TOWN OF LAKEVILLE Select Board Meeting Minutes April 25, 2022 – 6:30 PM REMOTE LOCATION

On April 25, 2022, the Select Board held a meeting at 6:30 PM remotely from various locations. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Chairman LaCamera. Members present were Member Fabian, Chairman LaCamera and Member Carboni. Also present was Ari Sky, Town Administrator, and Tracie Craig-McGee, Executive Assistant. LakeCAM was recording the meeting for broadcast.

In accordance with provisions allowed by Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, the April 25, 2022 public meeting of the Lakeville Select Board will be held remotely. However, to view this meeting in progress, please go to facebook.com/lakecam (you do not need a Facebook account to view the meeting). This meeting will be recorded and available to be viewed at a later date at http://www.lakecam.tv/.

Select Board Announcements

Chairman LaCamera read the Select Board announcements.

Town Administrator Announcements

Mr. Sky read the Town Administrator announcements.

Meet with Town Moderator and Lakeville Representatives of the Freetown/Lakeville Regional School Committee to discuss the possible reappointment of Robert Marshall to the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee

Katie Goodfellow, Town Moderator, Stephen Sylvia, Lakeville Representative to the F/L Regional School Committee and Robert Marshall were present for the discussion.

Chairman LaCamera said that Robert Marshall would like to be re-appointed to the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee.

Upon a motion made by Chairman LaCamera and seconded by Mr. Sylvia, it was:

VOTED: To reappoint Robert Marshall to the Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee for a term to expire May 1, 2025.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye; Chairman LaCamera – aye and Mr. Sylvia – aye.

Review and possible vote to place Warrant Article 11 on Annual Town Meeting Warrant and vote to approve Final Warrant for Annual Town Meeting – May 16, 2022

Mr. Sky said the article has been drafted as acceptable to Town Counsel – the acreage for the 61B property has a question on some land that may be taken out. We put in 138.10 acres. There are some unknowns: the covenant; some type of lease; operational costs; and equipment in the Purchase and Sale Agreement. Member Carboni read the article into the record. Member Fabian asked if this would

be a Proposition 2 ½ ballot question? Mr. Sky said we went back and forth on this. Proposition 2 ½ applies to debt exclusions and ballot questions.

Upon a motion made by Member Fabian and seconded by Member Carboni, it was:

VOTED: To put Article 11 on the May 16, 2022 Annual Town Meeting Warrant as presented. Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To approve the May 16, 2022 Annual Town Meeting Warrant as presented. Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

<u>Meet with Finance Committee and Town Moderator for May 16, 2022 Special and Annual Town Meeting Warrant Review</u>

Present from the Finance Committee were: Brian Day; Larry Kostant; Adam Lynch; and Christopher Plonka. Mr. Lynch, Vice Chairman, called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Chairman LaCamera said that we will review the warrant articles. It is up to the Finance Committee if they want to make a recommendation on the articles, which will be listed on the warrant. The four (4) zoning article hearings have not been held yet; you may not want to make a recommendation on those until those are done.

Special Town Meeting Warrant

Chairman LaCamera said Article 1 is for transfers for unpaid bills. Mr. Sky said the Free Cash balance is \$2,417,877 and \$143,500 for Reserve Fund

Upon a motion made by Mr. Day and seconded by Mr. Kostant, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends Article 1 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Chairman LaCamera reviewed the transfers in Article 2. Mr. Sky said the snow and ice budget has been increased for FY23 approximately \$30,000.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Day and seconded by Mr. Kostant, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends Article 2 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day - aye; Mr. Kostant - aye; Mr. Plonka - aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch - aye.

Chairman LaCamera said for Article #3, this is a list of items funded previously and we don't need the funds anymore so we are transferring \$96,200 to some FY22 capital projects. Mr. Day asked were these deferred or funding received from other sources. Chairman LaCamera said the radios came from CARES funds and the generator from the Town Office Building came in \$25,000 under budget.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Kostant, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends Article 3 on the Special Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day - aye; Mr. Plonka - aye; Mr. Kostant - aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch - aye.

Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Chairman LaCamera said the final budget was distributed last week. Article #1 is for the Town's annual operating budget.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Day, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends Article 1 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day - aye; Mr. Plonka - aye; Mr. Kostant - aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch - aye.

Article #2 is in regards to the operational budget for the Park Commission.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Kostant, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends Article 2 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Article #3 is in regards to the operational budget for the Landfill/Transfer Station.

Upon a motion made by Mr. Day and seconded by Mr. Kostant, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends Article 3 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Article #4 is to fund items from the Capital Improvement Plan. Chairman LaCamera read the capital improvement items, their amounts and where the funds were coming from. Mr. Day asked what is the procedure on the lease/purchase for the ladder truck; when is payment due. Mr. Sky said upon delivery and then the financing kicks in. Mr. Day asked about the balance on the LeBaron mitigation. Mr. Sky said it is approximately \$90,000. Chairman LaCamera said as units are being occupied, that is when the Town receives the additional fee.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Kostant, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends approval of Article 4 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Article #5 is to add funds to the Stabilization Account. Mr. Sky said approximately \$700,000 is going into Stabilization.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Day, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends approval of Article 5 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Article #6 is in regards to adding to the Other Post-Employment Benefits account (OPEB). Mr. Sky said \$310,000 is going into OPEB to account for non-retirement post-employment costs for employees.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Day, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends approval of Article 6 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Articles #7-10 are for the zoning articles. Chairman LaCamera said the Planning Board will be holding hearings on April 28th for them. Article 7 is for Open Space Residential Development. Article 8 is revisions to the sign by-law. Article 9 is Site Plan Review and Article 10 is a correction to an existing by-law. Vice Chairman Lynch recommended that the Finance Committee wait until after the hearings for a recommendation. Mr. Day noted the Finance Committee can make a recommendation of no recommendation. Mr. Kostant said there is no financial weight in these besides permitting fees.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Day, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends no recommendation on Article 7 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Day, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends no recommendation on Article 8 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Day, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends no recommendation on Article 9 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Day, it was:

VOTED: That the Finance Committee recommends no recommendation on Article 10 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Chairman LaCamera said Article #11 has to do with the proposed purchase of the Lakeville Country Club. Vice Chairman Lynch recommended that the Finance Committee wait on a recommendation on Article #11. Mr. Day asked since last week's meeting, does the warrant as written allow for the individual Purchase and Sales Agreements or are they lumped together. Chairman LaCamera said right now it is all combined. Mr. Kostant asked if this is going to require an override. Chairman LaCamera said yes. If the Finance Committee has not seen the information meeting on April 20th, he suggests that you review that. Mr. Sky said we are learning more about this transaction all the time and we will let the Board and public know. Mr. Day asked if Mr. Sky could send to the Finance Committee any new information. Mr. Sky said we know there is a covenant that requires the property to operate as a golf course. There is language in the Purchase and Sales Agreement regarding personal and real property on the site that does not convey. We don't know anything about operational costs. In the presentation for Town meeting we will note these. Mr. Day said there may be no equipment to operate the golf course. Mr. Sky said that would have to be a separate negotiation with the seller.

Upon a motion made by Vice Chairman Lynch and seconded by Mr. Day, it was:

VOTED: To adjourn the Finance Committee Meeting at 7:30 PM.
Roll call vote: Mr. Day – aye; Mr. Plonka – aye; Mr. Kostant – aye; and Vice Chairman Lynch – aye.

Chairman LaCamera said every year we have a meeting to go over the motions for Town Meeting. Mr. Sky is proposing Wednesday at 10:00 AM. Vice Chairman Lynch said he will attend.

Hearing- 19 South Kingman Street – Estate of Salvatore Cucinotti – Class II Dealer's License

Andrea Cucinotti of 19 South Kingman Street was present for the discussion. Chairman LaCamera read the legal notice into the record.

Upon a motion made by Member Fabian and seconded by Member Carboni, it was:

VOTED: To open the hearing for an application for a Class II Motor Vehicle Sales License from the Estate of Salvatore Cucinotti for 19 South Kingman Street, Lakeville, MA. Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Chairman LaCamera said the previous license expired on January 1, 2022. This license cannot be transferred to another party or issue a license to an estate. According to the Zoning Enforcement Officer, we cannot approve a Class II license on a residential property. Member Carboni said she had asked the Town Administrator to let us know how long this license was approved at this address. Chairman LaCamera said the by-law was changed in 2018, but the license was grandfathered at that time. Member Carboni said because this a new license, we can't follow the grandfathered rules.

Ms. Cucinotti said her father had a business since the mid 1990's – Majestic Auto. The estate's attorney said she should try to function the business as there is still inventory. She is trying to clean up what was left and would like to be able to go to auction to buy and sell. Ms. Cucinotti said she did not know that the license expired. Ms. Cucinotti said she was able to get the business certificate renewed, but had missed the mail for the renewal. The lawyer recommended proceeding with the license renewal. Member Fabian asked if the estate is still in probate? Ms. Cucinotti said it is; she is the personal representative. She is working with the attorney to clear the property.

Chairman LaCamera said there are two (2) pieces of this: a permit from the Town for the Class II license and then a Dealer's License from MassDOT. Ms. Cucinotti said she was not able to renew the dealer's plates. Chairman LaCamera said the plates and license cannot be renewed in Mr. Cucinotti's name. Ms. Cucinotti said she would apply for a plate in her name. Her attorney recommended renewing the license in the Estate's name. Chairman LaCamera said because it is an estate, you can sell those vehicles without a dealer's license. The license is to buy and sell. We can't issue a license under the Estate and its not allowed under the zoning by-laws. Member Fabian said she has legal questions on the Town's responsibility. She would not feel comfortable granting any license until the estate has gone through probate.

Ms. Cucinotti said her first correspondence was in February of 2022 with the Select Board's Office and Ms. Craig-McGee said she would seek guidance on what to do. She then spoke to Mr. Darling. Her lawyer told her to continue the business under SC Auto as the representative. She said she spoke to Ms. Craig-McGee again, who said she had sent a memo to Mr. Darling but had not received a response. On March 22nd Ms. Cucinotti called again, but there was still no response. The most recent contact with Ms. Craig-McGee was on April 19th when she was notified about the meeting. Member Carboni asked what research was conducted in February. Mr. Sky said we knew about the status of the license and estate; the question was the condition of the property. Member Fabian said as the Chair at that time, she was not comfortable putting this on the agenda as there were issues in the past about the property condition. When the request first came in it was for a renewal, but it was not appropriate due to Mr. Cucinotti's passing. She didn't know how to renew a license for someone that had passed away. At that point, Ms. Cucinotti said it was in court and she didn't feel it was the Board's place to hand out a license if probate decision might go in another way. She didn't feel there was enough information to put this on the agenda. She still is questioning why we need to give a license to just sell off the inventory.

Member Carboni read Mr. Darling's memo into the record. Are you aware for a new license there are conditions under MGL that says a license must have a bond of \$25,000. Ms. Cucinotti said she obtained the bond prior to the application for the license. Her father would buy cars and have them repaired at an off property location and then sell. Member Fabian said we cannot give a license to an estate. Member Carboni said Ms. Cucinnoti could withdraw this application and resubmit in her name. Mr. Sky said there is the issue of being in a residential location. Member Carboni asked if Town Counsel weighed in on this? Member Fabian said not that she recalled. Member Carboni asked if Ms. Cucinotti would be willing to apply for a license in her name. Ms. Cucinotti said yes. Member

Fabian said as a new license, it is our responsibility to let the abutters know what is going on. Mr. Sky said if we are entertaining a new license, then abutter notification will need to be done and a new hearing. Member Carboni said we should speak to Town Counsel. It is under our jurisdiction whether we approve the license, but there are other circumstances regarding grandfathering. Member Fabian said this application does not specify if this is to continue this business or just sell off the inventory. We don't need to grant a license to sell the inventory if everything has been through probate. She is uncomfortable giving out a new license in a residential neighborhood as the zoning has been changed. Member Carboni said there is no guarantee about a new license being approved.

Upon a motion made by Member Fabian and seconded by Member Carboni, it was:

VOTED: To close the hearing for a Class II license for the property located at 19 South Kingman Street, Lakeville, MA.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Discussion: Member Fabian said we can't issue a license to an estate. Mr. Sky said he will bring any questions that the Board may have to Town counsel for clarification.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To deny the application as presented from the Estate of Salvatore Cucinotti for a Class II license for the property located at 19 South Kingman Street, Lakeville, MA as we cannot issue a license to an Estate.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Rent Control Board Hearing - Twin Coach Estates Request for Rent Increase

Chairman LaCamera read the legal ad into the record.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To open the hearing for the Rent Increase from Twin Coach Estates.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Chairman LaCamera said at this time, the work has not been completed or paid for, so we do not have all the information to set the rate.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To continue the hearing for the Rent Increase from Twin Coach Estates until May 23, 2022 at 7:30 PM.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

<u>Discuss and possible vote to renew the following licenses: Anthony and Dorita Morris – 33 Myricks Street: Auctioneer, Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses; Hugh and Judy Rogers – 201 County Street: Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses; Robin E. Marques and Donald L. Bernier, Jr. – 61 Rhode Island Road: Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses; and Christine Ann Govette – 330 Bedford Street: Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses</u>

Chairman LaCamera said every year these properties are inspected for compliance. There is a memo from the Building Commissioner/Zoning Enforcement Officer giving his recommendations after his inspections. Anthony and Dorita Morris: Mr. Darling recommends renewal due to the significant effort to organize storage and clean up debris. Last year, Chairman LaCamera inspected the property and there were unregistered vehicles and a lot of things stored in the back part of the property. He would recommend that we renew this license for 90 days and have it re-inspected because he doesn't feel it is cleaned up as it should be. Member Carboni said going by Mr. Darling's recommendation that they have made significant efforts, she assumes they will continue to do so with monitoring. Mr. Sky said Mr. Darling will reinspect and come back in July.

Upon a motion made by Member Fabian and seconded by Member Carboni, it was:

VOTED: To approve Anthony and Dorita Morris of 33 Myricks Street Auctioneer, Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses for a period of 90 days.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Chairman LaCamera said for Hugh and Judy Rogers – 201 County Street, this property is within the Business district and there is nothing located on the exterior of the building. Mr. Darling recommends approval.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To renew the Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses for Hugh and Judy Rogers of 201 County Street for a term to expire on May 1, 2023.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Chairman LaCamera said in regards to the Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses for Robin Marques and Donald Bernier at 61 Rhode Island Road, this property is located in a Residential District. Mr. Darling does not recommend approval of this license at this time.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To not renew the Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses for Robin Marques and Donald Bernier at 61 Rhode Island Road.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Chairman LaCamera said in regards to the Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses for Christine Ann Goyette at 330 Bedford Street, the property is in a Business District and Mr. Darling recommends approval. It is an antique store in the Savas Plaza.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To renew the Junk Dealer and Junk Collector Licenses for Christine Ann Goyette at 330 Bedford Street for a term to expire May 1, 2023.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Discuss and possible vote on Site Plan Review-156 Rhode Island Road

Marc Resnick, Town Planner, was present for the discussion. Mr. Resnick said the site is licensed for a landscaping business. There is a small building on site. The Site Plan is to add a second larger building on the site. He would locate his business at the end of the new building; the existing building would be become storage and the rest of the building would be contractor bays for rent. Revised drawings will be submitted for the Planning Board review on Thursday. Chairman LaCamera said originally they went to the Zoning Board of Appeals to sell retail products. They are running multiple businesses out of there and now a screening truck that that is creating a lot of problems in the neighborhood. He is not sure why this is being allowed. They were also flooding out Crooked Lane. The road had to be closed and the water was going into a neighbor's property. The property is a mess.

Member Carboni asked if we have we received any written complaints. Chairman LaCamera said we have regarding the water on the street. Member Carboni asked if there were in writing. Chairman LaCamera said he does not know. We received calls; the whole Highway Department had to go out there on a Sunday. Member Carboni said complaints would go to the Zoning Enforcement Officer. They need to be in writing so we can respond. Chairman LaCamera said there was a cease and desist order issued by the Zoning Enforcement Officer. Mr. Sky said we weren't dealing with an action against an existing facility. Member Carboni said the Board's purview is to oversee any municipal water allocation on the site plan. Is there any municipal water? The Special Permit calls for amenities for employees; and the Board of Health needs to follow up. Chairman LaCamera said they have not provided amenities for their employees. Member Carboni said this needs to go back to the Zoning Board of Appeals through the Zoning Enforcement Officer. There are repercussions for violating their permit. Mr. Resnick said he expected that the new building would have restrooms and facilities for each contractor bay. We did not receive floor plans and they are supposed to be submitting those. If there are zoning violations, the Planning Board has no authority. The information on the road flooding is helpful to ensure there are drainage plans and calculations. Member Fabian said she has concerns about the drainage and floods and zoning violations. Also, there are businesses operating out there that do not have business licenses. Member Carboni said we don't have documented issues on this property. Chairman LaCamera said this is about what is being proposed; do we want to allow multiple businesses in that location. Member Carboni said she saw a landscaping business and a garage with vehicles in it. She wants to make sure there is proper drainage. Member Fabian said she wants to make sure the Planning Board knows about these issues. She spoke to Mr. Darling today and there is a cease and desist. The Board of Health is working on the issues, but it is not resolved.

Upon a motion made by Member Fabian and seconded by Member Carboni, it was:

VOTED: That we send a memo to the Planning Board with our concerns regarding drainage and flooding problems coming from that area, requiring the Department of Public Works to respond to. Also, the Board of Health knows that there are zoning violations because there are supposed to be restrooms and we are questioning how many businesses are legally operating there.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Discuss and possible vote on appointing Select Board SRPEDD delegate

Chairman LaCamera said the Board needs to discuss appointing a delegate to SRPEDD.

Upon a motion made by Member Fabian with Chairman LaCamera stepping down to second, it was:

VOTED: To appoint Lorraine Carboni as SRPEDD Commission Member for a term to expire May 24, 2022.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Receive letter of resignation from Council on Aging Director and discuss the hiring process

Mr. Sky said we received a letter of resignation from Kelly Howley, who is going to Barnstable. Her last day of work is May 13, 2022. He is requesting that the Board designate Lori Fahey as Interim Director for a specific period of time. That will be done under New Business. The Board thanked Ms. Howley for her work.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To accept Kelly Howley's letter of resignation with the last day of work being May 13, 2022.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

<u>Discuss and possible vote to appoint David Frates as Animal Control Officer/Constable; Darcy Lee as Assistant Animal Control Officer; Lisa Podielsky as Assistant Animal Control Officer and Ronnie Frates as Assistant Animal Control Officer appointments</u>

Chairman LaCamera said the annual appointments for Animal Control Officer and Assistant Animal Control Officers needed to be made.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To appoint David Frates as Animal Control Officer/Constable; Darcy Lee as Assistant Animal Control Officer; Lisa Podielsky as Assistant Control Officer and Ronnie Frates as Assistant Animal Control Officer for terms to expire April 30, 2023.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

<u>Discuss and possible vote on request from Elliot Farm LLC for one-day beer and wine licenses</u> for May 1, 2022; June 5, 2022; July 3, 2022, August 7, 2022 and September 4, 2022

Ken Elliot and Matthew Perkins, Police Chief, were present for the discussion. Mr. Elliot said they will not be having the May 1st date. Each Sunday of the June-September would be a beer garden for charity. Chairman LaCamera asked if he has met with the Police Chief? Mr. Elliot said he believes his sister did. Chairman LaCamera said the main concern is traffic and parking. What is being proposed for parking? Mr. Elliot said they have discussed for the June 5th date parking at the Church and the Lions Club has agreed for them to use their parking lot. During the beer garden time, the farm stand will be closed. Chairman LaCamera talked about the Walk for Hunger. Mr. Sky said the walk permit will be discussed once it goes through the process. Chairman LaCamera said need to clarify the license address for the vendor. Ms. Craig-McGee will verify the address information.

Member Fabian asked about possible Police details. Chief Perkins said a detail was hired for the Fall Festival. There was a parking plan in place to park at the Church and the Lion's Club. The traffic problem was because people were parking in the breakdown lane. Member Fabian said the beer garden will probably not be as popular as the festival. Perhaps we can approve the first one and go from there. Chairman LaCamera said the first event is the walk a thon. Mr. Elliot said they will have a good idea of how many people will be walking prior to the event. Chairman LaCamera said you will need to work with the Police Chief. Member Carboni said there are three (3) other dates other than the walk date. Mr. Elliot said the beer gardens will run until the harvest festival in October. Chairman LaCamera said Harper Brewery will need to make sure the license is correct.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To approve the one-day beer and wine licenses for Elliot Farm LLC on June 5, July 3, August 7 and September 4, 2022 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

<u>Discuss and possible vote on request from the Tuesday Club of Assonet to place a sign on Town</u> Property for the annual Strawberry Festival

Chairman LaCamera said the Board had received a request from the Tuesday Club of Assonet to place a sign on Town property for the Annual Strawberry Festival on June 19, 2022.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To allow for a sign to be placed at the intersection of Pickens and Precinct Street advertising the Annual Strawberry Festival on June 19, 2022.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Discuss and schedule Select Board Meeting Dates for June, July and August

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian it was:

VOTED: To schedule the Select Board Meetings as May 16; May 23; June 13; June 27; July 11; July 25; and August 22, 2022.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Member Carboni said she would like to go back to in person meetings beginning on May 23^{rd} . Chairman LaCamera said he is okay going back in person as long as a hybrid option is available. Member Fabian was also okay with that . It was decided to begin the Select Board Meetings at 6:00 PM beginning with the May 23^{rd} meeting.

New Business

Interim Council on Aging Director

Mr. Sky said he is requesting that Lori Fahey be appointed as Interim Council on Aging Director for a period not to exceed six (6) months at the starting salary rate of that position which is \$66,593 as of May 14, 2022. This is due to the resignation of Kelly Howley as Council on Aging Director. We may need temporary help to assist with the front counter.

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian, it was:

VOTED: To appoint Lori Fahey as the Interim Director of the Council upon the departure of Kelly Howley for a period not to exceed six (6) months at a salary of \$66,593.

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian – aye and Chairman LaCamera – aye.

Old Business

Member Carboni said based on the vote of the Town, we do have a current by-law in place. The advocates who supported the Community Preservation Act (CPA) have been very interested in getting the Committee up and running. We wouldn't be charging assessments until July 1st but there is no reason why we can't start the process to get a committee in place. Chairman LaCamera said we will be discussing this on May 23rd. Member Carboni said they are interested in getting some of the planning done, especially for the Lakeville Country Club property. Mr. Sky said he reached out to Town Counsel regarding the permissibility on issuance, as well as, CPA bond and if this effects the article. He received a response today; it is a bad idea to rush forth with a funding proposal before the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) does the work they are supposed to do, which is developing the plan, application and reaching out to stakeholders. The funds would not be available

until next year and the match won't come in until the fall of 2023. The bylaw makes it clear that CPC is to come to the Annual Town Meeting with funding proposals. So that would be in May of 2023 using the anticipated match from the State. Member Carboni asked about borrowing against future funds. Mr. Sky said you can anticipate ahead for borrowing, but Town Counsel's advice was that it would be putting the cart in front of the horse before the plan and application are in place. The CPC should be soliciting projects and recommending what the funds should go for. Does it make sense to designate all your open space money to one project. If you issue debt, you are locked into keeping the CPA in place for the length of the debt. It is general obligation debt and part of our debt limit. He discussed other funding information. Member Carboni said people are trying to develop financial streams to support the purchase price for the Lakeville Country Club.

Member Carboni asked if a plan was provided for what was planned for the site when Chairman LaCamera had met with the developer. Chairman LaCamera said they talked about a warehouse/distribution center. We discussed the problems with the first Purchase and Sale Agreement which was inaccurate. We asked them to come forward with a correct agreement. He would never accept a Site Plan; that is the Planning Board's purview. Member Carboni said she was wondering if they talked about their plans at that time for the property. Chairman LaCamera said that is what is says in the Purchase and Sale Agreement. We did speak about that he would not support any access on Crooked Lane or Clear Pond Road. They needed to figure out access for Route 18.

Member Fabian said our Town government works with a combination of volunteers and professional staff. Sometimes as volunteers we need to listen to the professionals. The staff feels that rushing the CPA is not the right thing. This was the third attempt to pass the CPA and it passed. We don't want to make quick decisions. We can work on alternate funding. She appreciates people's passion, but we need to listen to our professionals. Voters were told July 1st but now we want to drop a decision on this Town Meeting. People weren't expecting to make a funding decision until next year. We don't want to rush a massive decision like this, tying up money for 30 years. Member Carboni said it wouldn't necessarily be a rush and not listening to the professionals. Why did this come up so late when we knew about this in March. Member Fabian said the first Purchase and Sale Agreement was not a legitimate offer. Member Carboni said we should have had this on a meeting to let people know what is going on. We could have told people that we sent this to Town Counsel for review. We can get better bringing information forward in public meetings. Member Fabian said the last time this happened, we had an executive session to hash out the details. This time we skipped that step and we are finding out new things every day. Member Carboni said we had time to bring it to the public in March. Chairman LaCamera said the letter from Mr. Maksy was sent to our Town Boards. Everyone all got it on the same day. The Planning Board talked about it at one of their meetings and it wasn't on their agenda. We have to give it to the Board of Assessors and then back taxes are calculated. Then it goes to Town Counsel and it was a mess. Its not a good idea to bring a mess forward. Chairman LaCamera said residents are taking out their anger on the Board; where are the owners in this.

Member Carboni said we can get better on the timing. Member Fabian said the first two (2) or three (3) weeks were eaten up by the first agreement. Chairman LaCamera said some of the misinformation out there is atrocious. We are trying to provide any information we have. There is a public document request and we are not withholding any information. Member Carboni asked if the Select Board received one. Chairman LaCamera said yes from Heather Bodwell and John Jenkins to Nathan Darling, Ari Sky, Derek Maksy and himself. Chairman LaCamera said he has none. Member Fabian said why do we have the Planning Board on Facebook telling us they received it three (3) weeks later. Chairman LaCamera said the letter sent from Mr. Maksy was sent to the Planning Board.

Mr. Sky said he took the one we received and shared with the Board and Town Counsel. Mr. Resnick said the Planning Board did receive their agreement at the same time it was sent to the Select Board. That is why it was discussed at the meeting.

Any other business that can properly come before the Select Board

There was no Other Business discussed.

Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Member Carboni and seconded by Member Fabian it was:

VOTED: To adjourn the Select Board Meeting at 9:18 PM

Roll call vote: Member Carboni – aye; Member Fabian– aye and Chairman LaCamera

– aye.

Other Items

- 1. Cemetery Commission reorganization memo
- 2. Board of Health Reorganization memo

List of documents provided at the Select Board Meeting of April 25, 2022

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