

Minutes of Meeting – May 24, 2023; meeting called to order at 6:00pm. Present: Ed Lane; Dave Roche; Marybeth Mitts; Max Scherff. Absent: Neal Maxymillian.

MOTION by MM, seconded by EL to approve the Minutes of May 10. 4/0 vote.

Citizens Open Forum: None.

Consent Agenda: DR placed a HOLD on the sandwich board sign request. MOTION by MM, seconded by EL to decline the Town's Right-of-First Refusal on the pending sale of 14 acres on East Dugway Road (subject to MGL Chapter 61A); approve a one-day W&M license to the Lenox Dale Fire Company for 5/26 from 6-11pm at 14 Elm Street. 4/0 vote. MOTION by MM, seconded by EL to grant permission to the Gateways Inn to erect a sandwich board sign in front of their business at 51 Walker Street. 3/0 vote with MS abstaining.

At the April 26 meeting, Shots Café came before the Board seeking an alteration of premises on their annual Wine & Malt Restaurant license. They would like to include outdoor service on their patio, offering six tables with a limit of two chairs per table. Attorney Jeff Lynch made a presentation to the Board, but the Board agreed that they needed to look into the matter further, and voted to continue the public hearing until tonight. There are still some outstanding issues, and counsel for Shots Café asked that the Board continue the hearing until their June 7 meeting. MOTION by MM, seconded by MS to continue this hearing until the June 7 meeting at 6pm. 4/0 vote.

MM stated that more work needs to be done on a policy for use of town property for financial gain, and since NM is not present and should be part of the discussion, MOTION by MM, seconded by EL to continue their discussion regarding a policy for use of Town Property for financial gain at a future meeting. 4/0 vote.

MM mentioned that the Lenox Cultural Council will be hosting a reception on June 15 at Pleasant Valley and hopes everyone can attend. EL stated that the flags hung in Lenox Dale were paid for by the Fire Company and have been well received. DR stated that the VFW placed flags in the cemetery, and then he went on to read the information for both the Lenox Dale and Lenox Memorial Day parades.

By roll call, MM, DR, MS and EL voted to go into Executive Session at 6:09pm to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining (Fire).

Minutes Taken By: _____ Minutes Accepted By: _____
Mary Ellen Deming Clerk
Director of Administrative Services Board of Selectmen