

**Town of Edgartown
Selectboard
March 21, 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 addressed the first item on the agenda which was an Eversource Hearing to place a pole on Edgartown/Vineyard Haven Rd. to serve 4 Chambers Way. Present was Highway Superintendent Allan deBettencourt. The Eversource representative was not present.

Mr. deBettencourt stated that he had reviewed the application and approved of the location of the new pole.

There was correspondence from the Water Department requesting notification of when the work would be done.

There being no further input, Mr. Donaroma closed the hearing. Mr. Smadbeck moved to approve with the notification to the Water Department. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Donaroma then moved on to the next item which was an extension to the Bay Scallop Season and to make some alterations to the Oyster Season. Shellfish Constable Rob Morrison was present.

Mr. Morrison stated that the Shellfish Committee had voted on March 1st and requested the Board to approve the following:

- Close the Commercial Bay Scallop Season inside Cape Pogue Pond on April 1, 2022, as already scheduled.
- Extend the Commercial Bay Scallop Season in all other areas outside of Cape Pogue until May 1, 2022.
- Extend the Sengekontacket Oyster Season until May 1, 2022.
- Open a commercial oyster season in Edgartown Great Pond from April 1, 2022 until May 1, 2022. Harvest with rakes and poles only. Dragging or jetting is prohibited. Oyster limit is (10) 100 count bags per day. Harvest allowed Monday through Friday 7am to 4:30 pm.

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

Mr. Donaroma then recognized Erin Ready from the Edgartown Board of Trade to present plans for “Mother’s Day in Edgartown”.

She requested the following for May 6-8, 2022:

- Horse & Carriage Rides on Saturday, May 7th and Sunday, May 8th originating and ending at the Harbor View, with advance booking required. We will work with Sunnyside Rides who has been doing the same services the last few years.
- Use of the mini park throughout the weekend for a spring display or photo opportunity, such as the lawn flamingos we had in 2021.
- Use of the Mini Park and Yellow House Square on Saturday, May 7th for non-profit use. We will share prior to the weekend who, if anyone, requests to have a presence downtown.
- Permission for a children’s downtown story walk in partnership with the Edgartown Library throughout May.

She also requested to use the Yellow House Park for Climate Action Week, April 8-14, for a climate themed art installation.

Ms. Serpa moved to approve all the requests and wished her good luck and good weather. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then made the following actions:

Set a Liquor License Hearing for April 4th at 4pm for Détente for an Alteration of Premises.

Approved a Block a Portion of a Public Way Permit for Conover Restoration to block parking spots in the corner of the Town Hall parking lot on Saturdays only to facilitate an addition on the back of Rosewater.

Approved two One Day Liquor Licenses for the MV Preservation Trust for the Taste of the Vineyard and the Gala Dinner in June.

Approved a Common Victualler License for Mad Martha’s.

Approved a Travel Voucher for the Highway Department.

Approved the Minutes of March 14, 2022.

Approved the weekly bill and payroll warrants.

At 4:18 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