

Board of Selectmen
February 1, 2021
4:00 pm

A meeting of the Board was held on the above date via Zoom Teleconference. Members present were: Arthur Smadbeck, Chairman; Michael Donaroma and Margaret E. Serpa. Also present was the Town Administrator James Hagerty.

At 4:00 pm Mr. Smadbeck opened the meeting then recognized Mr. Hagerty.

Mr. Hagerty read out the following statement:

As a preliminary matter, this is James Hagerty, Town Administrator. Permit me to confirm that all members and persons anticipated on the agenda are present and can hear me.

- *Members, when I call your name, please respond in the affirmative. State each members' name.*

Ms. Serpa, Mr. Donaroma and Mr. Smadbeck all answered in the affirmative.

Mr. Hagerty then continued:

Good afternoon. This Open Meeting of Edgartown Board of Selectmen is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Baker's Executive Order of March 12, 2020, due to the current State of Emergency in the Commonwealth due to the outbreak of the "COVID-19 Virus." In order to mitigate the transmission of the COVID-19 Virus, we have been advised and directed by the Commonwealth to suspend public gatherings, and as such, the Governor's Order suspends the requirement of the Open Meeting Law to have all meetings in a publicly accessible physical location. Further, all members of public bodies are allowed and encouraged to participate remotely. The Order allows public bodies to meet entirely remotely so long as reasonable public access is afforded so that the public can follow along with the deliberations of the meeting. Ensuring public access does not ensure public participation unless such participation is required by law. This meeting will feature public comment.

For this meeting, Edgartown Board of Selectmen are convening by via Zoom App as posted on the Town's Website identifying how the public may join for "Zoom" Meetings.

Please note that this meetings is being recorded, and that some attendees are participating by video conference. Accordingly, please be aware that other folks may be able to see you, and that take care not to "screen share" your computer. Anything that you broadcast may be captured by the recording.

Meeting Business Ground Rules:

Before the meeting is opened by the Chair, permit me to cover some ground rules for effective and clear conduct of our business and to ensure accurate meeting minutes.

- o Please remember to mute your phone or computer when you are not speaking;*
- o Please remember to speak clearly and in a way that helps generate accurate minutes*

For Items with Public Comment:

After members have spoken, I will afford public comment as follows:

- *I will first ask members of the public who wish to speak to identify their names and addresses only;*
- *You will then be called upon one at a time to speak.*

Mr. Smadbeck then started to address the first item on the agenda which was A Block a Portion of the Road Permit for the Haynes Group who was doing some work at 19 Main Street. Present was Mr. Jeff Benevides of the Haynes Group and Highway Superintendent Allan deBettencourt.

There was discussion over where an appropriate location was either on N. Water Street or in the parking lot at the bottom of Main Street.

Mr. deBettencourt asked that, wherever it was located, plywood be placed under the runners to protect the asphalt.

Ms. Serpa moved to approve the dumpster for two weeks in a location agreed upon by Mr. deBettencourt and the applicant and that plywood is required under the runners to protect the pavement. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

A Transient Vendor License for Rags.

A Lodging House License for the Lightkeeper's Inn.

Common Victualler Licenses for: Espresso Love, Great Harbor Market and R&B's Eatery

The minutes of 1/25/2021.

The Appoint Jennifer Smyth as Purchasing Agent for the town.

The Board then approved the bill warrants.

Mr. Hagerty then asked if he could explore having Town Meeting in May. If it was done in the tents like last year it may be a bit chilly in April. The Board encouraged him to explore options for May.

At 4:10 PM Ms. Serpa moved to adjourn. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. The Board did a rollcall vote and all voted Aye. Unanimous

Approved:

Arthur Smadbeck, Chairman

Michael J. Donaroma

Margaret E. Serpa
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose
Administrative Assistant