

Present was James C. Lehan, Robert J. Garrity, Scott Bugbee, Jack Hathaway, Town Administrator and Marian Harrington, Executive Assistant.

The meeting was held in Room 124, Town Hall. Jim Lehan opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m., and announced that the meeting will be audio and video taped. Jack Hathaway read the agenda contents.

### **LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER – NORFOLK WINE AND SPIRITS, INC.**

Jim Lehan opened the hearing at 7:00 p.m. Scott Bugbee read the public hearing notice. There were no abutters or residents present.

Present was David Turchetta and Thomas Iessi, attorneys from Turchetta & Associates, Norwood, representing Maninder Bikram Singh, applicant for Norfolk Wine and Spirits, Inc. Mr. Singh was also present.

David Turchetta spoke on behalf of his client. This was a transfer of an all alcoholic package store license from Narain Swamy, Norfolk Fine Wine and Spirits, Inc., 206 Dedham Street to Maninder Bikram Singh, Norfolk Wine and Spirits, Inc., 206 Dedham Street. He told the Board that Mr. Singh is currently employed in the liquor business and is familiar with the rules and laws involved in running a liquor establishment.

Jim Lehan said that the Board has reviewed the pages of information submitted.

Rob said he thought this store only sold wine and malt, and noted this license was all alcoholic. Attorney Turchetta stated that yes, the facility has always sold all forms of alcohol.

The Board had no further questions, and Jim commented that it was nice that a Norfolk resident was opening a commercial business.

Rob Garrity moved to approve the transfer of an all alcoholic package store license to Norfolk Wine and Spirits, Inc., 206 Dedham Street, Norfolk, MA. Scott Bugbee seconded, and it was **so voted**.

### **RECAP OF LAKE STREET**

Bob McGhee, DPW Director was present to discuss options for Lake Street. Jim said he understood that the majority of residents seemed to want it not paved. There were quite a few that did. Jim said he would like the expectations of what we can do, and what we will not do. We spend a considerable amount of money on a road that the residents don't want fixed. We need to set an expectation and understanding for the people so they know what we are going to do.

Rob said the \$10,000 figure is a high figure. Bob said it's low. Bob said the whole thing was cut short (work they were doing on Lake St). He didn't finish, but if he had it probably would have been about \$6 or \$8,000. Bob said if you go down there now, there are potholes in the middle of the millings. He said that they didn't finish what they would normally have done. Bob doesn't think we are doing a favor to the environment. It is a nice little pond, and we are doing damage to it. Bob said the pond should be vacuumed out.

Jack said we are trying to get out of the Lake Street business. We can do the milling, or binder. We don't want to leave it as is, because it still will need quite a bit of maintenance. Bob said it is still a public way. Jim said he checked with counsel and it is our road and we can do what we want with it.

Bob gave a proposal. He broke it down into three segments. One is to level and top. Two is a binder course, and three is reclamation – harden millings. Bob said Rafferty would come in and reclaim the road. They grade it down to whatever we ask for, and they do a process that turns the gravel into a hard material and it stays put. It's scarified asphalt that has expired, and they will grade and shape the road. He will salt it and it will decrystallize and liquify. It won't break down. You can plow, sand, rain, play on it, etc., and look and act like a regular paved road. They can repair a pothole, and it will work great. Rob asked what the life expectancy is. Bob said far less often than now. He would say maybe two years. Jim asked what happens if you don't do the millings and just leave the hard coat. Bob wasn't sure, but would ask the question.

Bob said it would be \$22,000 for the millings. For under \$50,000 he could do something. This would be doing just the reclamation and millings. Bob said they do need to do some trimming and sloping and guardrails.

Jack said he and Bob went through the pros and cons of the three options. He said it depends what you are looking for. Jim said it's 30% of our Chapter 90 money. Bob said yes, but we are spending \$15,000 a year. Bob said the residents may be interested in forming a water committee to take care of the pond. There are knowledgeable people on that street who may help. Jack suggested possibly doing a betterment that may help the cost. It was a suggestion. Rob didn't like that, and Jim understood why Jack suggested that.

Jack said if we are going to do a permanent solution, which neither of these are, we would need to go to town meeting and accept the road. Jim said that the people knew the road was like this when they moved in. This road has been here forever. Jim said that to force something on them they don't want, and then make them pay for it is just wrong. Jim is looking for that compromise that will solve the problem with the pond. To pave that 540 feet makes perfect sense and doesn't intrude upon the quaintness of the neighborhood, and it solves our problem. Jim said the part he struggles with is the rest of it. He would like to maintain the integrity without spending all our funds.

Bob said Chapter 90 can be spent on Lake St even though it is not accepted and is a dirt road.

Jim said an option is that we do what we've been doing. Jim said they can't expect anything if we have people upset that we aren't doing anything. Jim and Rob don't feel that any of these options should be a betterment. We have an obligation to do something. Jack said he is looking at it financially – we are spending more money on this street than we are on any other street. Jack said he is looking at it from a standpoint of not being on Lake Street. Why don't you spend \$15,000 every year on my street? We have potholes. Jack is thinking of the budgets.

Jim said we can't ignore it, so the minimum we do is what we are doing now. To say it's unfair, we are stuck there. Can we take it to the next level where we up front money, but it's better for the residents and the pond.

We will present the three options. We are not coming down every week to repair the road. We are not doing it. We need to discuss status quo. At our next meeting, Lake Street residents will be back

in, and we will clearly define what we will do and won't do. We can't spend time and money all the time.

## **SNOW AND ICE**

Rob will not vote another budget underfunded to such a degree. He said he understands we can vote to deficit spend but doesn't understand why we underfund to such a degree every year when yearly spending is always higher than the budgeted amount, and sometimes dramatically so. He suggests \$175,000. The Board discussed funding the budget or deficit spend.

Scott Bugbee moved to deficit spend the snow and ice budget. Jim Lehan seconded, and it was **so voted**.

## **TRUCK EXCLUSIONS**

Bob McGhee said the truck exclusion is for Shear, Union, Park Streets and a section of North St. Bob said he is working with Wrentham to have them join along. They asked us to include May St. and one other street. This request has been submitted to the State. It went out last week. Bob said he would assume with Wrentham's support, the State will approve it.

These trucks should be forced to use 140 and 1A as these streets were built for them. It will take them off these streets. The trucks impact to having to use these streets is minimal.

## **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

### **Action Items**

Rob Garrity moved to open the warrant for spring town meeting. Scott Bugbee seconded, and it was **so voted**.

Rob Garrity moved to approve the Norfolk Lions Dunkin Donuts Road Race for Sunday, May 5, 2013, contingent upon Chief Stone approving the race route. Scott Bugbee seconded, and it was **so voted**.

### **Discussion Items**

Jack mentioned paring down the capital list because of the loss of state funds. Jack said we need the Capital Committee to approve a list of items and said they will be meeting Wed evening.

Jack said that from him, the Zoning officer and commercial business owners, the sign moratorium is working well. We should continue to the May town meeting but we need to work on an article that is hard and fast. Jack will send commercial business owners a letter.

Rob Garrity moved to extend the moratorium to July 1<sup>st</sup>. Scott Bugbee seconded, and it was **so voted**.

Jim said he would like to discuss further a potential town planner. Jim has a packet and job descriptions that he will get to the Board members to review.

Jack gave a budget update and what he will be looking at for FY14.

Jack relayed a call from KP today. There is a problem with cash flow. They would like two payments broken up into four payments to help them. Plainville agreed. Wrentham hasn't answered yet. Jack said he will talk to Cheryl but is sure we can do it. The Board agreed to let Jack have authority to go ahead and do it.

Jack told the Board he has a budget update from Chief Bushnell and all looks okay.

Norfolk County Mosquito Control would like a 5.6% increase. They are going from \$39 to \$43.

At 8:47 p.m., Rob Garrity moved to go into executive session to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with non-union personnel. Scott Bugbee seconded, and it was a roll call vote: Scott Bugee **aye**; Jim Lehan **aye**; and Rob Garrity, **aye**. There will be no votes and the Board will only return to open session to adjourn the meeting.

At 9:17 p.m., being no further business, Scott Bugbee moved to adjourn the meeting. Rob Garrity seconded and it was **so voted**.

This is a true and accurate report of the Selectmen's Meeting of January 8, 2013.

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Scott Bugbee, Clerk