

Board of Selectmen Meeting: Monday, May 19, 2014

Present: Tsagaris, Gibbs, McCauley, Murphy

Absent: Searle

Also Present: Larsen, Jop

Minutes Approved: June 9, 2014

Meeting call to order: 7:00pm

Ms. Tsagaris noted that the Board will not meet next Monday due to the Memorial Day holiday and reviewed the details of the upcoming Memorial Day Observances. She thanked the Celebrations Committee, Police, Fire, DPW, MLP and other departments for a successful Wellesley Wonderful Weekend event. She noted the Town Government Study Committee has been formed and listed the members.

1. Citizen Speak

None

2. Executive Director's Update

Church Street Sidewalk and Memorandum of Understanding

Ms. Jop discussed the sidewalk expansion proposed at the corner of Abbott Street and Church Street. She noted at the last meeting the Board raised concerns with the distance which the parking spaces would extend out into the right of way at the last meeting. Ms. Jop displayed a revised plan of the area and reviewed how the parking spaces, sidewalk depth, and centerline striping has been altered to accommodate the Board's concerns.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. McCauley the Board voted (4-0) to approve the Memorandum of Understanding dated May 19, 2014 between the Town of Wellesley and Eden's Limited Partnership and further to authorize the Executive Director to sign said Memorandum.

Scholarship Recipients

Ms. Jop announced the scholarship recipients and awarded amounts for Babson College and Wesleyan College and noted that the War Memorial Scholarship recipients would be discussed in Executive Session. Ms. Tsagaris thanked the Wellesley Scholarship Foundation for all the work on the scholarships.

Approve Affordable rent increase for Waterstone

Ms. Jop noted a request was received from Waterstone asking to increase the affordable rents for the 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. She noted every year the property owners must certify the rents for the assisted units. The rent increase proposed equates to 4%. Ms. Jop noted that pending town approval the Department of Housing District Commission will certify this rent increase.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. McCauley the Board voted (4-0) to approve the request from Waterstone at Wellesley dated April 24, 2014 to increase the rent by \$55 to \$1355 for a 1-bedroom and \$63 to \$1525 for a 2-bedroom for low and moderate income units pending approval from the Department of Housing and Community Development.

3. Change in Manager Papa Razzi

Mr. Joshua Ferraro, General Manger, Papa Razzi Wellesley, joined the Board. Mr. Ferraro noted that the previous general manager left and took over two months ago and that there will be no further changes. Ms. Jop noted that their application was in order. Mr. Larsen suggested to Mr. Ferraro contact to Lt. Marie Cleary and touch base with her.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. McCauley the Board voted (4-0) to approve the request for a change in manager at Papa Razzi Trattoria of Wellesley Inc., d/b/a Papa Razzi, located at 16 Washington Street, from Russell Davis to Joshua Ferraro based on an application dated April 30, 2014.

Ms. Tsagaris noted that May 20, 2014 is a town election and reviewed the ballot questions.

See attached executive session minutes.

Advisory

Marjorie Freiman, Advisory Chair, joined the Board. Ms. Freiman noted that the Advisory Committee voted unanimously that Andy Patten would assume the Chair as of July 1. She noted Advisory will be working throughout the summer on a transition.

Old Business

Mr. Murphy noted last Monday, May 12, 2014 the ascertainment hearing for Comcast was held. He reminded residents there was another week remaining to submit written testimony to the Selectmen regarding the performance of Comcast under the contract, as well as future service residents would like to see Comcast provide. Mr. Murphy reviewed how residents may submit their testimony. Mr. McCauley questioned whether it was necessary for Comcast to provide testimony. Mr. Murphy noted it is not necessary or common practice. Mr. Larsen reviewed the next steps after the ascertainment hearing is closed.

4. North 40 Update

Mr. Larsen reviewed the makeup of the North 40 Committee and noted the Board is still waiting on a representative from the School Committee. The first meeting will be held on May 27. Mr. Larsen noted that if the Board has any further comments on the draft charge to submit them to the office. Ms. Tsagaris noted that Mr. McCauley has been designated as liaison on the committee and Mr. Murphy will be the alternate. She noted that all meetings will be taped and there will be citizens speak and that guests may sit and listen. She noted two neighbors will represent Weston Road and Woodlands General area. Mr. Larsen reviewed the committee members and alternates. Ms. Jop noted the GIS department will need to verify map information before including FAQ's on the Town's website.

5. Executive Session

The Board voted (4-0) to go into Executive Session with the Planning Board for the purposes of discussing pending litigation with Growth Homes and to discuss War Memorial Scholarships.

See attached executive session minutes

Mr. Robinson exited the meeting.

6. Retail Sale of Beer & Wine – Roche Bros.

Ms. Tsagaris opened the public hearing.

Representatives of Roche Bros., Jim Sperber, Maggie McLaughlin, Gene Richard and Kevin O'Brien joined the Board. Mr. Richard noted that RBSBW Enterprises, a wholly owned subsidiary of Roche Bros., is seeking a license for the retail sale of beer & wine. He briefly reviewed the background of Roche Bros. supermarkets and noted the current safeguards and systems in place in other stores which sell alcohol, works very well. He noted there is a great public need for the retail sale of beer and wine and awareness by Wellesley residents. The application specifics including the hours of operation, layout, delivery protocol and safeguard systems in place were discussed with the Board. Mr. Sperber noted that Roche Bros. will transfer their Bridgewater license to the Wellesley location. Mr. Richard noted that RBSBW is a subsidiary of Roche Bros.

Ms. Tsagaris closed public hearing at 9pm.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. McCauley the Board voted (4-0) to grant a retail sale of wines & malt beverage license, not to be consumed on the premises, to RBSBW Enterprises, a subsidiary of Roche Brothers, located at 184 Linden Street, based on an application dated April 08, 2014, and to name Margaret McLaughlin, Rick Pini, George Cromidas, Tim Hannon, Dan Lucey, Kelly Hess, Julie Ackley, John Trunfio and Brittany Menyo as managers and assistant managers of record, and further to grant delivery permits to license five vehicles.

Verizon Petition to relocate poles

Ms Tsagaris opened the public hearing regarding the Verizon petition to relocate poles at 9:04pm.

Elizabeth Kelley of Precision Valley Communications, an authorized agent of Verizon, joined the Board. Ms. Kelly reviewed the petition for the road widening and relocation of poles.

Upon a motion made by Ms. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. McCauley the Board voted (4-0) to approve the request of Verizon New England, Inc, dated May 16, 2014 to relocate, erect and maintain one (1) 40' class 2 jointly owned utility pole #11/8 on the southwesterly side of Rockland Street from its existing location northwesterly for a distance of 8 feet on Rockland Street toward the private property at No. 8, in order to accommodate town road widening at the intersection of Rockland and Linden Streets. The existing pole to be removed.

The Board of Selectmen meeting was adjourned at 9:07pm.