

# Selectmen Minutes 05/16/2016

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May 16, 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.

## Reorganization

Mr. Mayhew made a motion, seconded by Mr. Spencer to appoint Mr. Soter as Chairman with all members voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Connor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mayhew to appoint Mr. Martinis as Vice Chairman with all members voting in the affirmative.

## Public Hearing (continued) – application of Dauphinais Concrete for the storage of flammable liquids (5,000 gallons of L. P. Propane), 79 Hartford Ave.

Mr. Soter explained this public hearing was continued from April 25<sup>th</sup> and asked applicants to come forward. Peter Iacobucci and Brian Rousseau were in attendance for Osterman Propane and Paul Dauphinais owner of Dauphinais Concrete. Also present was Dep. Fire Chief Mark Poirier who stated that at the April 25<sup>th</sup> meeting, questions arose pertaining to the safety of propane tanks. He stated that safety relief valves are fitted onto propane tanks because like any other gas, propane expands with increasing temperatures. As propane expands, the relief valve opens and releases excess pressure.

Explosions may happen if fire impinges under a propane tank and is left to burn for a very long period of time.

However, Dep. Chief Poirier stated the Fire Department personnel have training and procedures to follow in the event of such a fire.

Mr. Mayhew asked Dep. Chief Poirier how long it would take for the Fire Department to get to this location if there was an emergency. He stated approximately 2 to 3 minutes.

Mr. Martinis stated that after looking at the map provided, the tanks are located in three different locations and asked if there would be any vehicles near these locations. Mr. Dauphinais informed the Board there would be concrete trucks and loaders on the property and noted jersey barriers have been added around the tanks for extra safety.

Mr. Soter asked if the barriers will be anchored in the ground. Mr. Dauphinais stated they will not be anchored; however, they weigh 5,000 – 6,000 lbs. apiece.

Mr. Soter asked if the gas lines going from the tanks will be buried underground. Mr. Dauphinais stated they will be buried underground and encased in concrete.

Mr. Soter asked if anyone was present to speak on this application. No one responded.

On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to close the public hearing.

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On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to approve the application of Dauphinais Concrete for the storage of flammable liquids (5,000 gallons of L.P. Propane). Premises located at 79 Hartford Avenue.

## Public Hearing – application of EMCOS Car Solutions, Inc. for the transfer of the Class II Used Car Dealers License from Car Solutions, LLC, 161 Mechanic St.

Mr. Soter read the public hearing notice.

Applicants Paulette Reed and Cosmo Casamassa stated that between the two of them, they have 35 years in the car business. Ms. Reed stated they are making changes on the property, cleaning up, planting flowers and rearranging vehicles. She stated the U-Haul Trucks are parked separately from the used cars for sale making for a neater appearance.

Mr. Spencer asked if vehicle repairs will be done at this location. The applicants stated they will be repairing vehicles as is being done by the current owner.

Mr. Connor asked how many vehicles are listed on the current license and was informed the license is approved for 37 vehicles. Mr. Connor stated there may be a possibility of this number being reduced due to the spaces taken up by the U-Haul Trucks.

Mr. Soter asked the applicants to submit a drawing showing where the used cars and U-Haul rental trucks will be parked.

The applicants were asked the price range of vehicles they will have for sale. They informed the Board it would be between \$3,000 and \$8500.

**On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to close the public hearing.**

**On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to approve the application of EMCOS Car Solutions, Inc. for the transfer of the Class II Used Car Dealers License from Car Solutions, LLC, 161 Mechanic St. providing the applicants submit a drawing of the property outlining where the used cars and U-Haul rental trucks will be parked and that they meet with Town Planner, Jim Kupfer to review the drawing and the amount of vehicles requested before June 27<sup>th</sup> - hours of operation Monday-Friday, 7:30 AM – 8:00 PM; Saturday, 7:30 AM – 6:00 PM and Sunday, Noon – 5:00 PM.**

**On a Martinis/Connor motion, the Board unanimously voted to approve increasing the quarterly Solid Waste Fees as follows: Seniors from \$44.00 - \$46.50; Single Family from \$85.00 - \$95.00; Two Family from \$115.00 - \$135.00 and Three Family from \$140.00 - \$160.00, effective July 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**On a Spencer/Mayhew motion, the following abatements were unanimously approved:**

**municipal water, \$3937.03; municipal sewer, \$562.80; residential water, \$1126.66; residential sewer, \$175.98 and residential trash, \$852.03.**

**On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to approve the April 25<sup>th</sup> minutes as submitted.**

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**On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to accept and sign the Intermunicipal Agreement for Public Health Nurse Services between the Towns of Bellingham and Upton.**

**On a Mayhew/Martinis motion, the Board unanimously voted to award Contract-RCS/Annual Bid for Road Crack Sealing to low bidder Sealcoating, Inc. of Braintree in the amount of \$86,455.**

**On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to open the October Town Meeting Warrant on June 1<sup>st</sup> and set the closing date for July 1<sup>st</sup>, 12 noon.**

**On a Mayhew/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Jacqueline A. Bokoski  
Administrative Assistant**