

Minutes of Meeting – June 4, 2021; meeting called to order at 4:00pm. Present: Ed Lane; Marybeth Mitts; Dave Roche; Neal Maxymillian; Warren Archey.

MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to approve the Minutes of May 26. 5/0 vote.

Citizens Open Forum: None.

Consent Agenda: None.

The Board received a request from Cristhian Herrera to go door-to-door to sell solar energy products. The Board agreed to be consistent and stay with their policy to not allow people to go door-to-door selling items or services..

Outdoor Dining: MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to deny the request from The Wit Gallery to erect a tent in front of her gallery located at 27 Church Street on July 16, 17, 31 and August 1. 5/0 vote. The Board felt that this would obstruct the sidewalk, and since we are now back to indoor shopping, felt that the need is not there. MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to deny the request from Concepts of Art to erect a tent and a table in front of his building located at 65 Church Street on June 19-20, July 16-19 and August 27-29. 5/0 vote. Again, the Board was concerned with the safety of pedestrians walking on the sidewalks. MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to grant permission to Arizona Pizza, 395 Pittsfield Road to offer outside dining in his parking lot in the same way that he did last year. 5/0 vote. MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to grant permission for Nudel, 35 Church Street, to place up to two tables and four chairs in front of his building for use by the public (aesthetic offering), but not for the serving of food or drink. 5/0 vote. MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to grant The Bookstore permission to set up 4/5 bistro tables with two chairs each on the sidewalk in front of his store. 5/0 vote. MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to grant permission to Patisserie Lenox to place five tables and 14 seats out in front of their establishment, subject to the Board's Outdoor Dining Policy. 5/0 vote.

Kaitlyn Kohlenberger from Berkshire Dogs Unleashed appeared before the Board seeking permission to hold a K9 Carnival at 439 Pittsfield Road on July 10 and 11 from 8am-6pm. MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to grant permission for the K9 Carnival. 5/0 vote.

The TM stated that FinCom approved all articles unanimously except for the School articles which was a split vote. The Board reviewed the Annual Town Meeting Warrant. They held a brief discussion regarding #19, a bylaw prohibiting fireworks, pyrotechnics and other explosive devices in Parsons Marsh. Channing Gibson and Susan Wissler were present to discuss Article 17, regarding the Edith Wharton property. It was agreed that the building is deteriorating and needs to be preserved. MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to approve the warrant as presented, subject to final review by Town Counsel. 5/0 vote.

NM stated that much work went into the creation of the Master Plan. DR agreed, and stated that he would not want to see it sit on a shelf and gather dust. WA was very impressed with the amount of work put into the plan. NM suggested that the Board receive a quarterly Master Plan check in. MOTION by EL, seconded by DR to endorse the Master Plan as presented. 5/0 vote.

New Business/Liaison Reports: DR stated that Apple Squeeze will be a one-day event this year, with 50 vendors. MM reminded everyone of the Art Walk occurring this weekend. She also mentioned that the Jeremy Yudkin lectures are beginning. NM stated that there are summer jobs available with the Community Center.

Meeting adjourned at 5:12pm.

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