

Selectmen's Meeting
January 7, 2019
4:00 pm

A meeting of the Board was held on the above date in the meeting room of Town Hall. Members present were: Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman; Margaret E. Serpa and Arthur Smadbeck. Also present was Town Administrator James Hagerty.

At 4:00pm Mr. Donaroma opened the meeting and the first item on the agenda which was the Wastewater Commission.

Commissioner Sean Murphy asked if the Commission could have permission to go to Town Counsel on a matter on Duarte Circle.

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

Mr. Donaroma then moved on to the next item which was an issue with the construction at the Edgartown Yacht Club. He recognized Town Counsel Ron Rappaport.

Atty. Rappaport stated that the building is right on the town line. Eversource wants to move the access to their electrical service to the outside of the building. It will then overhang the town parking lot and would need an easement voted at town meeting. He advised giving permission until the matter was voted at Annual Town Meeting in April.

Ms. Serpa stated that they don't want to delay the project. She moved to grant temporary permission until the vote at Town Meeting. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

Atty. Rappaport then brought up the Housing Bank Legislation and asked if the Board wanted him to pursue it.

Mr. Smadbeck stated that he thought it was premature.

Mr. Adam Turner from the MVC stated that there was no funding source specified.

Mr. Donaroma thanked Atty. Rappaport for coming in and moved on to the next item on the agenda which was the Short Term Rentals bill. Present was Mr. Adam Turner from the MV Commission.

Mr. Turner stated that the Short Term Rental Tax had passed at the state. So he wanted to let the Board know what it meant to the towns. He stated that it applies to all rentals under 30 consecutive days. The first 14 days would be exempt. Originally he thought there would be a choice whether the town could opt in, but that was not true. All towns are included starting July 1st.

At 4:11 PM Mr. Smadbeck moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Serpa seconded. Unanimous

Approved:

Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman

Margaret E. Serpa

Arthur Smadbeck
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose
Assistant