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TOWN OF BELMONT
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
CONFERENCE ROOM 4
Monday, April 6, 2015
8:00 AM**

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board was called to order in open session at 8:08 a.m. by Chair Rojas in the Conference Room. Selectmen Baghdady and Paolillo were present. Town Administrator David Kale and Assistant Town Administrator Marshall were also present.

Chair Rojas reviewed the agenda.

QUESTIONS FROM TOWN RESIDENTS

[There were none.]

ACTION BY APPOINTMENT

Common Victualler License Application:

- Approval of a New Common Victualler License Application from Star Market
535 Trapelo Road

Mr. Steve Duran, Store Manager at Star Market, appeared before the Board to request a Common Victualler license for a Starbucks at Star Market. Mr. Duran noted that he would like to have tables and stools installed so customers can sit with their beverages. The Board discussed the number of seats; the license allows for eight seats but Mr. Duran would like 18.

Mr. Kale suggested that the Board approve the eight seats and then the application could be amended to reflect the number Mr. Duran would like (18).

The Board briefly discussed the matter and supported Mr. Kale's suggestion.

The Board moved: To approve the license request for Star Market for seating capacity of eight, as noted above.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

Executive Session I

The Board moved: To enter into executive session at 8:14 a.m. to discuss strategy sessions with non-union personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations (Belmont Cemetery) and to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property (Woodfall Road) if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body and the Chair so declares.

The Board will return to open session.

A roll call vote was taken: Chair Rojas said aye, Selectman Baghdady and Paolillo also said aye and the motion passed unanimously (3-0).

Executive Session I ended.

Open Session

The Board moved: To exit Executive Session and Return to Open Session at 9:24 a.m.

A roll call vote was taken: Chair Rojas said aye, Selectman Baghdady and Paolillo also said aye and the motion passed unanimously (3-0).

Town Administrator's Report

- Selectman Baghdady raised the issue of the override and its incivility. He suggested that the Board send a supplemental letter to the one sent on Friday (a copy of which was in front of the Board) which would serve to calm the residents. The Board discussed what would happen if the override did not pass. Selectman Baghdady expressed dismay at not having seen the letter on Friday, before it went out. The Board discussed sending the supplemental letter. Chair Rojas and Selectman Paolillo stated that the supplemental letter was not necessary since the letter already issued sentiment of the supplemental letter.

The Board moved: To send a supplemental letter to the residents – a statement of reassurance to the residents that the town will not “tank” if the override fails.

The motion failed (1-2).

Approval of Meeting Minutes

- February 17, 2015 - Regular Meeting
- February 17, 2015 - Executive Session
- February 23, 2015 - Regular Meeting
- March 2, 2015 - Executive Meeting
- March 2, 2015 - Regular Meeting
- March 12, 2015 - Regular Meeting
- March 12, 2015 - Precinct Informational Meeting

The Board moved: To approve the above noted meeting minutes, with Executive Session minutes, where noted.

The motion passed unanimously (3-0).

NEXT MEETINGS

Wednesday, April 8, 2015 – Town Hall

Tuesday, April 21, 2015 – Beech Street Center

The Board moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 a.m.



Mr. David Kale, Town Administrator

APPROVED
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
DATE: 5-28-2015