

## Board of Selectmen

March 22, 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 J. 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 Public Hearing for an alteration of premises for the Yacht Club. He read the notice aloud. Present was Manager Bill Roman.

Mr. Roman stated that, with the renovation, there were minor changes to the layout.

There being no comment, Mr. Smadbeck closed the hearing. Ms. Serpa moved to approve the alteration. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Hagerty then asked the Board to change the Annual Town Election date to May 25, 2021. The State has recently changed the rules so that the election can be held after Town Meeting.

Ms. Serpa moved to change the Annual Town Election date to May 25, 2021. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Smadbeck then addressed a request from the Shellfish Committee to extend the Bay Scallop Season in the Outer Harbor only to April 30th. All other areas would close on March 31st. Limits and rules would remain the same.

Ms. Serpa moved to approve. Mr. Donaroma seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Smadbeck then moved on to the next item on the agenda which was the Marine Advisory Committee's recommendations for Cape Pogue regulations.

Chairman Bruce McIntosh presented a map with a demarcated line showing where the moratorium on anchorage would take place. The moratorium included: 1) The whole area being a no wake zone. 2) No anchoring in the marked areas. 3) Monitoring by Shellfish, Harbor and Police departments.

There being no comment, Mr. Smadbeck stated that he would entertain a motion. Ms. Serpa moved to approve the moratorium as set forth by the Marine Advisory Committee. Mr. Donaroma saw it as a good compromise and seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then made the following actions on the following items:

Approved Common Victualler Licenses for Dairy Queen and Mad Martha's

Approved a Commercial Marine License for the Harborside Inn.

Approved an amendment to the permit for Star Propane to have propane storage.

Approved a banner permit for the Vineyard Gazette for their 175th birthday.

Approved the weekly bill warrants.

Approved the minutes of 3/15/21.

At 4:21 PM Ms. Serpa moved to adjourn. Mr. Donaroma seconded. The Board did a rollcall vote and all voted Aye. Unanimous

Approved:

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Arthur Smadbeck, Chairman

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Michael J. Donaroma

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Margaret E. Serpa  
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

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