

**Selectmen's Meeting**  
**November 5, 2018**  
**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 MV Commission Executive Director Adam Turner to speak about the Short Term Rental bill that is currently going through the state legislature.

Mr. Turner gave a short overview of the current bill. The state wants a 5% tax on all rentals under 30 days. The Bill passed but died last term. It would take effect at the beginning of FY20. It requires the town to inspect properties. Owners would need insurance and smoke detectors.

The Town can collect up to 6% on top of the State's 5%. The Cape and Islands has an optional 2.75% Water Treatment fund. Towns have to opt in. The state mandates that the town does registration.

A discussion followed of the Town's need for funds for the registration and inspection burden. Would it fall on the Board of Health?

Mr. Matt Poole, Health Inspector, responded that it is a big job. It entails smoke and CO detectors, safety and occupancy.

Mr. Smadbeck asked about registration.

Mr. Poole stated that they would probably have to be looked for.

The Board thanked Mr. Turner and Mr. Poole for coming in.

Mr. Donaroma then recognized Edgartown School Principal John Stevens for the next item.

Mr. Stevens asked the Board to accept an \$8,000 donation to the school garden program to supplement the salary for the program coordinator.

Ms. Serpa moved to accept and thank the donor. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous.

The Board then approved the following items:

For L'etoille to extend their closing date to November 30, 2018.

Travel Vouchers for the Police and Town Administrator.

A One Day Liquor License for Backwater for their annual Christmas in Edgartown Event.

An Excavation Permit for some Wastewater Work at 69 School St.

To approve the Police Accreditation Policy.

To approve the Telecommunication Policy.

To set a public hearing for the Square Rigger to change their liquor license from Annual to Seasonal for November 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm.

At 4:17 PM Ms. Serpa moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Smadbeck seconded. Unanimous

Approved:

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Michael J. Donaroma, Chairman

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Margaret E. Serpa

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Arthur Smadbeck  
Board of Selectmen

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Rose  
Assistant