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SELECT BOARD MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024

Select Board Chair Paul Ciaburri, Select Board Vice-Chair Bradford Morse, and Clerk Adam Murphy (via phone call) are Present.

The Select Board's Open Meeting is opened by Chair Paul Ciaburri

People on the Agenda:

9:00 AM – Public Hearing Costa's Kitchen: Transfer of Restaurant Wine and Malt License – Select Board Member Ciaburri opens the public hearing pursuant to G.L. c. 128 § 12 to transfer a Restaurant Wine and Malt License from Matt's Blackboard (Matthew P. Gurney, Manager) to Costa's Kitchen (Michael Costa, Manager.) The premises consists of 2900 square feet, on the first floor of Plumb Corner Mall Complex, occupancy 94, seating capacity 90, one main exit, two emergency exits. The business is located at 565 Rouseville Road, Rochester, MA 02770. There are no questions or comments. No abutters are present for this hearing.

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to close the hearing. The motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion passes with a unanimous vote. Roll Call – Ciaburri – Aye, Morse – Aye, Murphy – Aye

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to accept the restaurant wine and malt license transfer from Matt's Blackboard (Matthew P. Gurney, Manager) to Costa's Kitchen (Michael Costa, Manager.) The motion is seconded by Select Board Member Murphy, all members of the Board are in favor. The motion passes with a unanimous vote. Roll Call – Ciaburri – Aye, Morse – Aye, Murphy - Aye

Old Business:

Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) – Town Administrator Cannon advises the Board that he attended the Finance Committee meeting, and they are asking the Select Board to vote on the Cost-of-Living Adjustment to work on the FY25 budget calculations. Select Board Member Morse states he will take a vote for the COLA but would like to further discuss the employee compensation plan as he does not feel it is fiscally responsible to approve both.

Motion: A Motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to accept the 2.5% cost of living adjustment. The motion is seconded by Select Board Member Murphy, all members of the Board are in favor. The motion passes with a unanimous vote. Roll Call — Ciaburri — Aye, Morse — Aye, Murphy - Aye

Adjournment:

Motion: Select Board Member Morse makes a motion to enter into Executive Session in accordance with G.L.c.30A 21(a)(2) and G.L.c.30A 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares, not to return back into Open Session at the conclusion. This motion is seconded by Select Board Member Murphy. All members of the Board are in favor and the Executive Session meeting is opened. Roll Call Vote Ciaburri – Aye, Morse – Aye, Murphy - Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Adam C. Murphy, Clerk