



**Office of Board of Selectmen
Town of Mason**

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Selectmen Meeting 8/23/2022
Approved Minutes

Present: Selectmen Kate Batcheller, Charlie Moser, John Suiter (via Zoom); Admin Asst Jen Tenney, Town Clerk Deb Morrison, Fire Chief Tony Burns, Police Chief Kevin Maxwell; Residents Wendy Sue Avery, Dennis Avery, Daryl Scott, Andrea Iodice, Matt LeClair

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:43pm by Chair Kate Batcheller, attendance was taken by roll call as reflected above.

Approvals:

- Noted that the accounts payable and payroll manifests had been reviewed and approved prior to the meeting.
- Minutes of 7/26/2022 BOS / PD meeting - Kate motioned to approve as written, second from John. Roll call vote Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, John-aye.
- Minutes of 8/9/2022 BOS meeting - Kate motioned to approve as written, second from Charlie. Roll call vote Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, John-aye.

New Business:

- Budget – cursory review of year-to-date budget appears appropriate.
- Town Clerk Deb Morrison informed the Selectmen of a \$100 donation made to the town by a resident. The resident did not have a specific area they wished to apply the donation. Kate motioned to accept the donation of \$100 and apply the funds to the Town Hall Restoration Fund, second from John. Roll call vote Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, John-aye.
- Town Clerk Deb Morrison presented three properties up for deeding for lien year 2019 to the Selectmen. Selectmen decided to deed two of the three parcels.
- Matt LeClair discussed the Rapidan Civil War Reenactment he is hosting on his property, Barrett Hill Farm, on October 1st and 2nd 2022. He has support from the 15th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Regiment, the Liberty Greys, and the New England Brigade and has been in contact with Chief Maxwell regarding this event. The Selectmen asked Matt LeClair to forward them more information regarding this event, he will do so through Admin Jen Tenney.

Old Business:

- L-19
 - The Selectmen continued their discussion with Andrea Iodice regarding if a site plan review is needed by the Planning Board or not. Charlie explained again why he feels a site plan review is needed; the use of the land is changing. Kate recommends again to have a site plan review done to protect the business in question. Both Kate and John feel the next best step is a site walk with Andrea Iodice before they make a final determination. Andrea is in agreeance to this and the site walk was scheduled for 8/29/22 at 8:00am.
- Jeds Lane
 - Kate discussed that at this time we are still waiting for an updated site plan from the engineer. The engineer has submitted a preliminary application. The final grant application will not get submitted to FEMA Hazard Mitigation Funding until likely mid-November, and the engineer is working with HSEM (Homeland Security Emergency Management) on the application in the meantime. The Selectmen have drafted a response letter to an abutter's email regarding questions and concerns. Jen will forward this response to the abutter. At this time there is no further action needed until November.
- Driving Range & J-60
 - The Selectmen agree to move forward with purchasing a decibel reader and will use this to monitor the noise level against the logs kept by the Driving Range.
 - Wendy Sue and Dennis Avery expressed further concern and frustration regarding the noise levels and the lack of compliance from the Driving Range. They are also concerned that they did not stop work on J-60 despite the cease-and-desist order. Selectmen did let the Avery's know that the Driving Range have submitted site plan review applications to the Planning Board and Zoning Board. At this time the Driving Range appears to be taking steps to bring them into compliance. The Selectmen are still working to make sure the Driving Range is compliant under their approved business operation plan. Charlie did inform the Avery's of the upcoming Planning Board hearing for the Driving Range site plan review on 8/31/22 at 7:00p. Charlie also referred the Avery's to review the Site Plan Review Regulations located on our website.
- L-45
 - The Selectmen did not get owner permission for the Health Inspector to do a property inspection regarding the visible junk vehicles on the property. Charlie will contact the Town Council for the next step.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Kate motioned to adjourn, second from Charlie. Roll call vote Kate-aye, Charlie-aye, John-aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jennifer Tenney
BOS Administrative Assistant