

**Selectboard
Meeting Minutes
December 27, 2022
Town Offices
Hybrid Session via Zoom
6:00pm**

The open session of the Selectboard of the Town of Whately was called to order on December 27, 2022, at 6:09 pm. Present were Selectboard members Joyce Palmer-Fortune, Fred Baron, and Julie Waggoner via Zoom. Also present were Town Administrator Brian Domina, Community Development Coordinator/Assistant Town Administrator Hannah Davis via Zoom, Toroverde attorney representative Taylor Lovejoy via Zoom.

1. Meeting Minutes: Review and vote to approve the meeting minutes from December 13, 2022

Motion to approve the Minutes from December 13, 2022. Motion seconded. All in favor. Roll Call Vote. Joyce-yes, Fred-yes, Julie-yes

2. Vendor & Payroll Warrants: Review past vendor and payroll warrants

No comments

3. Public Comment: Listen to comments from the public related to items not listed on the agenda

None

4.Scheduled Appointments:

a.(6:05 pm) Taylor Lovejoy (Toroverde Massachusetts III, Inc.) to request an extension of the existing Host Community Agreement and for the Selectboard to vote on whether to extend the Host Community Agreement for the cannabis retail establishment located at 424 State Road

Taylor discussed with the Board that the current HCA is due to expire at the end of the year and they are requesting an extension for one year. ToroVerde is working to complete a sale of the company which they anticipate will be completed in the spring.

Motion made to extend original HCA agreement for an additional year. Motion seconded. All in favor. Roll Call Vote. Joyce-yes, Fred-yes, Julie-yes

5.COVID19: *Reminder – COVID19 rapid tests are available at the Town Offices*****

6. Old Business:

None

7. New Business

None

8. Town Administrator Updates: (Items likely to be discussed)

Municipal Digital Equity Planning Grant award: Hannah discussed with the Board that they have meetings set up to discuss town goals with consultants. Work is due to begin in March.

Town Hall storm window issue: Brian discussed with the Board that the pink staining on the storm windows at the Town Hall is increasing. The Town filed a warranty claim almost 10 months ago and the manufacturer wants to test the glass so the Town will be shipping one of the windows to the company for further analysis.

Herlihy Park restroom accessibility project: Brian has an agreement for Selectboard to sign with Cornerstone, who was awarded the contract at a previous meeting. The work on the project will begin soon and needs to be completed by the end of May.

9. Items not Anticipated:

The Building Inspector received a letter from Baystate Blasting that the deal with Maxam has fallen through and that they will not be renting any space to them on site at 71 Chestnut Plain Road. The expectation is that an inspection will still be scheduled.

Hannah Davis has submitted their resignation effective January 12, 2023. The Board accepts Hannah's resignation.

10. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 6:27 pm. Motion seconded. All in favor. Roll Call Vote. Joyce-yes, Fred-yes, Julie-yes

Next Meetings: January 10, 2023, and January 31, 2023

Documents:

Meeting Minutes, December 13, 2022

Vendor and Payroll Warrants, WP23-14, W23-14

SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDED AND RESTATED HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF WHATELY AND TOROVERDE (MASSACHUSETTS) III, INC.

Amended and Restated signed HCA-Whately & ToroVerde