

STOCKBRIDGE SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, November 10, 2022
6:30 p.m.
ZOOM MEETING - TOWN OFFICES, 50 MAIN STREET

Present:

Patrick White, Chuck Cardillo, Jamie Minacci and Mike Canales

Call to Order:

Patrick called the meeting to order.

Honoring Veteran's Day, Harold French led the Pledge of Allegiance. Merrill Sanderson read a poem for veterans.

Continuation of Special Permit Hearing for the property of FINNERTY FRANCES K C/O JIM FINNERTY located at 1 Goodrich Street.

Chuck made a motion to re-open the public hearing. Jamie seconded; all were in favor. Patrick noted that Mr. Finnerty had revised his plans and it is of no greater non-conformity. Patrick said he spoke with the neighbors and they have no objection. Patrick asked if there was anyone wishing to speak for or against the deck. Hearing none, Patrick made a motion to close the evidentiary portion of the hearing. Chuck seconded. All were in favor. The Board members had no issues. Chuck made a motion they accept it. Jamie seconded. Chuck Aye, Jamie Aye, Patrick Aye. Chuck made a motion to close the hearing. Jamie seconded. Chuck Aye, Jamie Aye, Patrick Aye.

St. Paul's Church Light Show one-day entertainment license for Sunday, Dec. 10th

Rich Bradway discussed the event to be held at Saint Paul's Church; an indoor coral concert along with an outdoor light show with projected images on the church. Joe Weaton will be doing the project similar to the one he did at Hancock Shaker Village. The show will take place between 6 and 7:30PM. Jamie made a motion that they approve this one-day entertainment license. Chuck seconded; All were in favor.

COA Program

Mike noted that on November 16th at 3:00pm, Joshua Hall will discuss the history of Stockbridge with a Thanksgiving theme in the Senior Center. Refreshments including apple and pumpkin pie will be served.

Discussion of ongoing paving projects

Hugh said that they have done some side streets in house and plan on larger projects next year. Bids for spring paving will go out in January. Target areas are Rt 183 North and a section of Hawthorne Road. They are looking to do other side streets in house also.

Mike said that they were already approved for \$229,000 of Chapter 90 for paving and an additional \$233,000.

Budget process overview

Mike said that in January they will get department requests together. Chuck stressed for Departments to stay as close to level funding as possible. Remaining capital projects are the Curtisville Bridge, dredging and a possible walk way to Pinewoods. The Tuckerman Bridge, second Averic Bridge and the salt shed were in the borrowing last year. During the last two budget cycles, the Town lowered its local receipts, not knowing how COVID would affect the Town and are now restoring it.

Community Electric Aggregation Program

Many Towns locked into a rate a number of years ago but Stockbridge was not a part of this. Patrick said that they are looking into the municipal aggregation program for the next cycle. Mike said that it allows you to lock in a stable rate for 4-5 years and we would look at locking in the next time they go to lock in long term with the Berkshire County one. Mike said that Green Communities is discussing this.

Take action on one-day alcohol licenses for the Berkshire Botanical Gardens for an art opening on November 11th from 5-7 PM

And for a Holiday Marketplace Preview Party on December 2nd from 5 – 7PM. Chuck made a motion that they accept the licenses. Jamie seconded; all were in favor.

Adjournment:

With no further business, Chuck adjourned the meeting.

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