McCourt Social Hall, Memorial Town Hall, Spencer, MA  
Present: Chairman Pepe, Vice Chair Woodbury (arrived at 6:12 p.m.), Clerk Stevens, Members Berthiaume & Fritze, and Town Administrator Gaudette

At 6:06 p.m. Chairman Pepe called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

### Approval of Minutes:

***A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of June, 2012 and the Workshop and Executive Session of June 18, 2012 (Berthiaume/Fritze) passed 4/0.***

Citizen Input: none

### Communications:

- a) Chairman Pepe noted the correspondence from Sandra Fritze from the Mary Queen of the Rosary identifying the distribution of funds raised from the bazaar.

### New Business:

Chairman Pepe took items out of order at the request of the American Legion.

- h) Action Item: American Legion Request for a Parade Permit on August 18<sup>th</sup>. Gary Herle, Dan Meloche and Carol Southworth from the American Legion (Riders for Post #138) attended requesting a parade permit. They held the parade last year in conjunction with the return of injured veteran, Matt Chalifoux. It was very successful and they had over 200 riders. This year they would like to commemorate the "Greatest Generation" (WWII vets). They presented a flier for the event which advertised registration, a scenic tour, the parade from say 1 – 1:30 p.m. from the Highway Barn to MHPI, and a cook-out at the Legion at 1:30 p.m. following the parade. The Board asked the Town Administrator to follow-up with Chief Darrin on the parade route and traffic and to post the event flier on the website.

***A motion to grant the Parade Permit for August 18<sup>th</sup> (Woodbury/Fritze) passed 5/0.***

- i) Action Item: American Legion Request for a One-Day Liquor License on August 18<sup>th</sup>. Gary Herle, Dan Meloche and Carol Southworth from the American Legion (Riders for Post #138) attended requesting a One-Day Liquor License for the event described above.

***A motion to grant the One-Day Liquor License for August 18<sup>th</sup> (Fritze/Berthiaume) passed 5/0.***

- f) Public Hearing: Request for an All Alcohol Pouring License for Kaboodle's Pizzeria and Grille, 152 Main Street. Chairman Pepe opened the hearing at 6:19 p.m. Ms. Salwa Mokrim was in attendance representing Kaboodle's. They have had a beer and wine license and would now like to be able to serve all alcohol. They have not had any issues with their current license.

Carol McPherson representing the Methodist Church stated that the Church Committee is not opposed to this application.

Chairman Pepe closed the public hearing at 6:22 p.m.

***A motion to grant the All Alcohol Pouring License for Kaboodle's (Woodbury/Berthiaume) passed 5/0.***

- g) Action Item: Is the proposed license detrimental to the educational and/or spiritual activities of the Spencer Methodist Church and the First Congregation Church which are located within 500 feet of said premises (Kaboodle's)?

***A motion that the proposed All-Alcohol License for Kaboodle's is not detrimental to the churches (Berthiaume/Woodbury) passed 5/0.***

- a) Action Item: Request for a License to hold a fair from the Spencer Agriculture Association for the Spencer Fair from August 31, 2012 through September 3, 2012. The annual request was mailed in by Allan Walker, President.

***A motion to grant the License for the Spencer Fair (Woodbury/Berthiaume) passed 5/0.***

- b) Action Item: Request from the Spencer Agriculture Association for one-way traffic pattern on Smithville Road and Smithville Cross Road for Labor Day Weekend for the Spencer Fair from August 31, 2012 through September 3, 2012. The annual request was mailed in by Allan Walker, President.

***A motion to grant the one-way traffic pattern for the Spencer Fair (Berthiaume/Woodbury) passed 5/0.***

- c) Action Item: Request from the Spencer Agriculture Association for Sunday Entertainment License for the Spencer Fair on September 2, 2012. The annual request was mailed in by Allan Walker, President.

***A motion to grant the Sunday Entertainment License for the Spencer Fair (Woodbury/Berthiaume) passed 5/0.***

- d) Action Item: Request for Road Race Permit (September 15, 2012) for MHPI. Ross Blacker from MHPI, 195 Main Street, was in attendance. He first thanks to

all that were involved to make the event successful the previous year. The event this year will include a 5K race and a 1-mile family fun run. The routes have been certified by USA Track & Field. Chief Darrin has also approved the event in terms of traffic control. There will be a banner across Main Street and on the MHPI building. Information is available on their website ([www.prouty5K.com](http://www.prouty5K.com)). Ross will be on the Talk of the Town on August 6<sup>th</sup> to promote the event. The proceeds from the event will go to all seniors in Town, not just MHPI residents.

Mr. Stevens asked about traffic and if people could still access their driveways. Ross said that feedback from last year was positive and that roads were not closed to the public.

***A motion to grant the Road Race Permit for MHPI (Woodbury/Fritze) passed 5/0.***

- e) Action Item: Request for Common Victualler License for Kosta's Café (formerly Arlron's), 31 Pleasant Street. Monika Raci and Kosta were present. They are applying for the new license due to change in ownership.

***A motion to grant the Common Victualler License for Kostas Café (Berthiaume/Woodbury) passed 5/0.***

Old Business:

- a) Discussion: DPHS Feasibility Project – Request of the Building Committee for funding availability. Paul Fournier and Josh Cote were present to discuss Mr. Fournier's email requesting a maximum allowance from the Towns for the proposed project. Mr. Fournier stated that the committee is undertaking its due diligence efforts and part of that is wondering what the 2 towns can afford. Chairman Pepe asked what the project cost estimates are at this time. Mr. Cote stated that they don't have any real numbers at this point. Mr. Berthiaume asked what spawned this request. Mr. Fournier stated that East Brookfield officials have expressed concerns about the overall cost of the project in terms of what they could afford. Mr. Berthiaume explained that they need to do something about the school, and what it costs is what it costs. Mr. Stevens explained that there is a process set up to review the needs of the school and that process should be allowed to run its course. Mr. Fournier stated that they would discuss this at the next committee meeting the following night, July 10, 2012.

Mr. Fournier added that there are 4 main options they will be discussing. One is to do minor renovations and get no reimbursement from MSBA, second is renovate with a small addition, third is renovate with a large addition, and fourth is a new school. These last 3 all have different MSBA reimbursement percentages.

Chairman Pepe advised that the Town Administrator could provide the Town's debt service schedule, our long range capital needs (major projects being Bay

Path, DPHS, and roads), and results of the FMPC study. The Board was not willing to provide an overall number on what Spencer could afford as the tax payers at the ballot box would determine if they could afford the project.

Town Administrator's Report:

- a) Bid Update: Mr. Gaudette stated that he will be meeting with the Fire Chief to discuss the results of the Fire Station Annex bid responses and also that the Library Roof project was well underway and that the U&F annual bids had been advertised and are being awarded.

Board Liaison Reports: None, DPHS Building Committee had previously been discussed in length.

Citizen Input: None

Board Member and Staff Comments:

Mr. Stevens asked the Town Administrator to clarify on his weekly report the process for which we handle air borne illnesses. Mr. Gaudette explained the process lead by the Board of Health.

Chairman Pepe reminded everyone that the Senior Center is now open at the Fish & Game.

Mr. Woodbury thanked the Highway Department for assisting with the Senior Center move.

Mr. Berthiaume thanked the Zukas' for allowing the Family Fun Day fireworks to be launched from their property.

Mr. Stevens thanked the Celebrations Committee for letting his mother-in-law do the countdown for the fireworks.

***A motion to adjourn (Berthiaume/Fritze) passed 5/0. The meeting concluded at 7:17 p.m.***

Respectfully submitted,

Adam D. Gaudette  
Town Administrator

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