

TOWN OF FREETOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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COUNCIL ON AGING
227 CHACE ROAD, EAST FREETOWN, MASSACHUSET

6:00 P.M. Call to Order by Selectman Sadeck opens meeting at 6:06pm present Selectmen Lisa Pacheco, Selectmen Lee Baumgartner and Town Administrator Richard Brown. Recorded by MCCAM and Selectman Sadeck.

Signing of Biweekly payroll/vendor warrants Weekly Public Discussion period

Lucile Rosa, Chairman of the Library Trustees would like to bring up that various patrons have taken out library materials and not returned them for a long time. She would like direction as to what they should we do about this. We have written a circulation policy. Chief Abbott gave her a delinquency letter to send out. We now need some guidance from the Board as to what to do. There are state laws. Once the Trustees decide as to what they would like to do how would you like us to move forward. Selectman Sadeck says if you bring us a plan then we will forward it to Town Counsel and make sure it is proper. Selectman Pacheco says she is not sure what view we have over it. Mr. Brown asks if there is any remedy over the Sails network. Would these patrons not be allowed to withdraw from other libraries? Mrs. Rosa believes so. Selectman Pacheco ask how many? Mrs. Rosa doesn't know that exact amount. There is more than one she believes. Selectman Pacheco asks if the Board of Selectman has any purview over this. She would like Mr. Brown to find out about this from Town Counsel.

Consent Agenda

Board of Selectmen: Action relative to:

- Annual renewal of liquor and other licenses issued by the Board of Selectmen. Motion (Pahceco/Baumgartner) to approve all licenses as presented below. Passed unanimously:
 - o All Alcohol Innholder-Assonet Inn, Inc.
 - o All Alcohol Package Store-Assonet Star Market, Inc.; New England Farms, Inc.
 - o All Alcohol Veterans Club-Freetown Memorial Post #6643, VFW
 - o All Alcohol Restaurant- Independence Harbor, Inc.; The Nephew's Italian American Kitchen, Inc.
 - Wine & Malt Package Store- Grandpa's Place, Inc.; Mason Road Food Mart, Corp.

- o Entertainment License-Independence Harbor, Inc.; The Nephew's Italian American Kitchen, Inc.; Freetown Memorial Post #6643, VFW.
- o Jukebox Licenses- Assonet Inn, Inc.; Freetown Memorial Post #6643, VFW.
- o Automatic Amusement Devices- Assonet Inn, Inc.; Freetown Memorial Post #6643, VFW
- Sale of Second-Hand Furniture and Merchandise- My Friend's Place 2;
 Winter Hill Antiques
- Annual renewal of Class II and Class III Motor Vehicle License and other licenses by the Board of Selectmen. Motion (Baumgartner/Pacheco) to approve all licenses as presented below. Passed unanimously:
 - Class II Motor Vehicle Licenses: Bob's Motor Works; Clermont's Auto Sales;
 Chuck's Import Village;
 - Class III Motor Vehicle Licenses: J&T Auto Salvage; East Freetown Auto Salvage, LLC; D.M. Auto Enterprises; Westgate Auto;
 - o Auctioneer License Renewal for J&T Auto Salvage
 - o Selectman Sadeck states that licenses are only issued to people who are current on their taxes or to people who have a current payment plan in place.
- Approval of Minutes from November 1, 2013 and November 12, 2013. Hold off on these minutes.
- Approve list of applicants for the Senior Work Off Program submitted by the Council on Aging Director, Barbara Place. Sadeck explains that people come into the Town offices and help the Motion (Baumgartner/Pacheco) to approve the applicants as listed and keep this private. Passed unanimously.
- Discuss Town Office Business Hours for Christmas Eve and New Years Eve. Motion (Baumgartner/Pacheco) to close the Town Offices on Christmas Eve at Noon to the public and to close Town offices on New Year's Eve at Noon to the Public. If any employee wishes to take the day off, they must use personal or vacation time. Passed unanimously.
- Constellation Energy aggregate power to municipalities. We can either negotiate with other people or continue with this company. Our rates will raise .01 per KWH. Motion (Pahceco/Baumgartner) to approve as per the recommendation of the Town Administrator Richard Brown. Passed unanimously. Mr. Brown said he will have another one for them to sign later.

Board of Health:

Personnel Board:

New Business:

Dates for upcoming Board of Selectmen Meetings, Monday January 13th, Monday January 27th.

Old Business:

- Status of Website upgrade by Virtual Town Hall. Thursday training @ 9am at Freetown Fire Department.
- Status of Financial Management Policy Manual.
- Key Fobs for Town Buildings. They will come Dec 10th for the final install.
- Employee Handbook Mr. Brown states we will have the meeting soon.
- Feasibility Study- Mr. Brown states there was a meeting today and they are doing well so far they have met with everyone. Things are moving along.
- Budget Timeline First meeting is moving along. Selectman Pacheco suggest a Dept Head meeting before Board of Selectman's meeting. Mr. Brown to send out notice to Dept. Heads.
- Missing bounds Rochester and Acushnet do not know about this and John Ashley will help Richard when he gets back from vacation.
- LIUNA status Brown got a hold of Joe McArdle and I am waiting on Janice to return. Selectman Pacheco wants an end to this by Wednesday when Janice is back.
- Discussion of Freetown Elementary lease agreement with Freetown Lakeville Regional School System
 - Snowplowing cost
 - o Insurance cost
 - o Use of building cost

Selectman Pacheco sent an email to Mr. Brown regarding Taunton casino - Mr. Brown will do.

Selectman Sadeck explains that the meeting will be scheduled for Dec 17th at 10 or 11 for the explanation of Net School Spending in Boston.

Selectman Baumgartner states that the Planning Board needs to appoint in conjunction with the Board of Selectman and also one person has declined appointment. Selectman Sadeck explains that he had recused himself because his brother was one of the people.

Selectman Sadeck wishes Happy Holidays and Happy New Year to everyone!

Executive Session:

<u>Adjournment of regular meeting</u> Motion (Pacheco/Baumgartner) to adjourn at 6:34 P.M. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ali Golz, Administrative Assistant