

Selectboard
November 15, 2021
4:00 pm

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

At 4:00 pm Ms. Serpa 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 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.*

Ms. Serpa then started and addressed the first item on the agenda which was a Shade Tree Hearing to remove two Sycamore Maples at 16 Silva Lane. Present were Jenny Young and Patty Quinn for the owners and Tree Warden Alan deBettencourt.

Ms. Young stated that the trees were in poor condition. She'd like to replace with one tree after construction. An October Glory Maple.

Mr. deBettencourt agreed with the state of the trees and the replacement species. He stated that there was only really room for one replacement tree.

Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve the removal and replacement by October 31, 2022 with oversight by the Tree Warden. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then moved on to the next item which was a request for the Harbor View Hotel to close for maintenance from January 2, 2022 to February 2, 2022.

