

- MINUTES
- Pittston Township
- Board of Supervisors Special Meeting
- December 22, 2020
- Pittston Township Municipal Building

Call Meeting To Order                    10.:00 AM

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call                    Steve Rinaldi \_\_P\_\_    Joseph Hawk\_\_P\_\_    David Slezak \_\_P\_\_

In attendance for Pittston Township John Bonita, CPA Manager/Secretary and Len Sanguedolce, Esq. Solicitor, Namesh Patel, Owner. John Rodgers, Esq. attended meeting via phone due to COVID-19 Restrictions.

No transcriptionist was brought to the meeting due to COVID-19 Restrictions. Mr. Bonita, Manager/Secretary of the Pittston Township will prepare minutes of the meeting.

Attorney Rodgers asked if the advertisement was read into the minutes. Mr. Bonita read into the minutes the following public advertisement which appeared in the Citizens Voice on Wednesday December 9, 2020 and Monday December 14, 2020.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Board of Supervisors of Pittston Township will conduct a public hearing on December 22, 2020 at 10:00 AM at the Township Municipal Building located at 421 Broad Street, Pittston, PA to consider and accept public comment regarding an application to transfer a restaurant liquor license (Number R-917) from Backyard BBQ N Grill, LLC 1695 State Route 940, Ebervale, Hazle Township, Luzerne County, PA to Mahalaxmi, LLC 449 PA-315 Pittston, Luzerne County, PA

Fee payable to Pittston Township was received by Pittston Township in the amount of \$500

Prior to the meeting Attorney Rodgers in his letter dated November 24, 2020 requested a public hearing pursuant to Section 461 of the Liquor Code to present to the Supervisors the formal request to transfer the License, R-917 into Pittston Township. Since the transfer crosses municipal boundaries within the same county Township approval must be granted.

Supervisors questioned Mr. Patel as to the business location and name. The requested license would be at Denny's Restaurant, 449 Pa 315, the Corporate name Mahalaxmi, LLC, Corporate Office 6307 Columbia Blvd., Bloomsburg, PA 17815. Mr. Bonita questioned the use and whether or not there was a drawing of the to be licensed premises. Attorney Rodgers stated that since the entire premises will be licensed the Liquor Control Board would visit the site and have to approve the licensed premises. He stated that the Resolution he presented would first have to be approved and forwarded to the LCB in order to start the process. Supervisors questioned as to the use of the license and whether or not take out would be allowed or just consumption on premises. Take out, if at all, would be limited.

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Mr. Bonita questioned as to the receipt of the 2020 mercantile tax which was due March 15, 2020. He explained that the 2020 mercantile tax was based on 2019 receipts and he could not find that Mahalamix had filed and paid the tax. He would check with the tax collector and discuss this matter with Mr. Patel. Attorney Rodgers stated that the LCB would do background checks, tax compliance checks, etc. before the issuance of the license to the applicant.

- Motion - to adopt Resolution 12- 23 of 2020 approving the transfer of License R-917 into Pittston Township
  - Steve Rinaldi \_S\_\_\_ Joseph Hawk\_\_M\_\_\_ David Slezak \_
- Roll Call Steve Rinaldi \_Y\_\_ Joseph Hawk\_\_Y\_\_ David Slezak \_\_Y\_\_

Attached are:

1. Resolution 12-23
2. Citizens Voice Advertisement
3. John P. Rodgers, Esq. letter request

**Adjournment:** Motion to Adjourn

- Steve Rinaldi \_\_M\_\_ Joseph Hawk\_S\_\_\_\_ David Slezak \_
- Roll Call Steve Rinaldi \_\_Y\_\_ Joseph Hawk\_\_Y\_\_ David Slezak \_\_Y\_\_

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