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TOWN OF HAMPDEN, MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN/BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES

February 21, 2008
6:00 pm

625 Main Street
Town House

Board Members: John D. Flynn, Richard R. Green, Vincent J. Villamaino
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by John D. Flynn.

6:00 pm LaCucina Restaurant: Owner, Mike Cimmino came before the Board to request a change in the manager on the liquor license to Geri Cimmino. A motion was made by Vinnie Villamaino to approve the change to Geri Cimmino as the manager of LaCucina Restaurant, seconded by John Flynn. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Rick Green arrived at 6:15 pm.

6:30 pm Zone Change Request: Jacquelyn Chapdelaine came before the Board to seek direction in changing a portion of her property on Allen Street from residential to commercial classification. The Board reviewed her plan, suggested she attend the next Planning Board meeting and that a petition with ten signatures on it was required for placement on the Town Meeting Warrant.

Conservation Restriction: A restriction has been finalized for the Kibbe Farm, South Road property, now owned by Minnechaug Land Trust, Inc. (Hampden) granting Mass Audubon Society certain restrictions to protect the use of the property for conservation purposes. A motion was made by Rick Green to sign the document, as approved by Dave Martel, Town Counsel, seconded by Vinnie Villamaino. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Minutes of February 11, 2008: The minutes were reviewed and a motion was made by Rick Green to approve the minutes with a correction, seconded by Vinnie Villamaino. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Unregistered Vehicle Bylaw: The Board decided that the bylaw would affect R4 and R6 zones; there would be a 2 car maximum; and would be allowed only through a special permit application. The penalty for non-compliance will be determined.

Officer Tawrin Seega: Chief Farnsworth invited a Board member to a ceremony to award Officer Seega for his outstanding contribution to MADD's Drive for Life Program. Vinnie Villamaino will attend with the Chief and a Sergeant.

Police Chief: Chief Farnsworth notified the Board of two vacation days he will take.

Budget Review: The Board will meet on February 27th at 9:30 am to review all the budget numbers available.

Warrant Review: The Board will review the warrant on February 27th at 9:30 am.

Robert Howarth: Retired Judge Howarth came into the meeting to offer his services for town boards that might have a vacancy. He will attend a Planning Board meeting within the next couple of weeks.

7:15 pm Cigarette Sale Seminar: Michael Pease, Program Coordinator from the Youth Tobacco Prevention Center was invited to conduct a seminar for vendors in town who sell tobacco products. His job as coordinator is to educate and collect data. He does not serve as an enforcer for the state. He works with all local merchants, the Board of Health and the state to ensure that tobacco in any form is not sold to anyone under the age of 18.

He presented his folder of information to those in attendance and is available to those merchants with any questions in the future. The main thrust of his seminar was that there is required signage that must be posted, and that with no ID, there is no sale of tobacco products.

Seeing no further business, a motion was made by Rick Green to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm, seconded by Vinnie Villamaino. VOTE: All in favor and so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

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