

**Town of Edgartown  
Selectboard  
October 17, 2022  
4:00 pm**

A meeting of the Board was held on the above date via Zoom Teleconference. Members present were: Margaret E. Serpa, Chairman; and Michael Donaroma. 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. Donaroma 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.*

Ms. Serpa then addressed the first item on the agenda which was a series of six One Day Liquor Licenses for Rosewater Café for a Fall Friday night dinner series. Present was Owner Julia Tarka.

Ms. Serpa stated that they have not issued that many licenses at once to an establishment. She moved to approve the first four and see how it goes. Ms. Tarka could come back after the 3<sup>rd</sup> event and the Board would revisit the last two. Mr. Donaroma agreed and seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then opened the Shade Tree Hearing for 124 Upper Main Street. Present was property owner Skip Tommassian.

Mr. Tommassian stated that it was in poor health and he was afraid it would fall down. He's nursed it along, but it is now concerning.

Tree Warden Alan deBettencourt agreed that the Catalpa tree is in very poor shape.

Mr. Donaroma moved to approve with replacement approved by the Tree Warden by May 31, 2023. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then addressed the next item which was a Shade Tree Hearing for 56 N. Summer Street. Mr. Donaroma stated that he would need to abstain from the hearing and suggested postponing it until Mr. Smadbeck returned. The hearing was continued to November 7<sup>th</sup> at 4pm.

Ms. Serpa then recognized Dion Alley from Vineyard Power. Also present was Richard Andrade and Alan Strahler.

Mr. Alley would like a strong letter of support from the Board for Vineyard Power's application in the Community First Partnership (CFP) through Mass Save. He explained that program.

Mr. Strahler stated that the Edgartown Energy Committee supported the application.

Mr. Donaroma moved to support and sign the letter. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then addressed the next item which was the Warrant for the November 8<sup>th</sup> election.

Mr. Donaroma moved to approve and sign the warrant. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

A Yard Sale for 62 Edgartown Bay Rd.

Travel Vouchers for the Police Department and Parks Department.

The Minutes of 10/11/22.

The weekly Payroll and Bill warrants.

At 4:13 PM Mr. Donaroma moved to adjourn. Ms. Serpa seconded. The Board did a rollcall vote and all voted Aye. Unanimous

Approved:

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Margaret E. Serpa, Chairman

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Arthur Smadbeck

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Michael J. Donaroma  
Selectboard

Respectfully submitted,

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