

**Selectmen Meeting
Minutes
March 14, 2012**

Selectman Connolly, Selectman Sargent, Selectman LeBlanc, Selectman Dziokonski and Chairman Dickhaut were in attendance. Attendee was Town Administrator Ward. Chairman Dickhaut opened the meeting at 7:05PM.

Review of Minutes

The board received minutes from the February 29, 2012 Selectmen's Meeting for review and approval. Selectman LeBlanc made a motion to approve minutes as presented. Selectman Sargent seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Liquor License Transfer Public Hearing: 58 High Street

Chairman Dickhaut opened the meeting inviting the applicant to come forward and state their name and address. Mr. William Grady Jr. of 108 Highland Street and Mr. Robert Nierintz of 108 Highland Street were before the board. Chairman Dickhaut explained all the documents presented are in order and she is aware the applicants have been long time patrons of the business. Mr. Grady agreed, he reviewed he helped with the restorations that took place back in 1994. Since the completion of the renovations and the reopening he has been a patron every Sunday. The business has evolved since Tena has taken it over and there are a lot of community events. The plan is to make no changes at this time. It is a focal point of the downtown and he hopes it remains that. They intend to host many cultural and charitable events. Mr. Nierintz explained he has 9 years experience in food management with a degree from Boston University in hotel and restaurant management. At this time he is working with Fidelity which is closing so this is a good opportunity, he will work full time at the business. Chairman Dickhaut open the hearing to board members for questions or comments. Selectman Connolly offered congratulations and wished them the best with keeping the business going; he requested they bring back the pencil box give -a - way before the first day of school. Selectman Dziokonski reviewed there is a typo with application; he explained a correction is needed on financial page. He offered congratulations and explained he is very happy to approve the transfer. Chairman Dickhaut opened the hearing for public comment. She asked opened the hearing for public comment in favor of the transfer, there was none; the hearing was opened for public comment against there was none. Selectman LeBlanc made a motion to approve the transfer application as presented. Selectman Connolly seconded the motion. Under Discussion: Chairman Dickhaut wished the new owners all the best along with much success. The vote was unanimous.

Fiscal Year 2013 Budget Discussions

Administrator Ward reviewed he has sent out requests for budgets, a budget packet will be put together and department hearings will be scheduled. Selectman Dziokonski asked for his information to be put on an excel spreadsheet. Administrator Ward stated he will put all budget requests on spreadsheet. The board agreed to begin scheduling budget hearings requests for review.

Administrative Business

Fire Chief Monthly Report

Fire Chief Hart submitted a monthly report relative to the operations of his department for the month of January 2012 for the Selectmen's review and approval. Selectman Connolly made a motion to accept the report as presented. Selectman Sargent seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Town Hall Use Commission Events

Town Administrator Ward reviewed Town Hall Use Commission recommended use on the following date:

05/24/12 Nypro Annual Service Awards

Selectman LeBlanc made a motion to approve the date as presented. Selectman Connolly seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Old & New Business

Friends of Seniors Fundraiser

Selectmen Sargent explained at the Leprechaun Convention he was approached by Senior Center Director. Ms. Bailey explained there is an upcoming program in partnership with the Youth Council on Aging coming up on March 21, 2012. He explained they are selling bracelets as a fundraiser for the seniors. He encouraged all to participate by buying a bracelet.

Town Hall Roof Repairs

Administrator Ward reviewed there are some roof tiles that need replacing, due to damage from ice. He has received an initial quote of \$7500.00 which will cover the repair costs, but he would like to have the entire roof reviewed while the repairs are being completed to ensure nothing is overlooked. He intends to get additional quotes. At this time he is requesting the board support a transfer fund request in the amount of \$10,000.00, the request will then be presented to the Finance Committee. Selectman LeBlanc made a motion to approve the transfer request as presented. Selectman Sargent seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

John Philip Sousa Band Festival

Administrator Ward reviewed he had been contacted by the Clinton Middle School Band Leader notifying him the Clinton Middle School band had received an invitation to play at the Sousa Band Festival on April 21, 2012 at 3:00PM at the Bromfield School in Harvard. Ms. Quist also extended an invitation to members of the Board of Selectmen to attend the event and accept a commemorative plaque of John Philip Sousa April 11,

1901 performance at the Clinton Town Hall. The Sousa Foundation has asked if the board would like to have the plaque made to display on the outside or inside of the building. Selectman Connolly suggested the plaque be made for display on the inside of the building. The board agreed.

People to People Ambassador Program

Administrator Ward reviewed the board had received a request for a donation from Alana Baris, a student at Clinton High School who has been chosen to participate in the People to People Ambassador Program. Selectman Sargent made a motion to donate \$100.00 or the same amount given in the past, not to exceed the amount previously donated. Selectman Connolly seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Committee Reports

Cable Committee

Selectmen Sargent explained the committee met recently to discuss the new equipment needed. The next meeting is scheduled in two weeks.

Senior Building Needs Committee

Selectman LeBlanc reported the project is moving in the right direction slow and steady.

Government Reorganization Committee

Selectmen Connolly reviewed the committee had recently met and will continue to meet weekly. By the beginning of April the committee will have substantial recommendations to submit to the board.

World War I Monument Committee

Selectman Dziokonski explained the committee met and are working on identifying the tree and reviewing the process for scheduling a hearing to remove the tree. The location has been stalked out by Mr. Bates, this is not the exact area approved by the American Legion so the intention to hold a joint meeting to review. Selectman Dziokonski explained he is confident the project will move forward with everyone pleased.

Public Comment

Clinton Youth Council Upcoming Event

Selectman LeBlanc announced there is an upcoming event on March 21, 2012 at 3:00PM at the Clinton High School hosted by the Clinton Youth Council. He hopes all will attend.

Parking Limit in Front of Town Hall

Selectman Sargent reviewed he has been approached by a concerned citizen regarding the 15 minute parking in front of the town hall. The concern is 15 minutes is not enough

time to allow a citizen to conduct the needed business in the town hall. He would like to propose the parking limit be changed from 15 to 30 minutes to accommodate those conducting business in the town hall. The board agreed. Selectman Sargent made a motion to change the parking limitation in front of the town hall from 15 minutes to 30 minutes. Selectman Connolly seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Executive Session Article 3 Health Insurance Negotiations 7:30PM – 8:00PM

Selectman LeBlanc made a motion at 7:30 PM to enter into Executive Session under article 3 for Health Insurance Negotiations. Selectman Connolly seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Selectman LeBlanc “aye”, Selectman Sargent “aye”, Selectman Connolly “aye”, Selectman Dziokonski “aye”, and Chairman Dickhaut “aye”.

Chairman Dickhaut reviewed the board will be in Executive Session and will not return to open session.

Selectman LeBlanc made a motion at 8:00PM to adjourn. Selectman Connolly seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Clinton Board of Selectmen