

STOCKBRIDGE SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, June 22, 2023
6:30 p.m.
ZOOM MEETING - TOWN OFFICES, 50 MAIN STREET

Present:

Chuck Cardillo, Jamie Minacci, Patrick White and Mike Canales

Call to Order:

Chuck opened the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Special Permit Hearing

Chuck made a motion to open the hearing to consider the application for special permit public hearing for Loretta Tenuta located at 9 Birch Lane and waive the notice of the meeting and incorporate the notice into the minutes of the hearing. Patrick seconded; Patrick Aye, Chuck Aye, Jamie Aye. Attorney Lori Robbins presented pictures of the pre-existing non-conforming structure. The applicant is proposing to demolish it and replace it with a smaller foot print structure which will be a little taller. None of the non-conformance is increasing and well within all of the requirements. Chuck asked if there was anyone to speak in favor of the project. John Morris, 11 Birch Lane asked about a garage and there are currently no plans for one. Chuck asked if there was anyone wishing to speak in opposition. Seeing none, Chuck moved that they close the evidentiary portion. Patrick seconded; all were in favor. Patrick made a motion to approve. Jamie seconded. Aye Patrick, Aye Chuck, Aye Jamie.

Take action on one-day alcohol applications for:

Chuck made motions to take action on one day alcohol applications for Norman Rockwell Museum for a Wedding on August 19th from 5-11PM, For Berkshire Botanical Garden for: A graduation on July 28th from 5-8PM, A Festival on October 7th & 8th from 8AM-5PM, A Reception on July 19th from 5-8PM, A Fundraiser on July 8th from 5-8PM. With no discussion, Jamie seconded; all were in favor.

Short Term Rental – Software and status

Mike said that it was approved at Town Meeting for software to track registration and compliance with our current bylaw. Patrick is working with Mike to work on reviewing a few companies and return to the Board with recommendations. Chuck made a motion to continue this with Patrick. Patrick reviewed the process. Patrick felt that a registration fee should be set. Chuck asked to give Mike the authority to move forward with this, choose the platform and administered through the Town. Chuck made a motion to proceed. Jamie seconded; all were in favor.

Philip McCaffrey and Steven Stern asked about the enforcement of STR violations. Mike said that he knew of a number of violations and a warning notice was sent to 7 Hawthorne. Without receiving a response, a follow up letter was sent and then the owner fixed the advertisement. Last summer he was in compliance. The number of cars in the driveway is not something the Town cannot act on. Mike reviewed the complaints received and how things were addressed. Mike said that the Town cannot take sides. The abutters argued that they did not feel that they are treated fairly. The Town has been informed that the owner is no longer renting the building, has removed it from STR websites and will be putting it up for sale. Mike added that compliance has continually been addressed.

Stockbridge Affordable Housing Trust - Housing Production Plan – Authorize the use of funds remaining toward Pine Woods for playground improvements. The suggestion was to use remaining AHT designated ARPA funds(\$30,000) and/or CPC funds for a playground at Pinewoods. Chuck said he would like to see plans. Chuck made a motion to allow to move forward and have it designed. If it is a little over the 30, we can decide if we want to use more of the money or not. Patrick seconded; all were in favor.

Low Income Household Water Assistance Program – Authorize Agreement Mike said that as the Town is the utility, this would be an agreement with BCAC to run this program. Chuck made a motion to move forward with this. Jamie seconded; all were in favor.

Appoint Alternate Rest of the River – Michael Canales
The Town needs to have an alternate representative to the ROR as required. Chuck made a motion that they appoint Michael Canales the alternate. Jamie seconded; all were in favor.

Second home owners meeting date
Chuck recommended it to be held on a regular scheduled Thursday night meeting. Patrick suggested that they go back to a Saturday meeting to accommodate in-person discussion. Chuck felt that now with Zoom anyone can attend a meeting. The Board decided to hold it on July 27th.

Annual Appointments (beginning July 1st)

Affordable Housing Trust

McCaela Donovan 2027

Jan Ackerman 2027

Bruce Auerbach 2025

Agriculture and Forestry Commission

Shelby Marshall

Animal Inspector

John Drake

Animal Control Officer

John Drake

Board of Registrars

Nancy Wilcox

Berkshire Regional Transit Authority Rep.

Jamie Minacci

Berkshire Regional Planning Rep.

Christine Rasmussen

Building Inspector

Matthew Kollmer

Building Inspector Alternate

Paul Green

Cable Advisory Committee Rep.

Anita Schwerner

Michael Canales

Cemetery Commission

Karen Marshall

Candace Currie

Cemetery Consultant

Rich Atwood

Community Preservation Committee Reps.

Carole Owens

Patrick White

Conservation Commission

Jamie Minacci

Chuck Kohrer

William Loutrel

Alternate: Karen Levy Lutner

Alternate: Cathy Plakun

Council on Aging

Jack Gremli

Andrea Lindsey

Cultural Council

Judith Wilkinson

Maureen O'Hanlon

Janet Egelhofer

Isabel Rose

Barbara Cooperman

Selena Lamb

Joan Burkhard

Anne Ferril

John Perkel

Chelly Serman

Elderly & Disabled Tax Committee

Maria Carr

Beth McCormack
Helen McCormick
Tammy Touponce
Ericka Oleson

Emergency Management

Scott Muir

Fire/EMS Committee

Chuck Cardillo
Vincent Jan Garofoli
Michael Canales
James MacDonald
George Manley

Deputy Fire Chief

Neil Haywood

Gas Inspector

Greg Pilling

Alternate Gas Inspector

Robert Gennari

Alternate Gas Inspector

John VanZandt

Fountain Committee

Kate Fletcher
Carl Sprague
Gigi Kingston
Robert Jones

Green Communities Committee

Laura Dubester
Mike Buffoni
Pat Flinn
Miles Moffatt
Starbuck Smith

Historic Preservation Committee

Carl Sprague
Jorja Marsden

Historical Commission

Maria Carr
Linda Jackson
Peter Williams

Kampoosa Bog Stewardship Committee

Arthur Dutil — National Shrine of The Divine Mercy
Laura Beasley
Lisa Bozzuto
Rich Bradway
Louise Gachet
John Hart
Sally Underwood-Miller

PILOT Committee (Payment in Lieu of Taxes)

Tom Stokes

Jay Bikofsky

Roxanne McCaffrey

Peter Strauss

Planning Board Secretary

Jennifer Carmichael

Plumbing Inspector

Greg Pilling

Plumbing Inspector, Alternate

Robert Gennari

Plumbing Inspector, Alternate

John VanZandt

Sewer and Water Commission Secretary

Jennifer Carmichael

Stockbridge Bowl Association

Jamie Minacci

Stockbridge Bowl Stewardship Commission

Jamie Minacci

Town Counsel

Donna Brewer

Veterans Agent:

TBD, District Director

Wire Inspector

Nick Fredsall

Alternate Wire Inspector

Henry Blanchard, alternate

Zoning Board of Appeals

Miles Moffat

Chuck made a motion that they accept the appointments. Jamie seconded; all were in favor.

Patrick asked to consider another appointed committee, a second home owner's advisory board. He would like this considered.

Adjournment:

With no further business, Chuck adjourned the meeting.

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