

**Town of Edgartown
Selectboard
January 31, 2022
4:00 pm**

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

At 4:00 pm Mr. Donaroma 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.*

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

Mr. Hagerty then continued:

Good afternoon. This Open Meeting of the Edgartown Selectboard 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, the Edgartown Selectboard 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 meeting 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. Donaroma then opened the meeting and started by thanking everyone for their hard work keeping the town safe and maintained during and after the blizzard. The other Board members agreed.

He then addressed the next item on the agenda which was an Eversource Hearing for the placement of two anchors for the poles leading into the Dark Woods Park & Ride Lot. Present was Right of Way Agent Marissa Jackson.

Ms. Jackson stated that they need to put in new poles to replace the old poles to serve the car chargers being installed in the Park & Ride. The new poles will need anchors which need to be permitted.

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

Mr. Donaroma then moved on to the next item which was the Master Plan Committee. Ms. Juliet Mulinare, Chair was present.

Ms. Mulinare introduced herself and thanked the Board for having them. She then introduced Jason King who is the Project Director from Dover, Kohl & Partners who is the firm the Town has engaged to help with the Master Plan.

Mr. King shared that this is a big multifaceted project. Public involvement is important and everyone is encouraged to attend and be heard. There will be 18 different meetings with breakout sessions and 2 public discussions. One in the winter and one in the summer.

Mr. Donaroma thanked them for the update and stated there was an application from the Master Plan Committee for a banner from February 11th – 18th. Ms. Serpa moved to approve the banner. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Donaroma then moved on to the next item which was an application for Edgartown's section of the MV Marathon for May 21st. The application was signed with conditions by the required departments.

Ms. Serpa moved to approve with the conditions set forth by Police and Highway Departments. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Donaroma then recognized Mr. Alan Strahler, Chair of the Energy Committee for an update.

Mr. Strahler stated that they are working on the Energy Reduction Plan. It is a plan to reduce energy consumption by 20%. It is non-binding and paid out by the state as the items are executed.

Ms. Serpa moved to approve the Energy Reduction Plan and sign the letter. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

A Commitment for the Harbormaster Department.

Minutes of January 24th

The bill and payroll warrants for the week.

The Board appointed Rachel Self to the Cape Pogue DCPC Committee.

The Board appointed the following people to the Edgartown Climate Committee: Jennifer Blum, Josey Kirkland, Peter Kirn, Julia Livingston, Kevin Loughlin, Doris Ward and Cari Williamson.

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

Approved:

Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman

Margaret E. Serpa

Arthur Smadbeck
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose
Administrative Assistant