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BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY Warwick, Rhode Island 02886

# BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY April 9, 2024 6:00 p.m. BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY ROOM SECOND FLOOR, POLICE HEADQUARTERS

At 6:05 p.m. the Board of Public Safety opened its meeting for Tuesday, April 9, 2024. Present were Colonel Bradford Connor, Chairman Charlie Benson, Vice Chairman Mike Gilbert, Clerk Jim Paolucci, Assistant Solicitor Wyatt Brochu, and Recording Secretary Lisa Ferolito.

#### **MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order Board Chairperson
- **2.** Roll Call Board Clerk (See above)

# FIRE DEPARTMENT REGULAR SESSION

1. The fire session minutes of the Board of Public Safety meeting held on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 to be submitted for approval.

**ACTION:** There were none to submit, as there was nothing on the last agenda.

2. Chief Peter McMichael to recommend appointments, promotions, transfers and reassignments; names to be submitted and discussed at the meeting.

**ACTION:** There were none to submit.

3. Chief Peter McMichael to recommend retirements and resignations; names to be submitted and discussed at the meeting.

**ACTION:** There were none to submit.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT REGULAR SESSION

Board Business Police Department - Review, Discussion and/or Potential Action and/or Vote:

1. The police session minutes of the Board of Public Safety meeting held on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 to be submitted for approval.

**ACTION:** Vice Chairman Gilbert made a motion to approve. Clerk Paolucci seconded the motion. Vice Chairman Gilbert and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

2. Colonel Bradford Connor to recommend appointments, promotions, transfers and reassignments; names to be submitted and discussed at the meeting.

**ACTION:** There were none to submit this evening.

**3.** Colonel Bradford Connor to recommend retirements and resignations; names to be submitted and discussed at the meeting.

**ACTION:** There were none to submit this evening.

## **LICENSES AND PERMITS**

All licenses are subject to receipt of all required paperwork, all State and Local permits, and compliance with all stipulations, rules and regulations as required by the Board of Public Safety.

1. Liquor License – Class BV (New)

3295 SH Holding, LLC d/b/a The Social House 3295 Post Road

Colonel Connor: Basically they are not approve through zoning yet or through building. Amplified music, which is what they're requesting, requires zoning approval as a night club use in compliance with current applicable fire codes and building codes. I think they need to have special ceiling tiles. It said the request is on hold until zoning board approval is received and the building permits for the building and fire code. Either they upgrade it or they remove the amplified music request. So, essentially, building is saying no, unless they comply with the fire stuff, or they withdraw the music.

Assistant Solicitor Brochu: So they're at zoning tonight?

Colonel Connor: Tonight at 7:00, so why are they even here tonight?

Assistant Solicitor Brochu: So why don't you put this on for your next meeting and see what zoning does.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: I'd be okay with that. Table it.

Chairman Benson: When we bring them in could you read that?

Colonel Connor: One hundred percent.

Assistant Solicitor Brochu: Was this noticed Lisa?

Recording Secretary Ferolito: Yes.

Assistant Solicitor Brochu: Then I would continue it to a date certain so that they don't have to readvertise and all of that.

Colonel Connor: This just came out yesterday, too, this ruling; so I don't know if they know about it.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: Is continued different than tabling?

Assistant Solicitor Brochu: It is. Table would be no action. So, if they wanted to come back, you would need to meet any notice and advertising requirements. If you continue to a date certain, then the notices for tonight's meeting would just continue.

Clerk Paolucci: In the event there's someone out there opposing this, would we hear it?

Recording Secretary Ferolito: Should we bring everyone in?

Chairman Benson: Yeah, you can bring everyone in.

Meeting starts.

Colonel Connor: I am in receipt from Mr. DeCorte from the building department indicating that they do not yet have approval through building and zoning. He did comment that they have an amplified music request, which is requiring zoning board approval, and also they would need to meet current fire codes and building codes if they were going to meet that approval, or they would need to withdraw the amplified music request. I believe they're here and represented.

Attorney Christopher Mulhearn: Good evening everyone. Christopher Mulhearn, 1300 Division Road, Suite 304, West Warwick, Rhode Island for 3295 SH Holdings LLC. The Board may recall we were last here on January 10, 2023 on this very same request for a Class BV liquor license. That request was granted at that time. There was a full, or complete, build out of the property at 3295 Post Road that is just being completed now. It's anticipated to be completed in the next several weeks. At that point, building and fire, also the health department will be in to perform their necessary inspections. There's been a years lapse between approval of this Board and ultimately picking up the liquor license. Out of an abundance of caution, the licensing unit suggested that we just simply re-apply, make the request

again; nothing has changed. Quite frankly, with me is John Krikorian, also Paul Voight, they're the two principals of 3295 SH Holdings, LLC. They operate several hospitality establishments throughout the state. They have a pristine reputation. They've never had any liquor licenses modified, revoked, or otherwise suspended. Unfortunately for them, they're about a year behind in terms of project timeline, as well as about \$100,000 over budget; mostly because, as everyone here knows, this project resides in historic Apponaug Village, and there were a number of redesigns and rebuilds that the business had to go through with the historical aspect of the buildout. That being said, again, nothing has changed since the initial application that was applied for and approved back on January 10, 2023.

Chairman Benson: Okay. I want to point out, we've had recent discussions with the building department. We've got some changes going on with the Board where we're requiring a lot more information these days before we're going to approve any liquor license. We've, we heard from the Chief that you don't have the zoning approval yet?

Attorney Mulhearn: That's correct, because the buildout is not complete. That's correct.

Chairman Benson: Okay. That's one of the things that the Board is going to start doing. We're not going to issue the licenses pending all approval when the building is not even done. So, what we're thinking on this; you've still got to get approval, you're going to zoning at 7:00?

Attorney Mulhearn: No, I have an unrelated zoning matter.

Chairman Benson: Oh, I'm sorry.

Attorney Mulhearn: Okay. We made the application for non-amplified music, and if at some time if they want to do amplication, then we'll make a request for a special use permit at that time.

Chairman Benson: Okay. So, how long dd you say you anticipate this going on?

Mr. Krikorian: Everything is falling into place. We have the inspectors lined up to come and do their final inspections and within the next few weeks - -

Chairman Benson [Interposing]: Within the next few weeks?

Attorney Mulhearn: Yes. Assuming this is approved, they anticipate to be in a position to open the establishment by mid May.

Assistant Solicitor Brochu: Mr. Chair, just so you know, this is the application [inaudible].

Clerk Paolucci: Is building aware that you're dropping the amplified music request?

Attorney Mulhearn: I don't know if building is aware, but I know the licensing unit is aware.

Chairman Benson: Okay, so you are going to drop that request.

Attorney Mulhearn: Initially, yes.

Board of Public Safety April 9, 2024 Chairman Benson: Okay. I think what we kind of want to do, and I know you had to advertise and all that stuff; so we don't want to hurt you from that respect. What we would like to do is we'd like to continue this; give you the chance to get the stuff updated. What's our May meetings? Well the first one is the second Tuesday in May. That should probably fall into - -

Attorney Mulhearn [Interposing]: I would think that would work in times of timing and completions of the inspections and approvals, yes.

Chairman Benson: Why don't we continue this til May - -

Recording Secretary Ferolito [Interposing]: May 14<sup>th</sup>.

Attorney Mulhearn: Is it possible to do it before that; that might be kind of tight given what they want to do.

Chairman Benson: We have a meeting in two weeks, but that won't give him enough time.

Attorney Mulhearn: May 14th is the earliest you can do?

Chairman Benson: That's the earliest we can do, yes.

Mr. Krikorian: That's a tough date. We really have been behind with this project, as you can imagine, with all of the hurdles that we've gone through - -

Colonel Connor [Interposing]: But if they're dropping the amplified music, that might be a call over to Al DeCorte over at building as soon as you can.

Assistant Solicitor Brochu: Why don't you do the 23<sup>rd</sup>. That way you can get an updated, information from building. If there's any issues, he can get the status pending.

Attorney Mulhearn: That would be great.

Colonel Connor: We do see obviously the CO, your health, and liquor liability insurance as well.

Attorney Mulhearn: The health department has been lined up for an inspection already.

Mr. Krikorian: We're lined up with the liquor liability already as well.

Chairman Benson: When you come in, if those inspections aren't performed, can you give us the date that they are scheduled?

Attorney Mulhearn: We can absolutely do that, Chairman.

Chairman Benson: All right, so we'll do it the next meeting in April.

Recording Secretary Ferolito: April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending CO, Rhode Island Department of Health approval, and liquor liability insurance. Chairman Benson made a motion to continue this item until April 23, 2024. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

2. Liquor License – Class BT/BH (Transfer – New) From: O-B NYLO Concessions, LLC

NYLO Providence Warwick Hotel

400 Knight Street

To: Our Hotels, LLC

NYLO Providence Warwick Hotel

400 Knight Street

Colonel Connor: As previously discussed, I would recommended this to the Board that we revisit this after a 90 day period to make sure they are in compliance. After the 90 days; if they haven't received all of these we bring them back in. Does that work?

Chairman Benson: Yup.

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending CO, city and state taxes, Rhode Island Department of Health approval, and liquor liability insurance. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending CO, city and state taxes, Rhode Island Department of Health approval, and liquor liability insurance. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved. Licensing to review and report to the Board in 90 days.

**3.** Liquor License (Class F)

Tina Bingham
Gaspee Days Committee
Being held at Aspray Boathouse
May 10, 2024
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**4.** Liquor License (Class F)

Tina Bingham
Gaspee Days Committee
Being held at Aspray Boathouse
May 24, 2024
6:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**5.** Liquor License (Class F)

Tina Bingham
Gaspee Days Committee
Being held at Aspray Boathouse
May 25, 26, 27
12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**6.** Liquor License (Class F)

Reverend Andrew Messina Saints Rose & Clements Parish Being held in the parish hall May 4, 2024 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 pm.

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**7.** Second Class Victualer (New)

Budding Violet, Inc. d/b/a Red, White & Brew Coffeehouse 1800 Post Road, Unit 26

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**8.** Holiday Sales (New)

Supreme Bright Warwick I, LLC d/b/a NYLO 400 Knight Street

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending CO, city and state taxes, and Rhode Island Department of Health approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending CO, city and state taxes, and Rhode Island Department of Health approval. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**9.** Live Entertainment (Inside)

Reverend Andrew Messina Saints Rose & Clements Parish To be held at the church

May 4, 2024 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**10.** Outside Seating

The Berry Joint 2424 West Shore Road April – November, 2024

Colonel Connor: I am in receipt of a notice from the building department that their zoning had been approved. However, the building department has not approved this, and they're requesting that they; un, the request should be made for each unit individually. Apparently, this Berry Joint has several different businesses; Baked and Brewed, Cat's Cakes, and The Berry Joint. They're requesting that each individual one request separately. So, I am going to recommend that the Board not approve this license. We will then contact them to be in touch with building.

**ACTION:** Chairman Benson made a motion to deny the outside seating, pending meeting with building to go over different issues. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

#### **ACTION:**

11. Game of Chance/Raffle

Elizabeth Charette Warwick Area Career & Tech. Center Being held at Dave's Bar & Grill April 27, 2024

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

12. Game of Chance/Raffle

Reverend Andrew Messina Saints Rose & Clements Parish Being held in the parish hall May 4, 2024

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

13. Game of Chance/Raffle

Tara Cirella Gianna Cirella Memorial Fund Being held at Goddard Park

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

14. Game of Chance/Raffle

Stephen Smith
Rock N Jock Charities
Being held at Potowomut Country Club
August 11-12, 2024

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**15.** Private Detective (Renewal)

John LaPiana Claims Resource Group

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**16.** Private Detective (Renewal)

Brian Robitaille

Allied Universal Compliance & Invest.

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

17. Block Party

Tina Bingham
Gaspee Days Committee
Being held at Aspray Boathouse
May 24, 2024
6:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m.

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending traffic and Rhode Island Department of Transportation approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending traffic and Rhode Island Department of Transportation approval. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**18.** Festival (Gaspee Days)

Tina Bingham
Gaspee Days Committee
Arts & Crafts
May 25-27, 2024
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

#### **Vendors**

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A & D Jewelry

Accessories by Burnham Age of Grace, LLC AH Art Studio

American Pewter **Badda Bling Jewelry** Beachwalker Studio Beth Adoette Artist **Bloom Mercantile Bolton Custom Designs Book End Designs** 

Bowls by Richard Cassie's Crystals Charly Onyx, LLC Cindy's Workshop Coast 2 Coasters RI

Coral Anchor Crimson Lion

Crystal Rose Healing Cutie Curls Boutique Da/Brie Designs

Dreaming Light Creations, LLC

**Eden Designs** Ed's Crafts

**Eric Sturtevant Illustrations** Ever Be Clay Company

**Everlasting Travels Body Care** 

Fashion by Paul Fenham Publishing Floweredsky Designs

Funky Bijoux Garden Metal Art

Gaspee Point Woodworks

Handpainted Slates & Mailboxes

Harry's Specialties **Heavy Metal Animals** Hush Little Baby Cakes

Jack's Snacks, A Dog Bakery

Jam's Jewelry

Joel Watkins

Sharon Sellers-Berthiaume

Celia S. Cunha Diana Burnham Ryan O'Connor April Hunt

Debra Nelson Quiles Tammy Barnhart Dathan Belanger Beth Adoette Lindsay Hatoway Bryan K. Bolton Steve Foote Richard Bugbee

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MS's Sports Merchandise

Moby D. Designs Momma's Sweet Pea Moretti Enterprises

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Paintings with T.L.C.

Parched

Pawtuxet Flag Works Pet Gear by Gina Purgatory Farms Purple Haze

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**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending BCI checks. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending BCI checks. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**19.** Parade Tina Bingham

Gaspee Days Committee

June 8, 2024

Foot Race 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Parade 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending traffic and Rhode Island Department of Transportation approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending traffic and Rhode Island Department of Transportation approval. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**20.** Parade Tami Herchel

Ragnar Events May 17-18, 2024

Running through Warwick

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending traffic and Rhode Island Department of Transportation approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending traffic and Rhode Island Department of Transportation approval. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

## 21. Peddler Badge

Cooper Silverman Trinity Solar

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**22.** Bazaar Leslie Derrig

Conimicut Village Association Conimicut Village Farmers Market Being held at Friends Way 765 West Shore Road

Saturdays

May 4 – September 28, 2024

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending building and fire. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending building and fire. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**23.** Bazaar Debbie Wood

We Be Jammin Events, LLC

Being held in Pawtuxet Village Park

April 20, 2024

#### Vendors

ARTicles
Branchish Jerky
Brush and Easel
Charly Onyx, LLC
Color Street

Color Street
Cookie Chow
Dragon's Beauty
Eden Designs

Elisabete Limitless Creations Embrace Your Inner G, LLC

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Muddy Paws Accessories

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**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending traffic and BCI checks. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending traffic and BCI checks. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**24.** Midnight to 5am

Supreme Bright Warwick I, LLC d/b/a NYLO 400 Knight Street

**ACTION:** Colonel Connor recommended approval pending CO, city and state taxes, and Rhode Island Department of Health approval. Chairman Benson made a motion to approve pending CO, city and state taxes, and Rhode Island Department of Health approval. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**25.** Discussion with Mr. Norman Jacobs, of 20 Wilcox Street, regarding his request for an exemption to City Ordinance O-11-5, Sec. 4-11, allowing him to house more than the maximum dogs allowed in the City. This item was continued from the meeting on March 12, 2024.

Colonel Connor: We have Mr. Jacobs here to continue the discussion on the dogs, that was continued from March 12<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman Benson: Do you have any stuff for us?

Mrs. Jacobs: Animal control didn't give us any paperwork, but we have the paperwork that we needed last time.

Chairman Benson: Oh, we got the report from the - -

Vice Chairman Gilbert: What paperwork do you have that maybe we haven't seen?

Mr. Jacobs: We showed you everything that was relevant last time.

Mrs. Jacobs: Records, vet records - -

Mr. Jacobs [Interposing]: The letters from our neighbors.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: Yeah, we never saw those last time so I would like to see those if you have them. We just want to review all of the information.

Chairman Benson: Did the money for the things come in?

Recording Secretary Ferolito: Not yet.

Mrs. Jacobs: These are the letters of support, and these are the records that they are up to date, just so you know.

Chairman Benson: You know that you have to pay for the certified letters, right?

Mr. Jacobs: Yes, what do you take for payment?

Recording Secretary Ferolito: Check.

Mr. Jacobs: Okay, I brought my checkbook. It's in the car, though. I'll run out and get it.

Recording Secretary Ferolito: Okay.

Mrs. Jacobs: The puppy has been fixed since the last time, so both females are fixed.

Chairman Benson: Okay. The animal that's sick, did they ever determine exactly - -

Mr. Jacobs [Interposing]: He's not sick; he's disabled.

Chairman Benson: Disabled.

Mrs. Jacobs: They said a \$7,000 MRI. We're just not; he's so young, that if that progresses we'll go there, but until then we've decided to wait and see how things go. He's healthy, he just mentally is just a little off.

Mr. Jacobs: Yeah, his gait is off.

Mrs. Jacobs: He kind of walks funny. His leg's real high.

Mr. Jacobs: His legs cross over each other when he walks. That's not a good sign for a dog. When you feed him, his coordination is off with his mouth, it's hard to explain but if you spend any time with him you'll see that he's clearly not like the other dog.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: Yeah, there's several letters. Um, the last one from Kelly Ann Smith of 24 Wilcox, is that the house directly across or next door to you guys?

Mrs. Jacobs: Next door.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: Are any of these other letters, they don't have addresses. I'm sorry, there is one that says 16 Wilcox Street.

Mrs. Jacobs: That's the other side of us.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: Okay, so you have both sides. There's a couple that have no addresses on them. I don't know where these people even live. One of them looks like its from Coventry. Are the just sort of people that know you writing in reference to character letters?

Mrs. Jacobs: Yeah, I have a Facebook page since the puppies were born. So, they're people that backed us up basically, just showing we're good animal owners. So we have all neighbors.

Chairman Benson: So you notified all of these neighbors, and no one has come forward to complain. You also have the letters, which is good. We did get the report of the inspection of the house. It talked about, you do have a fenced in yard, um the house was clean. You did show them the entire house, both first and second floors. The dogs can run around the house. You don't have crates for them, they don't go in crates, right?

Mr. Jacobs: No.

Chairman Benson: No, mine never did either. Fairly new fence, he talked about the yard was clean and free of clutter. His last line was ACO Brewster observed what appeared to be a caring, attentive, four dog family with West Shore Animal Hospital as their primary vetrenarian. All dogs are very healthy, clean and seem to be happy and content. Based on this - -

Vice Chairman Gilbert [Interposing]: Do you have any questions for the Animal Control Officer?

Chairman Benson: Oh, I'm sorry.

Colonel Connor: Amy is here just in the event that you guys had any questions.

Chairman Benson: Amy, you weren't the one who went out for this last inspection?

Animal Control Officer Violett: No I wasn't.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: Are you aware of any complaints relative to the dogs at this house, not related to the incident that brought us here today prior, or since; in terms of barking dog complaints, neighbor issues, leash law; are you aware of anything in the last 12 months surrounding this property?

Animal Control Officer Violett: No.

Chairman Benson: Okay. Do you have any questions?

Clerk Paolucci: I don't.

Chairman Benson: Okay, I think what we're going to do then. I'm going to make a motion to allow you to have the four dogs under certain conditions, and this will all be in the motion and the records. I want to explain before we do it though, okay, so you'll understand where we're coming from. This is

an exemption, okay. The caveats will be that if something happens to one of the dogs, your exemption for four dogs is terminated. You cannot have more than three once something happens to one of them.

Mrs. Jacobs: Understood.

Chairman Benson: The other is, what we're going to do also, is that we're going to request that an Animal Control Officer, probably every six months; come out and, you know, they'll make an appointment with you just to see how things are going.

Mrs. Jacobs: Okay.

Chairman Benson: Now, that will stay in place unless there is some kind of a complaint.

Mrs. Jacobs: Okay.

Chairman Benson: Then we'll call you back and the situation will change. Does that sound reasonable to you?

Mrs. Jacobs: Absolutely, that's fair.

Chairman Benson: The biggest thing is that you have to understand that if something happens to one of the dogs you cannot have four dogs, or you'll be in violation.

Mr. Jacobs: I know it sounds like an excuse about the dog being disabled, but we really didn't want four dogs.

Chairman Benson: That's probably the biggest reason. That, and in addition, you are obviously good owners. You care about the dogs.

Vice Chairman Gilbert: I would just add that you make sure you stay up to date with all of the dogs vaccinations, vet visits, you follow all ordinances relative to leash law, any other potential violations with these animals because we are granting this exemption. There is an extra level of responsibility that goes with this, because again, this could open pandora's box for everyone to in the city to come in and ask for exemptions. What we tried to get across to you last time, and I know you were emotional and I can appreciate that, is the fact that dog owners that are asking for this exemption need to come in and basically present their reason to the Board as to why. It's your job to essentially sell the Board as to why. Um, I did some further research as to the ordinance. There's very little language in there that gives you guidance as to what you can and can't do. Yes, there is a breeding license potentially though the state that you could apply for. There isn't one through the Warwick City Ordinances. There is an old ordinance in there that talks about Pitbulls. This is not Pitbulls from my understanding. Kennel license, the same thing. We're not encouraging you to become a kennel, because that's obviously going to defeat the purpose of only having three dogs. So, just understand that you've got a bit more of a spotlight on you because you are getting this exemption; and you are going to have to go above and beyond to make sure the dogs don't get out of the yard, they're on leashes at all times, all their vaccinations are up to do - -

Mrs. Jacobs [Interposing]: And we take that very seriously. I want you to know that. We do.

Mr. Jacobs: We assumed that anyway. If there's a problem.

Chairman Benson: And you don't take them on ball fields.

Mr. Jacobs: Not any more.

Mrs. Jacobs: Absolutely not. Actually, I'm doing like four walks a day. I'm doing one, then another and then two. It's more, but that's what I do.

Mr. Jacobs: We didn't know. It is posted, but people do it every day. We haven't done it since then.

**ACTION:** Chairman Benson made a motion to give the Jacobs an exemption from the Board to allow them to have four dogs; with the understanding that should something happen to one of the dogs the exemption is immediately terminated, and they would only be allowed three dogs from that point on or they will be in violation of the ordinance. Animal Control is requested to visit approximately every six months to see if everything is going well. Also, with the exemption, that this will be immediately reviewed by the Board if there are any complaints from the public neighbors. This is based on the ACO's discretion as well. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**26.** Public Comment – There was no public comment this evening.

At 6:36 p.m. the Board entered Executive Session/

At 6:44 p.m. the Board closed Executive Session, sealed the minutes, and recorded the votes.

#### POLICE EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1. Board Business Review, Discussion and/or Potential Action and/or Vote; Possible Motion(s) to convene into Closed/Executive Session; The Board of Public Safety may convene into Closed / Executive Session to discuss, take possible action, and/or vote pursuant to the relevant requirements of R.I. General Laws § 42-46-5(a) Subsection (3) regarding matters of security Applications pursuant to R.I. General Laws § 11-47-11 and City of Warwick Ordinance Article IV, Division 1, Sec. 6-72: Concealed Carry Weapon Permit. Discussion and/or Potential Action and/or Vote from Executive Session concerning the following Applications:
  - a. Applicant 1 Request for Weapons Carry Permit (**RENEWAL EXECUTIVE**)

**ACTION:** Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**b.** Applicant 2 – Request for Weapons Carry Permit (**RENEWAL – EXECUTIVE**)

**ACTION:** Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**c.** Applicant 3 – Request for Weapons Carry Permit (**NEW – EXECUTIVE**)

**ACTION:** Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

**d.** Applicant 4 – Request for Weapons Carry Permit (**NEW – EXECUTIVE**)

**ACTION:** Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

e. Applicant 5 – Request for Weapons Carry Permit (**NEW – EXECUTIVE**)

**ACTION:** Chairman Benson made a motion to approve. Vice Chairman Gilbert seconded the motion. Chairman Benson, Vice Chairman Gilbert, and Clerk Paolucci voted in favor of the motion. Motion approved.

At 6:45 this meeting was adjourned.

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James Paolucci