

MINUTES April 22, 2019 7:00 PM

SELECT BOARD

Present: Anne O'Connor, Andrew Hogeland, Hugh Daley, Jason Hoch, Debra Turnbull

Absent: Jeffrey Thomas, Jane Patton

Others: Nancy Nylen, Laura Dubester, Wendy Penner, Robert Mathews, Dante Birch

CHAIRMAN'S OPENING STATEMENT- Chair O'Connor wished everyone a Happy Earth Day. **CONSENT AGENDA-**

a. Approve 04-08-19 SB Minutes (04-08-19 Minutes)

Mr Hogeland made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Daley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0-0.

PUBLIC HEARING-

a. Public hearing for The Clark Art Institute, 225 South Street for a change of manager from Dawn Van Ness to Kelly Turner from Constellation Catering. Mr. Hogeland made a motion to approve the change of manager. Mr. Daley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0-0.

ITEMS FOR SELECTMEN'S CONSIDERATION-

- a. CET Award for Community Environmental Leadership-Nancy Nylen and Laura Dubbester presented the award to Wendy Penner, the recipient of this year's Community Environmental Leadership award from the Center for EcoTechnology (CET). She is being recognized for her work in Williamstown. Wendy is an active member of the COOL Committee and vital to Williamstown's first Solarize program as well as the likely upcoming round in the Solarize Plus program. Her environmental work has been an important part of the Town's programming in this area. Wendy has worked with the schools and community in reducing Williamstown's carbon footprint. Congratulations, Wendy! Wendy also thanked Nancy and CET for their leadership and successes.
- b. Approve Robert Mathews as a Zoning Board Alternate. Mr. Daley made a motion to appoint Mr. Mathews as a zoning board alternate. Mr. Hogeland seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0-0.
- c. Arbor Day Proclamation- Ms. O'Connor read the Arbor Day Proclamation for 2019. The board signed the proclamation.
- d. Endorse Chapter 90 Project Request for South Street Sidewalk. Mr. Hoch and the DPW hope to have this project completed prior to the end of June in an effort to not disrupt the

summer season at the Clark. This project will also add limited parking along the southernmost portion of South Street. Mr. Hogeland made a motion to endorse the South Street sidewalk project. Mr. Daley seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0-0.

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT- Mr. Hoch advised the board that the bike path project has been pushed out by the state. The town thought the Williamstown piece from Syndicate Road to the Spruces was going to bid in the fall. DOT in Boston has decided to rejoin the North Adams path with the Williamstown path. Currently this pushes advertising to the fall which may cause the project to miss the next construction season. Mr. Hogeland sent a letter asking that the project not be further delayed. Mr. Hogeland agreed to send a letter on behalf of the select board expressing their concern on the ongoing delays.

The Town Clerk shared that April 24th is the deadline for voter registration.

Williamstown Veterans Agent Stephen Roy will be at Harper on Friday April 26th, 1:00, to talk about services available to veterans and their survivors.

Denise Vigna from Bane Care will be at the Harper Center on Tuesday April 30th at 1:00 to talk about preparing for expected and unexpected hospitalizations.

The police station continues to be on schedule with interior finishes being completed.

PETITIONER'S REQUEST- Dante Birch is pursuing an amendment to Article 33. **OTHER BUSINESS**

ADJOURN- Mr. Daley made a motion to adjourn at 7:46 pm. Mr. Hogeland seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0-0.

Anne O'Connor
Pro Tempore Secretary