

February 5, 2019

The meeting of the Board of Selectmen held on Tuesday, February 5, 2019 beginning at 6:00pm in the Selectmen's Conference Room, Town Hall.

Members Present: Chairman Manny Silva, Derek DeBarge and Carmina Fernandes

Members Absent: Brian Mannix

First Order of Business: The Boy Scouts Troup 1774 joined in the Pledge of Allegiance

Visitations:

Jodi Zepke, Director of the Senior Center – Van

Jodi stated that their large 14 passenger van has been out of commission since October. It is not feasible to have it repaired. The van is going on ten years old with almost 150,000 miles on it and has three major repair issues, one is electrical the second is the lift issue, the third is a blown engine. The mechanic they brought it to did not want to take on the repair job because he cannot guarantee the work. The Senior Center transports six wheelchairs a week, and with the small van it is difficult and is not wheelchair lift accessible. Jodi would like to know how she can expedite getting a new van.

Mrs. Villano stated that this is a Capital project. Monetarily if you can find enough money to fund it immediately through what you have left in your budget you can proceed. The only thing that she can see if you cannot find the money in your budget is, if the Board opens a "Special" town meeting warrant and you put the article inside the special and the Board is okay with the use of free cash to fund that, you can within 7 days of the close of the May Town Meeting run with it. Ellie suggests talking to Capital. One other idea Ellie had was if Jodi can come up with half of it, they can possibly go to finance for the other half.

Class II Motor Vehicle License Hearing for Barry Linton at 6:30pm

Moved by Mrs. Fernandes, seconded by Mr. DeBarge to open the public hearing for the Class II Motor Vehicle License at 6:30pm. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

Mr. Linton: We are applying for a 5-car license for A&B, he is A and I am B. What we want to do is we want to sell classic cars, stuff we grew up with you know Chevelle's, Camaro's stuff like that. They will all be kept inside. What I showed on the site plan to the Planning Board is the last bay down, it's like 600 feet from the road, it's 30x50 with a 10x10 office and that's my bay. That's where they would be kept.

Mr. Silva: Hold on a second before you go any further I have to disclose that I do have a Class II License and I will have to recuse myself if you gentlemen are not okay with me making a logical decision for this. If that were to happen we would have to re-schedule because we only have three.

Mr. Linton: We do not have a problem with that. I know it's a little short-handed these days.

Mr. Silva: So, now you can go ahead.

Mr. Linton: I guess what we want to do, is I want to go to like Carlyle and buy a classic car there and maybe bring it to a car show and try and sell it there. You know, that type of stuff is not going to be outside, it's going to be kept inside and you know maybe drive it up on the hill just to sell during the day and back it into the garage at night and stuff like that, you know. That's what basically what we want to do.

Mr. Silva: Does anybody got any questions?

Mr. DeBarge: I don't Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Silva: You had a license there before?

Mr. Linton: Right. I had.

Mr. Silva: Was that turned in?

Mr. Linton: That was taken away from my tenant. That's at the first building up. If you look at the site plan, which I know you were looking at. That's the furthest building up, he had a fifteen-car license up there. And you know, he still needs the garage because he has a license in Ware. So, he has an office and a license in Ware, but he needs the garage over there.

Mr. Silva: So, there's not going to be two licenses.

Mr. Linton: No. There is only going to be one license.

Mr. Silva: That other one was turned in and expired.

Mrs. Fernandes: What kind of cars? Any classics?

Mr. Linton: Well classics, Chevelle's, you know.

Mrs. Fernandes: Classics has a wide...

Mr. Linton: I mean I am into trucks and stuff like that and he might be into more...

Mr. Simao: Camaro's and Firebirds. Actually, whenever you get a nice car, that's it. We always need customers.

Mr. Linton: Like I say, right now, he doesn't, the other guy that is down there, he is not allowed to put anything up at the street. Because there is a spot on the site plan for five cars up there, I think I put it in green. My bay is the last building down you know even when I try to get new tenants I try to shy away from automotive, you know. The last tenant I had was a well driller, he drills environmental wells and I have a fitness company in there now that, they are lifting bar bells and I ask them if they need me to lift that with a back ho I will get it.

Mr. Simao: Like Barry said, if we have them out during the day everything goes in at night. We can't afford to leave anything outside.

Mrs. Fernandes: Obviously neighbors are ok with it.

Mr. Silva: Are there any neighbors here? No. Ok so if somebody wants to make a motion.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge seconded by Mrs. Fernandes to approve the Class II Motor Vehicle License for A&B Classics. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

Moved by Mrs. Fernandes seconded by Mr. DeBarge to close the Barry Linton public hearing for Class II Motor Vehicle License at 6:36pm. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

Dr. Elinor Kelliher, Adrienne DeSantis and Carolyn Rogowski – Board of Health

The Board of Health has two requests for the Board of Selectmen. The first request is to change the designation for the two part-time health inspector positions to be re-classified as Special Municipal Employees. The reason is to give them more flexibility as Special Municipal Employees could be current town employees who would be able to apply for the position of Inspector. That would be a temporary measure until we can obtain approval for a Health Director. Second is the approval to have a full-time Health Director for the department who would act as a health agent and inspector.

Currently they are not meeting the required twice a year-state-inspections of all food establishments. In addition to that they are not able to respond to complaints in a timely manner. There are many towns in the surrounding areas that have a Health Inspector including Agawam, So. Hadley, Wilbraham and Palmer and Dr. Kelliher thinks having a Health Inspector would benefit the town greatly.

Mrs. Villano stated that the Special Municipal Employee designation should be immediate and the Health Director position effective for July 1 with the new budget.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge seconded by Mrs. Fernandes to approve the Special Municipal Employee designation for the Board of Health's part-time Health Inspector Position. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

Correspondence:

26. Kristin Burgess, Activities Director, Senior Center – Ludlow TRIAD requesting approval from the Board to hold a “National Night Out” event in August at the Ludlow Boys and Girls Club.

Moved by Mrs. Fernandes seconded by Mr. DeBarge to approve the “National Night Out” for the Ludlow TRIAD to be held in August at the Ludlow Boys and Girls Club. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

27. Melinda Kinney, Senior Director Government Affairs, Charter Communications – informing the Board of changes to the channel lineup.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge seconded by Mrs. Fernandes to file. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

28. Christ the King – Annual Beano Report 2018.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge seconded by Mrs. Fernandes to file. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

29. Christ the King Church – requesting a Beer and Wine One Day Special Permit for “Pasta Dinner” fundraiser to be held on February 16, 2019 from 5-9pm at the Parish Center. Board to waive fee if approved.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge seconded by Mrs. Fernandes to approve the request for a Beer and Wine One Day Special Permit for the Pasta Dinner fundraiser to be held February 16, 2019 from 5-9pm at the Parish Center and also to waive the fee for Christ the King Church. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

30. Douglas Stafancik, Ludlow Town Planner – informing the Board of the approved site plan for Chapin Street Elementary School to be located at 766 Chapin Street, they also approved the waiver of fee.

Moved by Mrs. Fernandes to file.

31. Andrew B. McCaul, Senior Transportation Planner, PVPC – PVPC is starting the developmental process for the 2020-2024 Transportation Improvement Program. The sub-committee meeting will be held on February 13, 2019 at 9am at PVPC.

Moved by Mrs. Fernandes seconded by Mr. DeBarge to file. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

32. Louis Gilli, Environmental Engineer – MMWEC – informing the Board that MMWEC will be conducting the quarterly inspection of its natural gas pipeline.

Moved by Mrs. Fernandes seconded by Mr. DeBarge to file. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

33. Springfield Water and Sewer Commission – Notification of Drinking Water Contaminants. Contact jaimye.bartek@waterandsewer.org for further information about this notification (info given to BoH, Tn Clerk, Library and posted on Website and Facebook).

Moved by Mrs. Fernandes seconded by Mr. DeBarge to file. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

34. Melissa Graves, Ludlow Resident – requesting action from the Board regarding her letter sent to the DPW dated November 28th.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge seconded by Mrs. Fernandes to send a correspondence to the DPW to find out what this letter is all about from Mrs. Graves. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

35. Jai Umiya Ma. Inc. dba/Ludlow Shell Convenience – requesting the Board to schedule a Public Hearing for a Wine and Malt Package Store License to be located at 227 Center Street, Ludlow.

Moved by Mrs. Fernandes seconded by Mr. DeBarge to schedule a Public Hearing for the Wine and Malt Liquor License to be located at 227 Center Street, Ludlow. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

36. John Niedzielski, LSP Environmental Services Manager ATC Group Services – a copy of the Permanent Solution Statement and Method 3 Risk Characterization was submitted to the MassDEP for O’Connell Oil Assoc. Inc., located at 227 Center Street.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge seconded by Mrs. Fernandes to file. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

37. DuAnne Pasquini, 50th Celebration Planning Committee Member, St. Elizabeth Catholic Community – requesting the Board issue to a commendation in honor of Monsignor Gosselin for his 50 years of priestly service.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge seconded by Mrs. Fernandes to approve the Celebration Planning Committee at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Community and issue a commendation in honor of Monsignor Gosselin for his 50 years of priestly service. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

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TOWN OF LUDLOW

Unfinished Business:

Board to approve and sign the First Amendment to the Purchase and Sales Agreement between the Town of Ludlow and Westmass Area Development Corp., for the parcel of land for the new senior center.

Moved by Mrs. Fernandes seconded by Mr. DeBarge to approve and sign the First Amendment to the Purchase and Sales Agreement between the Town of Ludlow and Westmass Area Development Corp., for the parcel of land for the new senior center. Vote 2-0 1 abstention. Mrs. Fernandes abstains from voting on the Westmass Land acquisition for the senior center.

Board to sign the One Day Special Permit for Christ the King Church "Pasta Dinner" Fundraiser if approved.

New Business:

The Board to discuss the possibility of joining East of the River 5 Town Chamber.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge seconded by Mrs. Fernandes that the Ludlow Board of Selectmen join the East of the River 5 Town Chamber. Vote 3-0 all in favor.

Board to peruse the Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of December 18, 2018, January 8, 2019 and January 15, 2019.

Board to peruse the Board of Selectmen's Executive Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2019 and January 15, 2019.

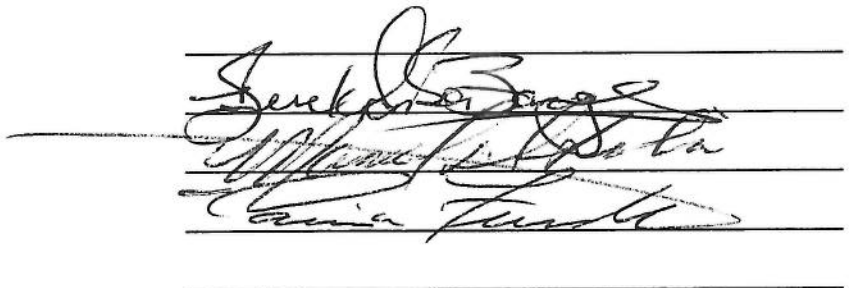
Closing Comments:

Mrs. Fernandes wanted to thank everyone for the well wishes and prayers. Mrs. Fernandes just wanted to remind everyone that Cancer does not discriminate. If you're a woman, please get your mammogram.

Mr. DeBarge stated that he was so happy to see Carmina return to the meetings.

Moved by Mr. DeBarge seconded by Mrs. Fernandes to adjourn. Vote 3-0 all in favor

The Board did not enter into Executive Session.

The image shows three handwritten signatures in black ink, each written over a horizontal line. The signatures are cursive and appear to be of the members of the Ludlow Board of Selectmen.

Ludlow Board of Selectmen

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