

**Town of Edgartown
Selectboard
January 29, 2024
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; 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 the annual public hearing to discuss the town's FY24 regional CDBG application including housing rehabilitation and childcare subsidies serving eligible residents of Edgartown, West Tisbury and Aquinnah. Present was Cassie Boyd Marsh from Bailey, Boyd and Associates. Mr. Smadbeck read the notice aloud.

Ms. Marsh gave an overview of the CDBG grant and all the benefits. It is a \$1.375m application for the three towns and includes rehab for 17 houses and childcare subsidies for 21 children.

There being no questions or comments from the public, Mr. Smadbeck then closed the hearing.

Ms. Serpa then made the first motion: to submit an FY24 CDBG grant for housing rehabilitation and childcare subsidies and to authorize the Town Administrator or Designee to sign the grant application and associated forms. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Ms. Serpa then made the second motion: to allocate \$50,000 from CDBG Miscellaneous Income to use as a contingency for the FY24 Housing Rehabilitation Program. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

The Board thanked Ms. Marsh for all her and her teams' hard work.

Mr. Smadbeck then addressed the next item on the agenda which was a request from support from the Edgartown Board of Trade (EBOT) to encourage the MV Commission to keep and reactivate the MVC Planning and Economic Development Committee. Present was EBOT President Julia Tarka.

Ms. Tarka stated that the MVC is trying to change their by-laws to remove this committee and the membership of the EBOT believe that it is part of the core of the MVC's duty. They are asking for the Board's support.

Ms. Serpa moved to send a letter of support to keep the Committee. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

An Excavate Permit for Fenner Construction to run a new electrical service from Katama Rd. down Milikin Way.

To renew the aquaculture leases for Middle Flats and Katama Bay for the following farmers: Scott Castro, Dan Donnelly, Ryan & Julia Smith and Nick Turner.

To set the early voting hours for the March Presidential Primaries.

The Minutes of 1/8/24, 1/16/24 and 1/17/24.

The weekly warrants.

At 4:16 pm Mr. Smadbeck moved to adjourn the Selectboard meeting. Ms. Serpa seconded. The Board did a rollcall vote and all voted Aye. Unanimous

Approved:

Arthur Smadbeck, Chairman

Michael J. Donaroma

Margaret E. Serpa
Selectboard

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose
Administrative Assistant

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