

**Board of Selectmen
November 7, 2022
Town Hall
Center Office Building
301 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566**

Present:

Mary Blanchard, Chair
Chase Kaitbenski, Vice Chair
Mary Dowling, Clerk
Selectman Ian Dunnigan
Selectman Jamie Goodwin

Staff:

Robin A. Grimm, Ph.D., Town Administrator
Michelle Garman, Executive Assistant

**Chair Blanchard called meeting to order at 6:30p.m.
The Selectmen led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

Moment of Silence

Chair Blanchard on behalf of the Board of Selectmen and the Towns people would like to express their sincere condolences to the family of David Barnicle. David dedicated twenty-five plus years on the Conservation Commission.

Public Service Announcements

Special Events Committee is hosting the Home of the Brave 5K Run.

Town Administrator Update:

Road Maintenance Contribution Agreement Update

- Administrator Grimm gave a description of the Road Maintenance Contribution Agreement between the Town of Sturbridge and Sturbridge Road Solar Farm, LLC. A copy of the agreement is on file in the Town Administrators Office.

Motion: To support and sign the Road Maintenance Contribution Agreement as written.

By: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

2nd: Selectman Dunnigan

Vote: 5-0-0

Action Items:

- A. Consideration and possible action on the confirmation of the appointment of Rhonda Tetreault as the Payroll and Benefits Coordinator in the Finance Department.

Motion: To approve the confirmation of the appointment of Rhonda Tetreault as the Payroll and Benefits Coordinator in the Finance Department in the amount of \$27.15 per hour.

By: Selectman Dunnigan

2nd: Selectman Goodwin

Vote: 5-0-0

- B. Consideration and possible action on the application made by LNL Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Comfort Inn for a Pledge of Collateral/Pledge of License from Savers Bank to Milford Federal Bank.

Motion: To approve the application made by LNL Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Comfort Inn for a Pledge of Collateral/Pledge of License from Savers Bank to Milford Federal Bank.

By: Selectman Goodwin

2nd: Selectman Dunnigan

Vote: 5-0-0

- C. Consideration and possible action to authorize the Chair to execute the contract with Sherman & Frydryk Land Surveying and Engineering for request for quotes for professional land surveying for the northerly line of 45 & Champeaux Road.

Motion: To authorize the Chair to execute the contract with Sherman & Frydryk Land Surveying and Engineering for request for quotes for professional land surveying for the northerly line of 45 & Champeaux Road.

By: Selectman Goodwin

2nd: Selectman Dunnigan

Vote: 5-0-0

- D. Consideration and possible action to authorize the Chair to execute the contract with ESS Group in the amount of \$75,000.00 for the Alum treatment of South Pond.

Motion: To authorize the Chair to execute the contract with ESS Group in the amount of \$75,000.00 for the Alum treatment of South Pond.

By: Selectman Dunnigan

2nd: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

Vote: 5-0-0

- E. Consideration and possible action to accept a donation from Cornerstone Bank to the Recreation Department in the amount of \$250.00 towards the cost of the DJ services at the Annual Tree Lighting Event on the Common.

Motion: To accept a donation from Cornerstone Bank to the Recreation Department in the amount of \$250.00 towards the cost of the DJ services at the Annual Tree Lighting Event on the Common.

By: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

2nd: Selectman Goodwin

Vote: 5-0-0

- F. Consideration and possible action on the Common Victualler application for Deep Roots Distillery, USA located at 559 Main Street, Unit 209, Fiskdale.

Motion: To approve the Common Victualler application for Deep Roots Distillery, USA located at 559 Main Street, Unit 209, Fiskdale.

By: Selectman Dunnigan

2nd: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

Vote: 5-0-0

- G. Consideration and possible action on accepting the resignation letter from Daniel Gervasi effective October 21, 2022 from the Sturbridge Department of Public Works.

Motion: To accept with regret the resignation letter from Daniel Gervasi effective October 21, 2022 from the Sturbridge Department of Public Works.

By: Selectman Goodwin

2nd: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

Vote: 5-0-0

- H. Consideration and possible action on authorizing the Chair to sign the Public Health Excellence Shared Services Grant.

Motion: To authorize the Chair to sign the Public Health Excellence Shared Services Grant with Charlton as explained.

By: Selectmen Goodwin

2nd: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

Vote: 5-0-0

- I. Consideration and possible action to accept the letter of resignation from Steven Chidester from the Conservation Commission.

Motion: To accept with regret the letter of resignation from Steven Chidester from the Conservation Commission and extend a thank you for all of his hard work

By: Selectman Goodwin

2nd: Selectman Dunnigan

Vote: 5-0-0

- J. Consideration and possible action to re-appoint Roy Bishop and Erik Gaspar to the Conservation Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2025.

Motion: To re-appoint Roy Bishop and Erik Gaspar to the Conservation Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2025.

By: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

2nd: Selectman Goodwin

Vote: 5-0-0

- K. Consideration and possible action to accept the letter of resignation from Susan L. Grandone from the Council on Aging Board.

Motion: To accept the letter of resignation from Susan L. Grandone from the Council on Aging Board.

By: Selectman Dunnigan

2nd: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

Vote: 5-0-0

- L. Consideration and possible action on the Transient Vendor License for Keith Blakely for Country Folk Art Shows at the Sturbridge Host Hotel on Friday, November 25, 2022 from 10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m., Saturday, November 26, 2022 from 10:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. and Sunday, November 27, 2022 from 10:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

Motion: To approve the Transient Vendor License for Keith Blakely for Country Folk Art Shows at the Sturbridge Host Hotel on Friday, November 25, 2022 from 10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m., Saturday, November 26, 2022 from 10:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. and Sunday, November 27, 2022 from 10:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

By: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

2nd: Selectman Dunnigan

Vote: 5-0-0

- M. Consideration and possible action to appoint Paula Kopacz to the Sturbridge Lakes Association as the Leadmine Lake representative for a term to expire April 18, 2023.

Motion: To appoint Paula Kopacz to the Sturbridge Lakes Association as the Leadmine Lake representative for a term to expire April 18, 2023.

By: Selectman Goodwin

2nd: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

Vote: 5-0-0

- N. Consideration and possible action to re-appoint Leigh Darrin to the Sturbridge Lakes Association as the Cedar Lake representative for a term to expire June 30, 2025.

Motion: To re-appoint Leigh Darrin to the Sturbridge Lakes Association as the Cedar Lake representative for a term to expire June 30, 2025.

By: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

2nd: Selectman Dunnigan

Vote: 5-0-0

- O. Consideration and possible action to re-appoint Marita Tasse to the Sturbridge Lakes Association as the South Pond representative for a term to expire June 30, 2025.

Motion: To re-appoint Marita Tasse to the Sturbridge Lakes Association as the South Pond representative for a term to expire June 30, 2025.

By: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

2nd: Selectman Goodwin

Vote: 5-0-0

- P. Consideration and possible action to appoint Debbie Steinberg to the Council on Aging for a term to expire June 19, 2025.

Motion: To appoint Debbie Steinberg to the Council on Aging for a term to expire June 19, 2025.

By: Selectman Goodwin

2nd: Selectman Dunnigan

Vote: 5-0-0

Old Business:

New Business

Correspondence

- Worcester Regional Transit Authority
- Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development

- News letter from The Community Food Collaborative

Approval of Minutes:

Citizen's Forum

Adjourn:

Motion: To Adjourn

By: Selectman Goodwin

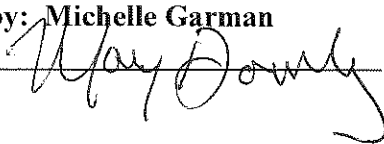
2nd: Vice Chair Kaitbenski

Vote: 5-0-0

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Michelle Garman

Clerk of the Board:



Date signed: Oct 2 '23