

SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Monday, March 18, 2019
7:00 PM
TOWN OFFICES, 50 MAIN STREET

Present:

Don Chabon, Chuck Cardillo, Terry Flynn and Danielle Fillio

Call to Order:

Don called the meeting to order.

Announcements:

Don reviewed the upcoming meeting dates.

He stated they have openings for the ZBA, alternate for Conservation, Cable Advisory, and the Stockbridge Cultural Council.

Karen Marshall, 3 Cherry Hill Road, chair of the Stockbridge Cultural Council asked to add Andrea Sholler to the council.

Don moved to add Andrea Sholler to the Cultural Council. Terry seconded; all were in approval.

Minutes:

Don moved to approve the minutes of February 19th and February 25th. Terry seconded; all were in favor.

Agenda:

First on the agenda was a special permit continuation.

Don moved that the Board open the continuation of the public hearing for Jane Iredale for property at 106 Interlaken Road owned by W. Eric and Margot T. Egan. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Attorney Vicki Donahue spoke on the application. The lot has 3.9 acres and the R-4 zoning requirement is 4 acres. The lot is a grandfathered lot. There is a structure on the property and it was proposed to convert it to an accessory use by removing the kitchen and move the single family house in the center of the lot.

Brent White from White Engineering reviewed the plans and was followed by Mark Matthews who spoke further on the driveway entrance, landscaping and house details.

Following Board and public discussion Don moved that they closed the hearing for deliberation of the Board. Terry seconded; all were in approval.

Don moved that they approve the application as presented tonight with the understanding that the existing cabin on the property will have the kitchen removed, stay secondary and not be returned to residential, based on the finding that it is not substantially more detrimental to the neighborhood. Terry seconded; all were in favor.

Next on the agenda was the review and approval of the Town Budget.

Steve Knopf from Parks and Recreation presented a special article request for \$60,000 for improvements to the beach and parks. The article is broken down into three main components: Town beach site improvements, new equipment at the beach and new playground equipment. Don moved that the Board accept the special article as presented. Terry seconded, all were in favor.

Neil Haywood, interim Fire Chief, presented the level funded FY20 operating budget and a request for a special article for OSHA upgrades and station upgrades.

Don moved to approve the line for Town Offices salaries. Vote: Don: I, Terry: I, Chuck: I,

Next, Danielle read through suggested Warrant articles for further editing.

Article 15 was \$250,000 for engineering for traffic improvements to come out of stabilization. Terry stated that he was against putting this item on the Warrant and suggested taking another approach, with discussion at Town Meeting. Chuck said that he felt the Town should vote on this.

Danielle said that in speaking with Juliet Locke, they are suggesting postponing filing PIN and PFN reports right now and reapply in the fall, bring to the Town Meeting the \$250,000 and working with Juliet provide three break outs; the Route 7 Intersection, the Main Street section and The Red Lion Inn Intersection. This would give out the survey, the more formal design plans of what can and cannot fit and during that process, create a traffic improvements committee and working with Juliet come up with a few different options for each. From there it would be decided which to present to the State. Other options could also be explored that may not be approved and paid for by the State, but would improve the traffic flow. Don said that he would like to see more public options incorporated into the engineering design by working with the committee. Terry felt that they should get a sense of the Town first before spending money. Don was in favor of moving it forward by putting it on the Warrant and the three part break out. It was decided to table it for now.

Next was the proposal for a new harvester. Danielle said based on the cost would determine where the money would come from. She was told that they would not be able to come up with this number until June. Danielle suggested this be tabled this also. Don said that with the many questions pending it should be tabled pending further information.

Chuck made a motion to approve the Warrant except for the tabled items. Don seconded; all were in approval.

Don noted a number of potential Warrant articles via citizen's petition for government change. He no longer felt that as a Board they should address these changes.

It was advised to have such petitions in by April 12th.

The Board decided to authorize Danielle to sign the weekly warrants.

Don moved to authorize the Town Administrator to sign all weekly warrants in place of the Select Board in accordance with M.G.L. c 41, §23A. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

Adjournment:

With no further business, Don made a motion to adjourn. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.