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SELECT BOARD MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023

Select Board Chair Paul Ciaburri (via Zoom,) Vice-Chair Bradford Morse, and Clerk Adam Murphy are Present.

The Select Board's Open Meeting is opened by Vice-Chair Bradford Morse.

Minutes:

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Murphy to accept the Open Session Minutes from August 8, 2023. The motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the minutes are approved with a unanimous vote. Roll Call Vote Ciaburri – Aye, Morse – Aye, Murphy - Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Select Board Signature:

Host Community Agreement First Amendment - Megan's Organic Market -

Motion: A Motion is made by Select Board Member Morse to accept the Megan's Organic Market Host Community Agreement First Amendment as presented. The motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion is approved with a unanimous vote. Roll Call Vote Ciaburri – Aye, Morse – Aye, Murphy - Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Murphy to allow the outreach meeting to be held via Zoom. The motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion is approved with a unanimous vote. Roll Call Vote Ciaburri – Aye, Morse – Aye, Murphy - Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Correspondence:

Conservation Commission: Request for Appointment: Drew McManus -

Motion: A motion is made by Select Board Member Murphy to appoint Drew McManus to the Conservation Commission, term to expire April 30, 2026. The motion is seconded by Select Board Member Ciaburri. All members of the Board are in favor, the motion is approved with a unanimous vote. Roll Call Vote Ciaburri – Aye, Morse – Aye, Murphy - Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Select Board Member Morse makes a statement on the flag policy. Mr. Morse states that the policy pertains to town owned property and the library property is statutorily exempt from this policy

unless the flag policy is adopted by the Board of Trustees. Mr. Morse states the Library Board of Trustees will have a meeting on September 14, 2023, to discuss this matter.

Town Administrators Report:

- Town Administrator Cannon lets the Board know that Mr. Underhill of the Water Commission wants the Board to know that former School Committee Member Charles Pierce has passed away.
- Town Administrator Cannon states that the refund checks should be administered by Direct Energy to residents from the delay in the community energy program starting.

Old Business.

Select Board Member Murphy follows up with Town Administrator Cannon on the online building permits and the Town's social media policy. Mr. Cannon states he is still working with the building inspector on the online permits. He also states that Town Counsel has looked at the social media policy and it is up to date.

Adjournment:

Motion: Select Board Member Morse makes a motion to enter into Executive Session in accordance with G.L.c.30A 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares, not to return back into Open Session at the conclusion. This motion is seconded by Select Board Member Murphy. All members of the Board are in favor and the Executive Session meeting is opened. Roll Call Vote Ciaburri – Aye, Morse – Aye, Murphy - Aye 3:0 motion passes.

Adam C. Murphy, Clerk