



RELEASED
APPROVED

**MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING
REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY
Monday, March 22, 2021
5:30 P.M.**

SELECTMEN PARTICIPATING: Larry Ballantine, Donald Howell, Michael MacAskill, Edward McManus. **Absent:** Stephen Ford

ALSO PARTICIPATING: Town Administrator Joseph Powers.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Ballantine opened the meeting at 6:32 pm, and called to order the Public Hearing. He explained that he first called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm for Executive Session, where they discussed tonight's hearing for Ember and The Port. He explained that a decision was made to postpone the hearing for two weeks.

Mr. Ballantine said that they were faced with a notice of pending litigation, which would send them to Federal and State court. He said that it was the strong recommendation of legal counsel, that to protect the town interest, they would be best served to postpone the meeting for two weeks. This will ensure that their defenses are in order and also give them the time to sort out the need for additional legal counsel. Therefore, by postponing for two weeks they can be assured to best serve the interest of the town and still have an open meeting for The Port and Ember.

Mr. Powers said that he wanted to advise everyone that the motion intent is to continue this process on April 5, 2021 at 5:30 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Ember Pizza, 600 Rt. 28 – Public hearing on applications for renewal of the Seasonal All Alcoholic Beverages License and the Annual Entertainment License; discussion and vote and public hearing on reconsideration of January 24, 2021 decision to renew the Annual Wine and Malt Beverage License for said premises; discussion and possible vote to order discipline based on Town Administrator's February 8, 2021 findings and recommendations.

REVOKED
The public hearing will be postponed until April 5, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Mr. MacAskill moved that they adjourn the Public Hearing at 5:32 pm. Seconded by Mr. McManus

Roll Call Vote: Mr. MacAskill - Aye, Mr. McManus - Aye, Mr. Howell - Aye, Mr. Ballantine - Aye. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Howell moved that they adjourn at 5:34 pm. Seconded by Mr. MacAskill.

Roll Call Vote: Mr. MacAskill - Aye, Mr. Howell - Aye, Mr. McManus - Aye. Mr. Ballantine - Aye. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Schwab
Board Secretary