Selectmen Minutes 02/22/2016

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February 22, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Soter with all members in attendance.

<u>Public Hearing – application of Milford Auto Clinic, Inc. d/b/a Milford Auto Mall Sales & Service for the transfer of the Class II Used Car Dealers License from Paul B. Pignolet d/b/a Denault's Auto Repair, 1380 Pulaski Blvd.</u> Mr. Soter read the public hearing notice.

Applicants Pierrott and Serge Abiramia stated they purchased Mr. Pignolet's business on January 1st of this year and are here this evening to transfer the Class II License. Pierrot Abiramia stated they have owned a used car business in Milford since 2010.

Mr. Spencer asked if there have been any problems with his business in Milford. Pierrott stated there have not been any problems at all. He went on to state that both he and Serge have been in the business since 2002. Mr. Mayhew stated he has known Paul Pignolet for approximately 30 years and feels he would only sell his business to reputable individuals.

The applicants stated no changes will be made to the business and will be operated as it was by Mr. Pignolet. Mr. Connor asked how many spaces they have for the sale of used cars. Pierrot stated they have a 10 vehicle license.

Mr. Soter read a letter from Ettore & Paulette Zazza who live next door to the business. They stated they are not opposed to having the business located next door, but they are opposed to vehicles parked and the inspection sign placed near the street. Their letter went on to state that it is very difficult for them to see oncoming traffic making it very dangerous when exiting their property. Mr. & Mrs. Zazza asked for the Board's consideration to their situation when transferring the license.

Town Planner, Mr. Kupfer visited the business and took pictures showing where the vehicles are parked and recommended they be moved.

Pierrot Abiramia stated they will be moving the vehicles away from the street. They do not want them parked there. He also stated the inspection sign belongs to Mr. Pignolet and will be removed.

Mr. Soter asked if there was anyone present to speak on this application. No one responded. On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to close the public hearing. On a Mayhew/Soter motion, the Board unanimously voted to approve the Minutes of February 22, 2016 Page 2

application of Milford Auto Clinic, Inc. d/b/a Milford Auto Mall Sales & Service for the transfer of the Class II Used Car Dealers License from Paul B. Pignolet d/b/a Denault's Auto Repair, 1380 Pulaski Blvd. with the stipulation that the cars & inspection sign be moved away from the street and that the applicants work with Mr. Kupfer to delineate the parking area.

385 Solar, LLC, Hartford Ave.

Attorney Van Johnson representing 385 Solar, LLC and Brian Geaudreau, Project Manager appeared before the Board. 385 Solar, LLC is proposing a 1-megawatt solar array to be located at the rear of a parcel of land at 316 Hartford Ave. Attorney Johnson stated his client is seeking an easement from the Town via an access road the DPW uses to get to a well site and treatment facility. The applicant's property is landlocked without the easement.

Mr. Geaudreau stated the total project area is approximately 5.9 acres and is located 1500+ feet from Hartford Avenue. The proposed array will not be visible from Hartford Avenue or to surrounding abutters. The entire facility will be fenced and access will be controlled via a locked gate located off an existing access drive. Following construction, the only visits anticipated will be to maintain the array. These visits typically consist of mowing onsite grass 4-5 times per year requiring use of the access road.

The Selectmen stated they would be looking at the possibility of a net-metering agreement with 385 Solar, LLC for Stallbrook School and the water treatment plant. Attorney Johnson stated he would go back to his client with this information.

Attorney Johnson was advised that this easement would need to be approved at Town Meeting and the Board would take a vote whether to go forward with an article.

Mr. Martinis asked about clearing the land for this project. Mr. Geaudreau stated the trees will be cut down for this project. Mr. Martinis expressed his concern with stripping 5 acres of trees.

The Selectmen stated they will be taking this matter under advisement this evening and take a vote at their next meeting scheduled for February 27th whether or not to place a right of easement article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

On a Mayhew/Connor motion, the Board unanimously voted to authorize emergency spending for snow and ice removal.

On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to approve the list of poll workers for 2016 as submitted by the Town Clerk.

On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board voted to approve the January 25th minutes as submitted, with Mr. Martinis & Mr. Connor abstaining. Minutes of February 22, 2016 Page 3

On a Martinis/Mayhew motion, the Board unanimously voted to approve the list of water, sewer and trash abatements attached to these minutes.

On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to renew the Common Victualler License for Simply Sweet, 170 Pulaski Blvd.

Mr. Mayhew made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spencer to renew the Class II License for Blvd. Auto Sales, 700 Pulaski Blvd. Mr. Mayhew voted in the affirmative, with all other members voting to deny the renewal.

Mr. Fraine requested an executive session pertaining to contract negotiations. Members of the Board were polled with all voting in the affirmative.

On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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