

February 21, 2017

Selectmen's Meeting

Present: Steve Shatz, Don Chabon, Chuck Cardillo, Danielle Fillio, and CTSB

Chuckie welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Steve expressed his condolences to the daughters and family of Jack Spencer who passed away on February 19, 2017. Jack was a wonderful person, beloved teacher, extraordinary public servant having served on numerous boards, and provided a wealth of historical information of Stockbridge.

Steve let everyone know that a memorial service would be held at Monument Mountain High School at 1 PM on Saturday, February 25th.

Paul Davis representing Verizon came before the Board with a request to locate a jointly owned pole, #T.398/E.41 at 38A Glendale Road to be located on the easterly side of Glendale Road at a point approximately 2,352 feet northerly from the center line of Furnace Road for extension of service to a house being built.

With no one in attendance wishing to speak on behalf of or against the application, the Board closed the hearing. It was noted that no abutters had contacted the Town with concerns.

Steve made a motion to approve the pole location. Don seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Kim Noltemy of the Boston Symphony Orchestra came before the Board to give them an informal presentation on an upcoming project they are planning for their Tanglewood property.

They are currently working with William Rawn Associates Architects to design the buildings and Reed Hildebrand as their landscape architect.

The proposal is for a 30 million dollar project to include a new four building complex for the Tanglewood Music Center and Tanglewood Learning Institute. The building will be climate-controlled for availability and use all year long.

The project will also include improvements to the Ozawa Hall campus to include updated bathrooms and improvements to the Ozawa Hall gate which would include a new entrance way.

The largest of the four buildings will be 77 by 52 feet to accommodate an audience of 200 people in a concert style, 300 for lectures, and 250 for a dinner. The second building is a 45 by 37 foot building to accommodate 60 and a 35 by 27 foot studio which can accommodate 40 people in a theater style. The fourth building will be 107 by 30 foot, 150 seat capacity, café.

The hope is to break ground at the end of August 2017 and to open in the summer of 2019.

Kim estimates that about 200 people will be using the facility for four to five weekends in the season which should not significantly impact the regular season occupancy.

It was noted that they will be using a pre-existing adjacent parking lot which would need to be graveled or paved.

Steve felt that this is a long time coming, great for the arts and music education, and a wonderful addition for the Berkshires to be able to use all year long.

With no other comments the Board thanked them for their presentation.

Steve explained that since 2007 the Town has been reviewing the easements they have, which even included water line easements.

During that time it was realized that the houses that were owned by the sextons of the cemetery, which are now owned by Bill Williams and the Goudy's, were not given easements across town property to be able to access their parking area.

The Town is working on giving them easements but need Town Meeting approval.

Another concern was with the Old Town Hall and the Congregational Church. The Church is land locked as no easements have ever been granted to cross Town property to access Main Street. A preliminary easement plan would expand the existing 18 foot drive between the buildings to 35 feet to allow for 2-way traffic. During the survey work for easements it was found that a triangular piece of land towards the Sanderson property is owned by the Church. The initial thought is to do a land swap so that the Church would no longer be land locked and an easement there would not be necessary.

Steve explained that this will most likely go to Town Meeting vote and that the vote would not actually be on the wording but just an authorization vote for the Select Board to enter into agreements and/or easements.

Don said that he would like to have a meeting with the church to have their thoughts on this.

Next, Steve made a motion to approve minutes of January 9th and January 18th. Don seconded the motion and noted that the wording of his motion needed to be changed on January 9th minutes. The vote was unanimous.

With no further business to discuss, Steve made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Don seconded the motion. The vote to adjourn was unanimous.