

Minutes of Meeting –November 9, 2022; meeting called to order at 6:00pm. Present: Ed Lane; Warren Archey; Dave Roche; Neal Maxymillian; Marybeth Mitts.

MOTION by MM, seconded by NM to approve the Minutes of October 26. 4/0 vote with WA abstaining.

Citizens Open Forum: Sonya Bykofsky asked for an update on her request for petition articles setting the quorum for STM and ATM or a codification of the bylaws. She also mentioned wanting to meet with the Board regarding communication issues and the open meeting law. DR stated that he would be happy to speak with her once the STM is over, but he feels that it is the content of the warrant that determines if people attend the meetings or not and that a quorum requirement really has no bearing as to how many people attend. With regard to communication, NM stated that everything is on our website, i.e., minutes, agenda with their dates, etc., and that both he and MM have Town emails that you can access directly from the Selectmen's page. Courtney Gilardi stated her concern about cell towers and the fact that she got sick and had to move out of her home in Pittsfield due to the location of a tower to her residence.

Consent Agenda: NM placed a HOLD on the appointment to the HDC. He wanted to thank those individuals stepping forward to serve on town boards. MOTION by MM, seconded by NM to approve monetary donations to the police department; monetary donations to the fire department; appoint Peggy Ammendola to the Historic District Commission; appoint Peggy Ammendola to the Community Center Board; appoint Edwina Vahle to the Lenox Cultural Council; a one-day A/A license to Canyon Ranch for 12/8 from 5-9pm at The Mount. 5/0 vote. Sarah Hatch from the Land Trust appeared before the Board regarding their request to erect a sign near Parson's Marsh. She stated that Robert and Olga Weiss donated land back in 1974 with a stipulation that a sign be erected on the site. The Land Trust would like to place the sign on the wooded side of the pull off on Route 183. MOTION by MM, seconded by NM to grant permission to erect a sign on Route 183 as discussed. 5/0 vote.

Antimony Brewing LLC d/b/a Antimony Brewing came before the Board seeking a new annual A/A General On-Premise license for property located at 55 Pittsfield Road. The clerk read the legal notice as it appeared in the newspaper. MOTION by MM, seconded by NM to open the public hearing. 5/0 vote. The proposed manager Robert Trask was present to answer any questions. He briefly explained what their plan is for the operation. MOTION by MM, seconded by NM to close the public hearing. 5/0 vote. MOTION by MM, seconded by NM to approve a new annual A/A On-Premise license to Antimony Brewing LLC d/b/a Antimony Brewing for property located at 55 Pittsfield Road, Robert Trask, Manager. 5/0 vote. The Board wished them the best of luck with this new endeavor.

STM: The Board reviewed the draft warrant for the December 8 STM. The TM stated that he would like their input so that he can finalize the document. There are currently ten articles, with the cell tower bylaw listed as the second article. NM stated that he feels that the articles that will merit more discussion such as this one should occur at the end. Other members of the Board concurred. MM suggested the following order: CPC articles, dog bylaw, noise bylaw, land transfer, large investments, cell tower bylaw. The TM then went through proposed financing scenarios for the WWTP and the Public Safety complex.

BOS Reports: EL mentioned that he would like to attend another meeting tonight regarding the demolition delay bylaw. Casella is hoping to tear down their building in the Dale, and he is concerned what this would mean for that area. DR stated that he has received several complaints about increased truck traffic and the fact that you can no longer bring your trash down on Saturdays and is forcing people to obtain trash containers. It was suggested that a few of the Selectmen go down to meet with Casella to discuss the issues.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08pm.

Minutes Taken By: _____ Minutes Accepted By: _____
Mary Ellen Deming Clerk
Director of Administrative Services Board of Selectmen