Town of Edgartown Selectboard May 13, 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: Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman; Margaret E. Serpa and Arthur Smadbeck. Also present was the Town Administrator James Hagerty.

At 4:00 pm Mr. Donaroma opened the meeting and addressed the first item on the agenda which was a Public Shade Tree Hearing to remove a Linden Tree at 47 Robinson Road.

Tree Warden Allan deBettencourt stated that the tree was in good health. The applicant's issue were the roots in the foundation. He suggested having a professional trim the roots. He would like to see the tree stay.

Mr. Donaroma agreed with Mr. deBettencourt.

Ms. Serpa moved to deny removal of the tree and recommend having a professional trim the roots. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Mr. Donaroma then opened the next item on the agenda which was a public Shade Tree Hearing to remove a Horse Chestnut Tree at the Daniel Fisher House 99 Main Street. Present was Nvette Previd, Executive Director of the MV Preservation Trust.

Ms. Previd stated that the tree lost a large branch and is in bad health. They would like to replace it with an American Hornbeam.

Mr. deBettencourt agreed with the damage and replacement.

There was then a discussion of other trees on the property that needed attention. Mr. deBettencourt stated that he was waiting for the bike area plan on Pease Point Way get to final planning. The trees along Pease Point Way and Church Street will be discussed at that point.

Mr. Donaroma noted some trees near the Whaling Church and suggested some thinning of the canopy to reduce damage instead of removal of the whole trees.

Ms. Serpa moved to approve the removal and replacement of the tree by October 31, 2024. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

At 4:05 pm Mr. Donaroma opened the third Shade Tree Hearing of the agenda which was a request to remove and replace a Sycamore Maple at 61 Pine Street. Property owner David Wiley was present.

Mr. Wiley stated that the tree was in ill health and not doing well. He asked to remove and replace it.

Mr. deBettencourt agreed that the tree was not doing well. He stated he could work with the owner on type of tree to use as a replacement.

Ms. Serpa moved to approve removal and replacement of the Tree Warden's approval by October 31, 2024. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous

Mr. Donaroma then opened the next item on the agenda which was the lease for North Wharf.

Ms. Serpa made the following motion:

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby VOTED:

1. To declare that the Town intends to enter into a short term lease to sell fuel at North Wharf, from the area adjacent to and south of the building on the property, until October 15, 2024, and to require the tenant under that lease to remove the tanks for the fuel at the end of the lease;

2. To declare that the value of this short term lease is \$10,000.00; and

3. To enter into a new short term lease with R.M. Packer Company for the sale of fuel and related services at North Wharf, until October 15, 2024, on the terms of the Lease Agreement.

Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

A Banner for the Catboat event -7/17-7/24

A One Day Liquor License for Rosewater Café for Porchfest. 5/18

The Chappy Point to Point race for 6/30.

A Yard Sale at 13 Meetinghouse Hill.

A Travel Voucher for the Police Department.

To accept a donation for the Council on Aging.

The weekly warrant.

The Board then appointed Sherry Mattison to the Sign Committee to fill a vacancy.

The Board then made the following reappointments:

MV Cultural Council - Susan Shea

Marine Advisory Committee - Skip Tommassian

Community Preservation Committee - Michael McCourt - Rep for Planning Board

Beautification Committee - Carol Fligor

The Board made an Emergency approval for an Excavation Permit for Nick Peters to install some water infrastructure for the Edgartown Inn on Simpson's Lane.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose Administrative Assistant

Michael J. Donaroma, Chair

Margaret E. Serpa

Approved:

Arthur Smadbeck Selectboard

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