

Minutes
Select Board Meeting – Hastings Community Center
Thursday, May 27, 2021
6:00 PM

Richard Murray III
Thomas Klinepeter

Kimberly Clarke
Thomas Kingsbury

Klinepeter opened the Public Hearing on Application for Mobile Vending License for Saco River Brewing. Representatives from Saco River Brewing explained that this is a renewal of a permit and allows them to have varying food trucks at the brewery. There were no public comments.

Klinepeter opened the Public Hearing for Application for Special Amusement Permit for Saco River Brewing. It was confirmed that 7 pm is the latest that there would be music. There were no public comments.

Klinepeter opened the Public Hearing for Application for Mobile Vending License for Binny's Cart. Bobbi-Jo Gerry explained her proposed mobile vending proposal. She will locate at various locations and it was noted that she had signed permissions from property owners. There were no public comments.

Klinepeter called the Select Board Meeting to order and declared a quorum. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Kingsbury made a motion to approve the Select Board Meeting Minutes of May 13, 2021, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

Clarke made a motion to approve the Mobile Vending License for Saco River Brewing, which was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously.

Clarke made a motion to approve the Special Amusement Permit for Saco River Brewing, which was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously.

Kingsbury made a motion to approve the Mobile Vending License for Binny's Cart, which was seconded by Murray and passed unanimously.

The singular winter sand bid was opened. PY Estes submitted a bid price of \$11.39/cy of winter sand. Public Work's Director Lester France confirmed that it is good sand. Clarke made a motion to accept PY Estes bid, which was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously.

The Sidewalk Replacement Bid was opened. PY Estes submitted a bid price of \$35,000 with prep and finish work included and a bid price of \$29,000 with no prep/finish work. Solid Ground submitted a bid price of \$71,275 (included prep work). After discussion about the value and benefit of having the contractor do the prep work, Kingsbury made a motion to accept the PY Estes bid of \$35,000, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

The Metal Hauling/Recycling Bid was opened. Grimmell Industries submitted a bid of \$170/ton and Ricker Auto Salvage submitted a bid of \$130/ton. Clarke made a motion to accept Grimmell Industries bid, which was seconded by Murray and passed unanimously.

Department Head Reports: France provided an update on cemetery prep in advance of Memorial Day, Hemlock Bridge Road gravel placement and there was a discussion about a dangerous intersection at Smith/Warren St due to trees.

Tom Rebmann was present from the Upper Saco Cultural Alliance to speak to Board about the American Legion. Chris Whitaker was present from PVHI. Whitaker explained what PVHI has been doing for its teen program at the Legion and noted that they wish to continue their current lease to include USCA. There was discussion on the timing and process to continue to lease the Legion to the public. Rebmann provided a history of USCA and their mission statement and their goal of offering activities and facilitate cultural involvement locally. He believes that the Legion is underutilized. Rebmann proposed using the downstairs office for USCA and PVHI office space. Rebmann will be able to assist with some building upkeep.

Kingsbury spoke in support of the proposal as long as the building is still available to the general public for events. There was discussion about the scheduling and the varying user groups of the Legion (historically and currently). Clarke wanted to ensure that the scheduling of the building is inclusive of all users. There was discussion about the process moving ahead in terms of leases and MOU's. Kingsbury made a motion to proceed with pursuing the proposal by USCA to use the building. The motion was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

Clarke made a motion to appoint Jacob Scheffer to the Parks, Open Space & Beautification Committee, which was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously. Scheffer was present and introduced himself.

Kingsbury made a motion to approve a tax abatement for the Susan Keenan Revocable Trust (Tax Map 028, Lot 016) in the amount of \$1,830.24, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

Clarke made a motion approve the proposed Library Mission Statement as proposed by Library Director Jennifer Spofford as follows: It is the mission of the Fryeburg Public Library, within a friendly and inclusive atmosphere, to provide universal access to knowledge and learning through print, electronic resources, cultural activities, programs and services. It is our goal to meet the educational, informational, cultural and intellectual needs of the community.) The motion was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously.

Clarke made a motion to approve use of Bradley Park for "Arts in the Park" on August 28th, which was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously.

Kingsbury made a motion to accept the MMA Safety Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$1,666.83 to be used for the purchase of 20 Fire Department flashlights, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

Kingsbury made a motion to accept a \$10 Dunkin Donuts Gift Card for the Police Department by an anonymous donor, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

Haley provided her Town Managers Report. Clarke made a motion to accept the report, which was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously.

Other Business: Clarke wants to ensure that there is adequate public notice about the Town Meeting location and parking. Kingsbury paid tribute to the men and women who gave their lives serving the country in light of the upcoming Memorial Day. Klinepeter inquired about the CA Snow School. Haley relayed that closing should take place by mid-June and that Avesta is working on their Planning Board application.

Clarke followed up with a question about the events from the Planning Board meeting on Tuesday. Rebmann (a Planning Board member) provided an overview of the meeting. The meeting consisted of a public hearing related to an adult use marijuana application and it was contentious with heated discussion. Based on the overview

provided Clarke commented that a specific board member should be spoken to about decorum and be reminded to follow the ordinance and ignore bias. It was confirmed that there are 2 openings for alternate board members.

Public Forum: Daymond Steer asked if the Select Board was anticipating impacts on Fryeburg based on Conway's recent actions related to short-term rentals and parking fees. Clarke replied at length. She commented that people should compare the signs at the Conway beaches to the Weston's Beach sign. She wants all people, notably locals, to be able to enjoy our spaces without financial limitations. She also commented that she has never seen such divisiveness and contention and that Conway is painting a mean and nasty image of Conway for its tourists. Klinepeter also commented that the Board is watching Conway and learning how to not proceed. He relayed a personal story of family who had intended to visit and stay in a short-term rental.

Steer asked about the relationship between the Select Board and the Planning Board and whether Planning Board members can be recalled. Haley does believe that PB members can be recalled in certain situations.

Kingsbury made a motion to approve Payroll Warrants #94 & 96 and Accounts Payable Warrants #95 & 97, which was seconded by Clarke and passed unanimously.

Murray made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Kingsbury and passed unanimously.

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