

**TOWN OF ACTON
SELECTMEN'S MEETING MARCH 13, 2007**

Nancy opened a public hearing relative to a request for a Liquor Permit renewal for Big Daddy's Barbecue on Route 109, at 10 a.m. with the following present; Pat Hannon, Pam McAlinden, Chris Kessler, Dawn St.Clair, Sandy Bearnse, John Moore, Pat Baldwin, Dan Hurst, Chris Parr, Bill Paladino, Lorraine Yeaton, Jim Driscoll, Tony Cogliandro, Nancy Ruma. Nancy noted that the board was in an uncomfortable position because they were not happy with the male revue show that was held at Big Daddy's. It certainly did not meet with community standards for family atmosphere. Jim stated that selectmen don't have reason to deny the permit because there have been no legal problems resulting from the business, however he feels they need to adjust their entertainment to fit the Town's persona. Sandy Bearnse said she has taken her children to Big Daddy's and felt that it is very family oriented. Dan Hurst said the building was rented out for the male revue. They did not sponsor it. Pat Hannon said it should not have happened and won't happen again. Nancy noted that there was one incident where the police were called. Dan said the Sheriff's Department asked that they be called in advance when there might be a situation for which they are needed. That is what that call was. Pat Baldwin said that her concern was that the existence of the facility might increase the incidence of OUI's but there is no evidence that this has happened. Lorraine said she has no objection to the serving of alcohol, but some of the entertainment at Big Daddy's and Wild Willys has been an insult to the integrity of the people of the Town of Acton. Since there were no further comments, the hearing was closed.

1. PUBLIC FORUM: John Moore discussed the notification needed for Zoning changes relative to the Comp Plan. Jim said that Anna Williams, the Comp Plan secretary has been given clearance to contact MMA for any legal questions.

Pam asked when selectmen would be making decisions on the petitions. Nancy said probable within a month.

Jennifer Roux came into the meeting with an estimate of cost for the new phone system and moving the wires from in the corner behind Lorraine's desk to the hall closet. She feels selectmen should meet next week with the gentlemen involved, for an explanation of the process.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved as written.

.3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Approved as written.

4. WARRANT: Approved and signed.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

(A) **ASSESSING:** No action.

(B) **CABLE CONTRACT:** No action.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

(A) **LIQUOR PERMIT FOR BIG DADDY'S:** On a motion by Nancy it was voted to postpone the signing until next week as selectmen have not yet received the application.

7. ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nancy Ruma, Tony Cogliandro, Jim Driscoll

OTHERS PRESENT: John Moore, Pam McAlinden, Lorraine Yeaton

MEETINGS: 11 Town , March 19 on County Budget