

**TOWN OF NORTHFIELD, VERMONT
SELECT BOARD
SPECIAL MEETING
Minutes of April 18, 2016**

- I. **ROLL CALL.** Dave Maxwell, Chair; Select Board members, Lynn Doney, Matthew Gadbois, Kenneth W. Goslant, and Nate Freeman. Also present were Town Manager Jeff Schulz, Shaun Sweet (O'Maddi's Deli & Café), and Kaylan Sweet (O'Maddi's Deli & Café).

Chair Maxwell called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- II. **Public Participation (Scheduled):** None.

- III. **Liquor License Request – O'Maddi's Deli & Café**

Chairman Maxwell stated that this application is a request for a liquor license by O'Maddi's Deli and Café to serve alcohol within the outside seating area on the sidewalk in front of the building. Select Board member Gadbois suggested that a more detailed plan of the seating area be provided. Mr. Sweet of O'Maddi's noted that he had drawn on the sidewalk the area of the proposed seating in anticipation of a site visit. The Board asked whether smoking would be allowed within the outdoor seating area. Mrs. Sweet indicated that smoking would not be allowed. The Board discussed concerns regarding the seating and possible interference with the public, and recommended a site visit to the property.

Motion by Nate Gadbois, second by Lynn Doney to adjourn the meeting to perform a site visit of the property. **Motion approved 5-0.**

The Board reconvened the meeting at O'Maddi's Deli & Café. The proposed seating area was marked on the sidewalk and the owners stated that the seating area is 5' 4" by 13'. The Board discussed concerns about whether there will be adequate clearance between the seating and street light. The owners of O'Maddi's stated that there is 36" of clearance and this should provide adequate space for a person in a wheel chair to safely pass through the area. Also, he stated that there is adequate space on the other side of the light pole.

Motion by Lynn Doney, second by Matt Gadbois, to approve the liquor license request by O'Maddi's Deli and Café to serve alcohol within the outdoor seating for the period April 19, 2016 to April 16, 2017, with the condition that the seating area and its location on the sidewalk complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**

- IV. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Unscheduled).** There was none.

- V. **ADJOURNMENT.** Motion by Select Board member Doney, seconded by Select Board member Freeman to adjourn. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**

The Board adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Schulz

Jeff Schulz, Clerk

These minutes were amended and approved at the regular Select Board meeting of April 26, 2016.