

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
GROTON DUNSTABLE MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA
MINUTES APRIL 24, 2017
APPROVED**

BOS Members Present: John G. Petropoulos, Chair; Joshua A. Degen, Vice Chair; Barry A. Pease, Clerk; Anna Eliot, Member; Peter S. Cunningham, Member

Also Present: Mark W. Haddad, Town Manager; Dawn Dunbar, Executive Assistant

Mr. Degen called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

1. Mr. Haddad asked the Board to consider approving the fuel storage permits for the following permit holders:

a. Deluxe Corporation

License to expire on April 30, 2018
Located at 500 Main Street
Fuel Storage license originally granted on 12/15/2003

b. Groton School

License to expire on April 30, 2018
Located on Farmers Row
Fuel Storage license originally granted on 12/15/2003

c. Global Montello Group Corp.

License to expire on April 30, 2018
Located at 6 Boston Road
Fuel Storage license originally granted on 3/25/2002

d. Groton-Dunstable Regional School District

License to expire on April 30, 2018
Located at 342 Main Street
Fuel Storage license originally granted on 12/15/2003

e. PGI Realty, LLC

License to expire on April 30, 2018
Located at 318 Main Street
Fuel Storage license originally granted on 11/01/2004

Mr. Pease moved to approve the licenses as read. Mr. Cunningham seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

a. A.L. Prime Energy, Inc.

License to expire on April 30, 2018
Located at 619 Boston Road
Fuel Storage license originally granted on 7/13/2009

Mr. Cunningham moved to approve the license for AL Prime. Mr. Pease seconded the motion. Mr. Degen said after being asked, that he had consistently abstained from voting on licenses for AL Prime. The motion carried 3-0-1 with Mr. Degen abstaining.

2. Mr. Haddad said that Mr. Gmeiner and Mr. Rafferty were present to answer any questions the Board had on the IMA with Ayer for the Four Corners Sewer System project. He said that he had a lengthy conversation with Mr. Gmeiner as Chair adding that his edits to the IMA would be incorporated by Town Counsel. Mr. Rafferty reviewed the highlights of the agreement. Mr. Degen asked if the inter-basin transfer was still in place. Mr. Rafferty said it was adding that capacity was much less than what they were approved for. Mr. Degen asked if the Sewer Commission had formally voted. Mr. Gmeiner said that had not yet adding that they had voted that they would like to see this in place for one year before they took over managing it. Mr. Haddad said that there were provisions that addressed that. Mr. Haddad said he was recommending that the Board, if okay with the IMA

and its edits, vote to accept the IMA subject to Town Counsel's final review. Mr. Haddad said that the Board also needed to vote to allow KP, Law to represent both Ayer and Groton on this.

Mr. Cunningham moved to approve the disclosure allowing KP, Law to represent both Ayer and Groton on this matter. Mr. Pease seconded the motion adding he would like a second counsel should they need one. The motion carried unanimously.

The remainder of the discussion was deferred until Town Counsel arrived.

3. Mr. Haddad said that the Board needed to take final positions on a few articles:
 - a. Article 9 – Mr. Degen, Mr. Pease, Ms. Eliot and Mr. Petropoulos were against; Mr. Cunningham was in favor.
 - b. Article 10 – Mr. Degen, Ms. Eliot, Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Pease were in favor; Mr. Petropoulos was not in favor.
Mr. Degen added that if article 9 passed he was not in favor of article 10. If article 9 failed, he would be in favor of article 10.

Mr. Haddad explained to Town Counsel, David Doneski upon arrival that the Board had voted to approve the disclosure but wanted to hear from him on the final review of the IMA. Mr. Doneski said that the edits were minor adding he could come back to the Board should there be any last-minute substantive changes. Mr. Petropoulos asked about the option to bring this back in a week to allow for additional review time. Mr. Degen said he understood the concern but also understood they needed to award a contract. He said in fairness to the contractor, they should vote that night.

Mr. Cunningham moved to approve the IMA between Ayer and Groton subject to Town Counsel's final review. Ms. Eliot seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Petropoulos adjourned the meeting at 6:29pm.

Approved: _____
Barry Pease, Clerk

respectfully *submitted*,
Dawn Dunbar, Executive Assistant

Date Approved: 5/31/17