

**SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, June 4, 2018**  
**7:00 PM**  
**TOWN OFFICES, 50 MAIN STREET**

**Present:**

Don Chabon, Chuck Cardillo, Danielle Fillio

**Call to Order:**

Don called the meeting to order.

**Announcements:**

Don thanked all involved for the successful Memorial Day events.

Don noted upcoming Board meeting dates of 6/4, Mon. at 7pm, 6/13, Wed. at 9am, 6/25, Mon. at 7pm, 7/7, Sat. at 10am (Second Homeowners) and 7/9, Mon. at 7pm.

Don said that the Town has a handout solicitation policy in place.

**Status Reports:**

Don summed up items from the previous meeting and upcoming items.

**Minutes:**

Don moved to approve minutes of 3/28, 5/2, 5/9, and 5/16. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

**Agenda:**

**Public Hearing - National Grid:**

Don moved that they open the hearing for National Grid. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Sandra Annis from National Grid presented adding new underground utilities to supply an electric service to the Naumkeag property.

Don moved that the hearing be closed. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Don moved to approve the application as presented with the understanding that the Highway Superintendent and the Police Chief must be notified and consulted with. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

**Policy: Stockbridge Compactor and Recycle Center:**

Don stated that they are attempting to have the Town Compactor become more effective and more efficient to keep up with costs and trends. They are making recommendations to the Board of Health, as they have final jurisdiction.

Don read highlights of a new policy: for resident stickers \$60 for the first sticker and \$15 for additional cars. The hours will remain the same for now but will be looked at in the future as they are much greater than most other towns. The Transfer Station is for residents only and proof of will be checked for at purchase. The stickers must be permanently attached to the vehicles, is specific to the license plate and is nontransferable. Concerning enforcement, the operator will check for the attached sticker and advise if not able to use the facilities; there will be penalties for resistance and unauthorized use. Specialty items will have an updated price list. There may also be adopted an alternative drop of other bulky items.

Sticker cost was addressed by the Board.

Don and Chuck decided to keep the sticker fee of \$50 for the first vehicle, \$15 for the second, and bringing some bulky items to Lenox Valley free of charge and some to be paid for by the Town. Other accepted items at specified costs will remain to be dropped at the Transfer Station.

Chuck stated that the hours of operation will be looked at in the future as the Town runs at 56 hours which is much higher than other Towns. Danielle noted that the new sticker cycle will be July 15<sup>th</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup> and stickers will be available for sale on the first business day in July.

Don moved that they accept and recommend the residential policy as discussed to the Board of Health. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Next addressed was Commercial Permits. Danielle reviewed the current process with commercial haulers. Present were representatives of the Red Lion Inn and Austen Riggs. Suggested rates would be \$10 per cubic yard and they will be charged by full and half loads. The sticker for commercial would increase to \$75. For the time being, there will be no charge for recycling materials from commercial, but costs will be looked into. Bulky items are required to be brought to Lenox Valley.

Don moved that they approve the commercial policy as discussed and to present to the Board of Health. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

In Lieu of Taxes:

Don read a thank you letter to Austin Riggs Center in appreciation for their in lieu of taxes payment of \$16,000.00.

One Day Permits:

Don moved that they approve an entertainment permit for Waldorf High School for a Sock Hop on June 10<sup>th</sup>. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Berkshire Theatre Festival presented their requests to have opening night events, one at the Fitzpatrick Main Stage Tent and four at the Unicorn Theatre Patio. They will only need an additional alcohol license for the event held at the Main Stage Tent. They are also looking to go until 12:00am. Chuck said that if after 11:00 pm there will be no amplified music or noise after 11:00 pm.

Chuck moved to approve the entertainment and alcohol permits for Berkshire Theater Festival for 6/16, 7/1, 7/7, 8/4, 8/18, and 9/24 to last until 12:00 a.m. barring no amplification or loud noises after 11:00 p.m. Don seconded; all were in favor.

Leases for the Stockbridge Town Office Building (50 Main Street):

The tenant leases are due to expire in August and at this time they will need to go out to bid. One change is that the gym will be usable during the day hours. Don moved that they authorize Danielle to move forward with the RFP bidding process. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Planning Board Request:

The Planning Board had requested an increase to \$300.00 for the Special Permitting process to cover costs.

Don moved to authorize to increase the Planning Board Special Permit Fee from \$200 - \$300. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Insurance Reimbursement:

Danielle explained that Berkshire Health Group voted to switch all employees to a deductible plan last year and it required the Town to give 25% of the cost savings back to the employees. The Board needs to forward the proposal to IAC and PEC committees and once agreed, the Town can issue checks to the employees.

Don moved to authorize to forward the reimbursement proposal to the IAC and PEC committees. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Special Permit Applications:

Don moved that they open the special permit for Harold Kobrin & Sonya Morrison for property located at 14 Pine Street. Chuck seconded; all were in favor. Due to the fact that there is no quorum of the Board Don moved that the hearing be continued to Monday June 25th at 7:00 p.m. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Town Employee Comp Time:

There was discussion re – comp time for non-union employees. Don suggested that comp time be allowed only in special circumstances with approval of the Town Administrator. Chuck moved that they

have a policy that there is no comp time unless there are extenuating circumstances which need to be presented to the Board of Selectmen for approval. Don seconded; all were in favor.

**Adjournment:**

With no further business, Don made a motion to adjourn. Chuck seconded; the vote was unanimous.