Minutes of Meeting – August 30, 2023; meeting called to order at 6:00pm. Present: Ed Lane; Neal Maxymillian; Marybeth Mitts; Max Scherff. Absent: Dave Roche

MOTION by DR, seconded by MS to approve the Minutes of August 9. 4/0 vote.

Citizens Open Forum: Harvey Waller shared information regarding the upcoming Berkshire Coaching weekend.

Consent Agenda: MOTION by DR, seconded by MS to grant permission to Police Chief O'Brien to accept monetary donation; grant permission to Director McCauley to accept monetary donation; grant One-Day W&M license to Lenox VFW September 30 from 4:30-10pm; grant One-Day A/A license to 5 Senses Events & Design September 16 from 7-10pm; grant One-Day A/A license to 5 Senses Events & Design September 22 from 7-10pm; grant On-Day A/A license to Norma J Kirby September 15 from 6-11pm; sign request, Lenox Library Book Sale October 6-9; appoint Mindi Morin to the BRTA Advisory Board; sign request Lenox Library and Lenox Community Center, Rise Together for Safety and Justice through September 14. 3/0 vote, with MS abstaining.

General Business: TM discussed the Special Town Meeting, tentatively scheduled for November 2, and time frame for posting 2 weeks in advance of the Special Town Meeting Warrant and deadlines for Planning and Finance.

Articles the TM would like the Board to consider were discussed including:

Special Act Charter review Creation/appropriation of debt service stabilization account Administrative approval for Special Permitting

MM requested the Board consider 25% of Short-Term Rental taxes to go to a fund balance for Affordable Housing Trust to help people purchase homes.

NM discussed timing of the Special Town Meeting and asked that the Board members go to their liaison assignments to advise the date to be determined.

New/Old Business: None.

Calendar: The Board discussed scheduling the next meeting for September 20.

By roll call, MM, EL, NM and MS voted to go into Executive Session at 6:29pm to discuss strategy with respect to ongoing litigation with PLH Vinyard Sky.

Minutes Taken By:

Deanna Garner Executive Assistant Minutes Accepted By: _____ Clerk

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