

**Selectmen's Meeting
Special Meeting
May 15, 2018
10:00am – 2:00pm**

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 were members of the public to observe the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting was to interview finalists for the position of Town Administrator. The Board had a list of predetermined questions that they would ask the candidates. Each candidate would be asked the same questions.

At 10:00am Mr. Donaroma opened the meeting and welcomed James Hagerty. The Board took turns asking the list of questions. Mr. Hagerty had a background in Military, an MBA in Finance and was a current police officer in Oak Bluffs. He had an understanding of the island community, town finances and teamwork. His key issue was Affordable Housing for all and the Island's aging population. He also expressed the need for an open door policy and transparency. The Board thanked him for coming.

At 10:30am Mr. Donaroma welcomed Juliet Mulinare. The Board took turns asking the list of questions. Ms. Mulinare is the Town of Edgartown Procurement Officer and works as administration for several committees. She has an understanding of the island community, a good working relationship with all of the departments and has an understanding of town finances and procurement requirements and laws. Her key issue was communications between departments and finding ways to save money by purchasing services and products together. The Board thanked her for coming.

The Board then recessed until Noon.

At 12 Noon Mr. Donaroma welcomed Tim O'Leary. The Board took turns asking the list of questions. Mr. O'Leary currently runs a government facility in New Mexico, has a background in the Coast Guard Law Enforcement and holds an MBA from NYU. This was his first time to Martha's Vineyard, but he had experience in coastal towns from working in the Coast Guard. He had an understanding of municipal finance and a unique perspective on spending. His key issue was Affordable Housing. He had a cautious plan for fitting into island life. The Board thanked him for coming.

The Board then recessed until 1:30pm

At 1:30pm Mr. Donaroma welcomed Jack Ardaugh. The Board took turns asking the list of questions. Mr. Ardaugh was a Municipal Attorney from Illinois. This was his first time to Martha's Vineyard. He had a plan to collaborate with the departments and work together to increase revenues and decrease expenses for the town. His key issues were Wastewater and increasing revenues in the shoulder seasons. The Board thanked him for coming.

The Board then settled down and had a discussion of the candidates and whom they thought would be the best fit. All of the candidates were well qualified and were good candidates. They had a lot of nice things to say about Mr. Hagerty and Ms. Mulinare. In the end, the Board was all in agreement that they felt Mr. Hagerty was the best candidate.

Ms. Serpa moved to offer the position to Mr. Hagerty. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

At 2:02 PM Ms. Serpa moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous

Approved:

Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman

Margaret E. Serpa

Arthur Smadbeck
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose
Assistant