

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Wednesday, October 19, 2016

Swampscott, MA 01907

Attendance: Chairman, Naomi Dreeben, Vice Chair, Laura Spathanas, Selectman Pat Jones, Don Hause, Peter Spellios, and Interim Town Administrator, Gino Cresta.

Promotion:

Chief Kevin Breen of the Swampscott Fire Department spoke on a recommendation of a Promotion of Firefighter Steven Greenbaum to the rank of permanent Lieutenant. The Board of Selectman approved the recommendation. All Board members wished Lt. Greenbaum the best in his future.

Public Hearing:

The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to open public hearing during the Board of Selectmen's meeting for all parties interested in an application for a Section 15 Package Store request from Richdale / 444 Atlantic, Inc. , Swampscott, Mass , for a Common Victuallers License under the provisions of Chapter 138, Section 15 of the General Laws as amended to sell Malt Beverages and Wine not to be consumed on the premises, described as first floor premises with approximately 2,000 Square Feet, One entrance, Two exits, with no seating 445 Humphrey Street Swampscott, Mass , seconded by Selectman Jones. A roll call vote was taken.

Attorney Chris Drucas represented Richdale / 444 Atlantic Inc, -Manager Alpha Patel / Prahladbhai who were also present. Hours of operation were discussed which would be 8-10PM -Monday-Saturday and 10AM -10PM on Sundays.

Abutter's spoke in opposition:

Resident Lisa Carangelo, 11 Bay View Avenue , Swampscott, Mass, spoke in opposition of the above request due to her concerns of empty bottle and cans of beer, being close in proximity to the waterfront and boating and drinking.

Resident John Kirby, 52 Bay View Drive, Swampscott, Mass , has concerns regarding traffic, future of the store turning into a package store, physical act of buying is his concern, believes this is a terrible idea, quality of life will be interrupted.

Discussion by Board members on the above request.

Selectman Dreeben would like to be informed if the above areas of concerns continue.

DPW Director, Gino Cresta offered his crew to clean up the space where it is believed to be littered.

Selectman Dreeben spoke on recent turnover at the location, and inquired about other liquor licenses operated by the applicant.

Selectman Dreeben asked if signs pertaining to the advertisement of beer such as and including light up signs are able to be used in the windows ---DPW, Director Gino Cresta replied no.

*Selectman Hause voiced his concern with the space and believes he does not see the benefit of limited space for beer and wine sales.*

*Selectman Spellios spoke on window signage. Selectman Spellios spoke on a system in place regarding traffic which was heard by the ZBA when the above applicant went before them.*

*The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to close the public hearing, seconded by Selectman Jones. Roll call vote was taken.*

*Vote of the Board:*

*The Board voted three to two in favor on a motion by Selectman Spellios to approve the request from Richdale, 444 Humphrey Street, Swampscott, Mass for a Section 15, Package store license for beer and wine only, seconded by Selectman Spathanas. Selectman Hause and Selectman Jones opposed the motion.*

*Warrant Discussion:*

*Dave Castellarin, Town Account briefly went over recent changes to the Town Meeting Warrant Articles.*

- *Article 1-to hear Town reports by Boards-School Committee and the Disability Committee.*
- *Article 2-Change of money /uncompensated balance / trash contract/ raise and appropriate for this project / funding.*
- *Article 3-Raise and appropriate / Stacy Brook stage 1.*
- *Article 4-Coastal Zone management / Capital Improvements Committee's did not approve / Selectman Spellios questioned why the Capital Improvements Committee is involved in this article*
- *Article 6-Street light purchase.*
- *Article 7-Historic District Commission-minor edit for legal advertisement –minor no negative impact on the residents.*

*Complete Street Policy:*

*Pete Kane, Director of Community Development gave a presentation and overview of this policy and a possible vote to adopt.*

- *Not subject to funding*
- *Leverage on future contracts*
- *Twice a year report back to the Board of Selectman.*
- *Benefits of complete streets for the elderly, disabled and children.*
- *What if the Town does not have funding was asked.*
- *Concerned with a paving plan already in affect / Board in a position to make changes to an already implemented plan on a case by case scenario.*

*The Board decided to move the Complete Street Policy to the next agenda on November 2, 2016, for a formal vote after wording is revised and edited amendments have been made.*

Town Administrator's Report:

*Gino Cresta, Interim Town Administrator spoke on the following:*

- *Mr. Cresta was welcomed by the Board on his new role at Interim Town Administrator.*
- *Met with Department Heads and will continue that meeting schedule with Department Heads.*
- *Water Main project –Selectman Dreeben asked about Thomson Road & Elmwood-Mr. Cresta stated these streets are not scheduled to be redone until possible the winter time.*
- *Roadway paving will continue in the spring.*
- *Tri-Chair meeting reviewed. –These meetings will be twice a month.*
- *RFP / Greenwood opened.*

Votes of the Board:

- 1) The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to Close Town Meeting warrant, seconded by Selectman Jones.*
- 2) The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to approve meeting minutes from September 7, 2016, September 13, 2016 and September 21, 2016, seconded by Selectman Jones*
- 3) The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Hause to Approve a one day beer & wine permit for the First Church Nursery School, 40 Monument Avenue, Swampscott, Mass to be held on October 21, 2016 from 7-10PM., seconded by Selectman Spathanas.*
- 4) The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Spathanas to approve a request to hang banners from the Swampscott Youth Soccer at the Clark School, Phillips Park, Lower Jackson for four weeks per year-2weeks in October-November & 2weeks in May-June, seconded by Selectman Jones.*
- 5) The Board voted unanimously on a motion by Selectman Spellios on the Access Agreement between the Town of Swampscott and the Covenant Commonwealth Corporation relating to the development of the Machon School located at 35 Burpee Road, Swampscott, Mass, seconded by Selectman Hause.*

Executive Session:

*The Board voted on a motion by Selectman Spellios to discuss competitively-sensitive or other proprietary information provided in the course of activities conducted by a Governmental body as an energy supplier under a license granted by the Department of Public Utilities pursuant to Section 1F of Chapter 164, in the course of activities conducted as a municipal aggregator under Section 134 of said Chapter 164 or in the course of activities conducted by a cooperative consisting of a governmental entities organized pursuant to Section 136 of said Chapter 164, when such governmental bodies, municipal aggregator determines that such disclosure will adversely affect its ability to conduct business in relation to other entities making, selling or distributing electric power or energy, seconded by Selectman Jones. Roll Call vote was taken.*

*See executive session meeting minutes.*

*True Attest: Maureen Shultz, Administrative Assistant*

