

## **The Town of Barnstable**

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Thomas K. Lynch, Acting Town Manager

## TOWN MANAGER PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES 367 Main Street – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Hearing Room, Hyannis, MA April 4, 2012 - 10:00 a.m.

A Town Manager Hearing was held on Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. Acting Town Manager, Thomas K. Lynch, called the meeting to order and introduced himself. Also present were Thomas F. Geiler, Director of Regulatory Services, Richard V. Scali, Consumer Affairs Supervisor and Christine Ade, Recorder. Mr. Lynch then read the hearing notice as follows:

**Hearing for Transfer of Taxi Permit:** In accordance with the Town of Barnstable Rules and Regulations for the Regulation of Taxi Cabs and the Operation Thereof, the Acting Town Manager, Thomas K. Lynch, will hold a public hearing on a request of Dorothy A. Morin, All Cape Taxi, to transfer the existing taxi permit including the name of the company and the existing vehicle, a 1999 Buick Centra sedan, to Eugene C. McNeill and Linda J. McNeill, 9 Juniper Lane, North Harwich, MA.

Mr. Lynch stated that the notice and hearing are in accordance with the Town Rules and Regulations for the Regulation of Taxicabs and the Operation Thereof. We have received a signed Purchase Agreement and a letter from Dorothy Morin indicating she sold the business, the permit, the company name and the vehicle itself to Eugene and Linda McNeill. We have the Request for Vehicle for Hire Permit application, Worker's Compensation Affidavit, resume and a copy of the Business Certificate.

Mr. Lynch then called upon the owner to speak. Dorothy A. Morin, 65 Oak Street, Hyannis spoke stating that she has owned the business with her deceased husband for well over 20 years. She stated that Mr. McNeill has been driving for them for all of that time. It has gotten to be too much for her lately, and she decided to sell the company, and the first name to come to mind was Eugene. It will continue on with the same cab, the same name, and the same driver. She stated that Mr. McNeill has been a loyal employee, took care of the taxi like it was his own.

Mr. Lynch asked about Mr. McNeill, and Mrs. Morin stated that she has received many calls complimenting Mr. McNeill for his friendliness and competence.

Mr. Geiler stated that the transfer is easier as everything is in order and the vehicle is already licensed. He stated that staff would recommend to Mr. Lynch that the transfer be approved.

Mr. McNeill expressed his thanks to everyone.

Mr. Lynch invited public comment, but no other public comment took place. Mr. Lynch stated for the record that he has reviewed the file and after hearing from Mrs. Morin and Mr. McNeill this morning he feels comfortable approving the request. He signed the permit.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Christine P. Ade, Recorder

Thomas K. Lynch, Acting Town Manager