

**HEARINGS, MEETINGS, LICENSES**

**7-1-13**



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**Edgeway fine**

1 message

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**Anne McGann**

Mon, May 6, 2013 at 2:36 PM

To: Charles Cristello <[ccristello@middleborough.com](mailto:ccristello@middleborough.com)>

Hi Charlie, The residents of Edgeway are requesting to be put on the agenda for the purpose of discussing the implementation of the \$100.00 fine for operating without a license, CHAPTER 140: SECTION 32E, page 78.

Thank you, Anne McGann

To the Middleboro Town Selectman,

I am the manager at Gifts of the Magpie at 111 Centre street Middleboro, Mass. We have been in business here for about 3 years. We are very slow here at our shop mostly due to parking there is no parking for customers that want to stop and shop at our store. Mostly because you have town people like one in particular whose name is Butch who will park in the front of our store and just sit on Empty Hamper laundry matt bench for hours, and leave his vehicle taking up our spot for potential customers. He has been asked nicely if he could park some ware elts where he is not shopping he is just loitering. And he refuses tells us to call police. That's just one of the problems here also we have people parking here for 2 ½ to 3 hours at a time while there is dance class at the Burt wood school, Also we have people parking in excess of 2 hours to go to the hair saloon next door to our shop. It's very hard to make it here as a business with no parking it is a huge issue. Small businesses are not going to stay in town if this parking issue is not resolved. We would like 15 minute parking signs put on our spots here out front of our store. We see that the owner Rocky at the Package store a block away was allowed to have 15 minute parking signs and the town even painted spots on street for him. That's what we want done here at our shop. We temporarily tried it and it works, we made our own 15 minute parking signs put them out and customers where considerate and only park with in the 15 minute time limit. There are in place 1 hour parking signs on the pole which no one enforces and are ignored, so we were told by one of your clerks to write you a letter explaining what's going on and what we would like to resolve this issue and you would give us a meeting to discuss this issue. This letter and request is also for Smoke n Ashes the Smoke shop next door to my shop at same address. The manager of that shop is Sandy Tate of Middleboro. We both would like a date and time to sit down with you or someone who can handle this issue. As soon as possible this is very important for our businesses.

Thank You

Lori Thibeault At Magpie

Sandy Tate At Smoke N Ashes (77

Smoke N Ashes Tobacco  
111 Centre St  
Middleboro, MA 02346  
(508) 947-4145

Dear Middleboro Town Selectman:

I, Sandra Tate, am writing as proprietor of Smoke N Ashes tobacco store. Our business requests that two 15 minute parking spots become available in front of Smoke N Ashes and Gifts of the Magpie on Centre St. There is rarely available, convenient parking for our customers. The current policy is to allow 1 hour parking on Centre St. However, it is not strictly enforced. Last week I observed two cars on the same day park for 3 and 4 hours without repercussion. This request has already been granted to Savas liquors for about 6 months at this time. Their businesses' customers and their time needs are similar to the patrons of Smoke N Ashes. Both types of customers are in and out.

Our businesses are harmed by the loss of customers and income due to the current policy. In Middleboro, most people drive versus walk to the downtown area. The lack of available parking dissuades customers from stopping and purchasing tobacco products or shopping at Gifts of the Magpie. It is inconvenient for customers to find parking at our stores when similar businesses have parking lots that are more convenient for customers to use. This hurts all of downtown commerce.

For businesses that require longer periods of time in the store, there are no shortage of parking options near downtown Middleboro. There is the lot behind Benny's, the lot behind the town hall, and ample parking on all of the side streets. These parking spots on Centre St. need to be available for the type of customers our businesses cater to.

Middleboro's small downtown businesses have had a hard time remaining open, in part due to the parking on Centre St. As owners and proprietors of small businesses, we are requesting these two 15 minute spots. We need them so our small businesses are able to compete and flourish in our downtown location. Thank you for hearing our request.

Sincerely,  
Sandra Tate  
Lori Thibeault, [REDACTED] Gifts of the Magpie (508) [REDACTED]



# Town of Middleborough

Massachusetts

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## BOARD OF SELECTMEN

July 1, 2013

Celia Riechel  
Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs  
100 Cambridge Street – Suite 900  
Boston, MA 02114

**RE: Town of Middleborough Application – LAND Grant FY2014**

Dear Ms. Riechel:

On Monday, July 1, 2013, the Board of Selectmen voted to support the Conservation Commission's grant application for Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity (LAND) Grant Program to be used to acquire parcels of land in Middleborough, known as the "Lion's Head" property. The Conservation Commission has identified this parcel of land, which has significant frontage on the Nemasket River a direct tributary to the Wild & Scenic Taunton River, as being an important piece of land to be acquired for conservation as open space. If acquired, this will add to the area of parcels that are currently protected and which are being actively protected. The Conservation Commission hopes to also supplement the purchase of this property with our Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds.

Sincerely,

For BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Stephen J. McKinnon, Chairman