Town of Edgartown Selectboard August 7, 2023 4:00 pm

A meeting of the Board was held on the above date in the Fred B. Morgan, Jr. Meeting Room of Town Hall. 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 and the first item on the agenda which was a Shade Tree Hearing for 105 Main Street. Present was homeowner Mr. Santangelo and Tree Warden Allan deBettencourt. Mr. Smadbeck read the notice aloud.

Mr. Santangelo stated that the tree blocks access to his garage and is in poor health. He has submitted a letter from Bob Hagerty stating the health of the tree. He offered to replace it with two tulip trees in other locations on the property.

Mr. Donaroma stated that the tree has a lot of sucker growth and looks fairly nice. He asked if the replacements could be closer to the location of original. It will leave quite a hole in the tree cover there. He asked if Mr. Santangelo was intending on grinding the stump. He brought up the access aka curbcut area which would appear to be increased by the removal of the tree. There is a town bylaw regulating location and size downtown of access and curbcuts. This is not something the Board could approve; they are just voting on removal of the tree. He verified with Mr. Santangelo that the tree was there before the garage.

Mr. Santangelo replied that the tree was there first and he was intending on grinding the stump.

Mr. Donaroma asked what size the replacement trees would be. He thought 3.5 - 4" caliper would be acceptable.

Mr. deBettencourt agreed with the size recommendation.

Mr. Donaroma moved to approved the removal of the Silver Maple and replacement with 2 tulip trees of 3.5-4" Caliper by December 1, 2023 in locations approved by the Tree Warden. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Smadbeck then opened the next item on the agenda which was a Shade Tree hearing for 100 Main Street. He read the notice aloud.

Mr deBettencourt stated that the tree is definitely deceased and needs to come down. The owner stated that he will grind the stump and replace it with an October Glory maple.

Mr. Donaroma agreed that it was deceased. He moved to approve removal and replacement with an October Glory Maple with a minimum caliper of 3.5" by December 1, 2023. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

A One Day Liquor License and Entertainment License for an Alumni Event at 10 Codman Springs Rd. on August 9th.

A One Day Liquor License for a Soul of Sonoma event at the Daniel Fisher House on August 12th.

A One Day Liquor License for Salte on August 15th.

A Banner for the Police Association Lobster Rolls over Main St. 8/15 - 8/22

A Travel Voucher for the Police Department

The Release of Covenant, New Covenant and Closing Documents for the Affordable Housing lot at 4 22nd Street.

Minutes of July 24th

The weekly warrants.

The Board then appointed Lucas Belain as a Traffic Officer starting August 3rd.

At 4:07 pm Ms. Serpa moved to adjourn. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. The Board did a rollcall vote and all voted Aye. Unanimous

Approved:

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose Administrative Assistant

Arthur Smadbeck, Chairman

Michael J. Donaroma

Margaret E. Serpa Selectboard

Documents included in meeting: Agenda, Applications, Permits, Minutes and Warrants