

**Town of Mansfield
Board of Selectmen
Minutes of September 30, 2009**

Present: Chairman Baldwin, Vice Chairman Moran, Clerk Jess Aptowitz, Selectman Sandra Levine, , Nick Riccio, Interim Town Manager

Absent: Selectman Dentino

Selectman Moran arrived at 7:05pm

Cibo Matto alcohol license hearing

Peter Kuplast, manager of record present. Public hearing notice read into record.

Motion: To open public hearing. (Aptowitz/Levine) 3:0 passes

Mr. Kuplast anticipates he will be opening in 4-6 weeks. All of the staff will be tips trained. The menu will be slightly different from his last proposed restaurant with more casual food offerings.

Selectman Aptowitz asked how many licenses are available after this one? The secretary responded that one will still be available.

Selectman Levine asked what Cibo Matto means. Mr. Kuplast said it is "crazy food" in Italian.

Motion: To approve all alcohol license for Cibo Matto. (Aptowitz/Moran) 4:0 passes

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None

Mansfield Housing Corporation Board of Directors

Maureen Doherty, 3 Darby Drive. Mrs. Doherty is applying for vacancy on the board and is also a member of the MBC.

Selectman Moran is glad to see Mrs. Doherty volunteering as we need to get this board back in action.

Selectman Levine is very glad to see Mrs. Doherty on the board as she is very knowledgeable. Mrs. Levine requested that Mrs. Doherty ask her fellow MBC members if they would be interested in being on this committee as well.

Chairman Baldwin also thanked Mrs. Doherty for volunteering.

Motion: To appoint Mrs. Doherty to a term ending January 1, 2012. (Aptowitz/Levine)
4:0 passes

The meeting continued with an update of board activities over the past year with Marilyn Lewis, Beth Dahlstrom and Shelly Roberts. All three women have been on the board for many years, however, membership and interest has waned over the years.

They would like hire a consultant to help get them going in the right direction. They are all volunteers and need some professional guidance in addition to more members.

Chairman Baldwin asked Mrs. Doherty if she would like to say a few words. Mrs. Doherty stated that she works for the state and will reach out to her contacts for assistance.

The original number of members to be on the board was 11. However, the group has not been able to attract that many people so the membership requirement was reduced to the minimum number needed (7).

The Board of Selectmen and town manager will work to see which parcels in town that may be used by the housing board for development.

Recruitment notices will be posted on the web and cable with information on the composition of the housing board and what the group's mission is for Mansfield.

The housing board needs qualified people to serve, especially in the positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman and Treasurer.

Democratic Town Committee donation to the Veterans Office

Kevin Doyle, President of the Democratic Committee gave a \$300 donation from their annual softball tournament to the town manager for veterans' needs that come up throughout the year.

Motion: To accept donation on behalf of the Veterans Agent. (Levine/Moran) 4:0 passes

Weekly Business

- **Signed but not voted last week:**
Warrant No. 10012PT in the amount of \$301,435.18
Motion: To approve. (Aptowitz/Moran) 4:0 passes

Warrant No. 10012TV in the amount of \$82,575.66
Motion: To approve. (Levine/Moran) 4:0 passes
- **This week:**
Warrant No. 10012T in the amount of \$2,012,189.71
Motion: To approve. (Levine/Moran) 4:0 passes

Warrant No. 10012E in the amount of \$171,458.60
Motion: To approve. (Levine/Moran) 4:0 passes

Warrant No. 10013T in the amount of \$1,658,717.99
Motion: To approve. (Levine/Aptowitz) 4:0 passes

Warrant No. 10013S in the amount of \$115,584.97
Motion: To approve. (Moran/Aptowitz) 4:0 passes
- Meeting minutes of July 1, 2009
Motion: To approve. (Levine/Aptowitz) 4:0 passes
- Meeting minutes of July 15, 2009
Motion: To approve. (Levine/Aptowitz) 3:0:1 passes (Baldwin abstain)
- Meeting minutes of July 29, 2009
Motion: To approve. (Levine/Aptowitz) 3:0:1 passes (Baldwin abstain)
- Application for band parade permit. October 25th 2 to 3pm (Routing slip have come back positive **Motion:** To approve. (Levine/Aptowitz) 4:0 passes

Correspondence

- Announcement from park and recreation for Halloween Parade to be held on Sunday, October 25th 2pm beginning on the s. common.
- Letter from Dan Pascucci wishing to articulate the intent of a previous letter from Keith Purrier regarding the services of town counsel.

- Memo from Betty Amicone, DPW Office Manager, regarding an update on the MA Bottle Bill. Updating this law will reduce litter, increase recycling and provide additional funding for local recycling programs.
Motion: To support bill. (Levine/Moran) 4:0 passes

Town Managers Report

- Update on Knockouts Salon coming to Mansfield Commons. This is a sports themed hair salon for men. The women will be in uniform and alcoholic beverages will not be served. This establishment complies with all zoning regulations and the public will be invited to an open house in which all questions will be answered.
- Damages to highway garage canopy have not been resolved and litigation is in progress.
- Denise Anderson, Cory Shea's mother, will be holding a 1 year memorial service for her son and has invited the town manager and the Board of Selectmen to attend.
- Contribution to the fire dept for lettering on one of the ambulances.
Motion: To accept contribution with thanks. (Aptowitz/Moran) 4:0 passes
- Update on parking lot pass machines to be installed at train station.

Intervention Program

Representative Jay Barrows informed the Board of Selectmen and general audience of the next Intervention "townhall" style meeting at Patriots Place Showcase Live Theater next Thursday.

This group is a collaborative effort between the towns of Foxboro, Mansfield and Norton regarding the issues of underage drinking. Comcast, A&E and the Tri-Town Alcohol Awareness Partnership are all partners in this effort.

There will be a short movie shown before the forum begins. Representative Barrows expects a large crowd so please rsvp.

A&E will be making this event available October 22nd via "on demand" cable programming.

Chairman Baldwin asked Rep. Barrows to pass on their thanks to Rep. Poirier for all their hard work that they do for the community.

Selectmen's Old & New Business

- Old business from Selectman Dentino: Not present
- Old business from Selectman Levine: Would still like to visit the Town of Franklin to see how their municipal/school merger has worked.

Looking for update on I&I leak detection program. Mr. Niccio gave a brief recap of the program.

Please give us an update on disaster recovery plan for both municipal and school side.

Looking for update on the "no working from home" rule. Would there be exceptions in case of pandemic flu or other emergency? Mr. Riccio stated yes, we could do that on a case by case basis.

- Old business from Selectman Aptowitz: Thank you to Linda Darling for all her hard work in the Accounting Office. She has been a real asset in helping the department work with out a full time town accountant.
- New business from Selectman Moran: He has become aware of all the chip sealing and crack work on our streets and we will need to address it sooner rather than later.

Is interested in getting a Medline tour of their new facilities in order to get a grasp on what fine facilities we have and want to attract.

- Old business from Chairman Baldwin: Covered by other members.
- New business from Chairman Baldwin: Happy retirement to John Sullivan.
- New business from Selectman Aptowitz: Mr. Aptowitz and Sandy LaRosee went to the SMHG meeting in Norton last week. Norton Town Manager Jim Purcell was named the new chairman of this committee; he will keep in touch with us.

Congratulations to the Mansfield Pediatric Center on their newly expanded practice. It is a beautiful facility and they are a credit to the community.

Sandy LaRosee has been a huge help with providing us all the information we needed for our health care survey.

- New business from Selectman Dentino: Not present
- New business from Selectman Moran: The town manager search is under way and the group will be presenting a list of finalists in the next couple of weeks.
- New business from Selectman Levine: Recap of letter written by Mary Cinelli regarding upgrades to the web site.

Congrats to Cumberland Farms in regards to their renovations, the facility is beautiful.

Big Thanks To Richard Parker (Smokey) on his wonderful work over at the COA.

Selectman Levine has been researching the possibility of getting certified by the MA bio-counsel. She will be attending a symposium in Boston soon.

Adjournment

Motion: Adjourn at 8:44pm (Moran) 4-0 Passes

Jess Aptomity

Signature of Clerk

October 7, 2009

Date of Approval