

TOWN OF EDGARTOWN

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TOWN OF EDGARTOWN BOARD OF WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 5, 2019

WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mr. Glen S. Searle, Chairman

Mr. Scott Ellis, Commissioner

Mr. Sean E. Murphy, Commissioner

EWWD STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. David Thompson, Facilities Manager Mrs. Pia Webster, Administrative Assistant

OTHER TOWN STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. James M. Hagerty, Town Administrator

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ms. June D. Ameen, Resident, 13 Duarte Circle Mr. Henry R. Fauteux, Resident, 9 Duarte Circle

Mr. Michael A. Goldsmith, Attorney, Reynolds, Rappaport, Kaplan & Hackney, LLC

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

The Board of Waste Water Commissioners of the Town of Edgartown held a Special Meeting on Tuesday, February 5, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. in the Fred B. Morgan, Jr. Selectmen's Meeting Room at the Edgartown Town Hall, 70 Main Street, Edgartown, Mass. At 3:00 p.m. Chairman Glen S. Searle called the meeting to order. Also present from the Board were Commissioners Scott Ellis and Sean E. Murphy.

NEW BUSINESS:

DISCUSSION/VOTE/SIGNING: WARRANT TO COLLECTOR AND COMMITMENT - FY19 SEWER USER CHARGES.

Administrative Assistant Pia Webster related that the Commitment for the Fiscal Year 2019 Sewer User Charges was not ready yet due to some computer issues and that she would have it

completed the following week. Having said that, Mrs. Webster added, the next agenda item – Discussion/Vote/Signing: Abatement No. 1 – FY19 Sewer User Charges (Prorated Accounts) – would also have to wait until the billing was done.

OLD BUSINESS:

REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF REQUESTS FOR SEWER LINE EXTENSION FOR DUARTE CIRCLE.

OTHER BUSINESS:

POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION: FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING STRATEGY WITH RESPECT TO THREATENED LITIGATION IF AN OPEN MEETING WOULD HAVE A DETRIMENTAL EFFECT ON THE LITIGATING POSITION OF THE PUBLIC BODY.

Chairman Searle read into the record the titles of the next two items of business, as written on the agenda.

The Chairman then offered his motion: That the Board go into Executive Session for review and discussion of requests for the sewer line extension for Duarte Circle, under the authority of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 20(a)(3), to discuss strategy with respect to threatened litigation if an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigation position of the public body, if the Chair so declares, after a Roll Call Vote, and to obtain or receive the advice of counsel, if requested, and that the Board not return to Open Session. Commissioner Murphy offered a second.

Attorney Michael A. Goldsmith suggested that the Chairman to amend his motion to indicate that the Board *may return to Open Session*. Chairman Searle so amended his motion, and Commissioner Murphy seconded the amended motion. The Chairman asked the Admin Assistant for a Roll Call Vote.

Admin Assistant Webster conducted a Roll Call Vote, with the results as follows:

Chairman Glen S. Searle Yes
Commissioner Scott Ellis Yes
Commissioner Sean E. Murphy

"Unanimous," said Mrs. Webster. The Chairman announced that the Board was going into Executive Session and that he would let those who were leaving know when the session was done. June Ameen and Henry Fauteux, both residents of Duarte Circle, left the meeting room. The time was 3:06 p.m.

Chairman Searle continued the Open Session at 3:52 p.m. Ms. Ameen and Mr. Fauteux rejoined the others. The Chairman informed those present that the Board had not made a decision that day; so the Board would probably meet sometime the following week. "We'll let you know what day that is," he said. So there'll be another Special Meeting? asked Ms. Ameen. Yes, answered the Chairman, Wednesday, February 13, at three o'clock.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Commissioner Ellis made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Murphy. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote. The Special Meeting adjourned at 3:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pia Webster Administrative Assistant

APPROVED:

BOARD OF WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS TOWN OF EDGARTOWN

Glen S. Searle, Chairman

Scott Ellis, Commissioner

Sean E. Murphy, Commissioner