STOCKBRIDGE SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES Thursday, October 26, 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.

<u>Stockbridge Sportsman Club and Stockbridge Fire Department</u> to recognize Olivia Netzer for her life saving actions on July 30, 2023.

Chief Garofoli read a letter honoring Olivia Netzer for saving the life of Butler University Professor Dr. Susan Adams by performing CPR on her while she was in cardiac arrest. This took place at an event held at the Stockbridge Sportsmen's Club. Due to her actions that day, Olivia was presented with a life saving award. Rod McDermott, President of the Stockbridge Sportsmen's Club also recognized Olivia and read a letter of thanks from Dr. Adams. The Sportsmen's Club honored Olivia with a check to use toward her education.

Discussion Church Street Site Visit

Chuck said that the tree issues discussed will be forwarded to the Tree Warden.

EV rate recommendation from Green Community

Mike said that the Green Communities recommended the rates for the general public and to set a rate at cost for Board and Committee members and Town employees; encouraging electric vehicle ownership. Patrick made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Green Communities Committee and set the current rate to the general public and right at cost to for both Town Hall staff and volunteers. They also must finish their conflict-of-interest training. Chuck seconded; all were in approval.

Approve ceremonial bonfire for the Ice Glen Walk special event on October 28, 2023

Patrick made a motion to approve the bonfire. Chuck seconded; all were in favor.

<u>Take action on one day alcohol license</u> for Berkshire Botanical Garden on November 17th from 4PM – 11PM and November19th from 5PM – 11PM. Chuck made a motion to accept them. Jamie seconded; all were in approval. <u>Appoint COA Director:</u> Mike said that Polly Salenovich, retired Director of the Great Barrington Senior Center was interested in our part-time position. Chuck made a motion to hire her. Jamie seconded; all were in favor.

<u>Take action on minutes for September 28th and October 12th.</u> Chuck made a motion that they accept the minutes. Patrick seconded; all were in favor.

<u>Vote to eliminate the Administrative Rest of the River monetary fund.</u> Chuck read the motion: Pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement, the Select Board and the Rest of River Municipal Committee ("ROR Committee") authorize the elimination of an administrative ROR Monetary Fund of \$1.5 million (which was to be funded following receipt of the funds in the escrow account established pursuant to a February 2022 Escrow Agreement) and intended to pay for all legal, consulting, or other expenses, fees or costs incurred by the ROR Committee in the administration, review, and legal work related to any revised Permit issued by EPA for the remedial work in the Housatonic River. Jamie seconded. Patrick expressed concerns and considerations on how this project is going forward. He felt there is much to be discussed in public as future agenda items. Specifically, how will we manage the clean-up going forward, including truck transportation routes. With the motion on the floor and seconded the Board voted: Aye Patrick, Aye Chuck, Aye Jamie.

<u>Executive Session:</u> To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with the Police and DPW unions, and the Chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining of the public body and we will not be coming back into public session. Aye Chuck, Aye Patrick, Aye Jamie.

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