

Board of Selectmen  
Library Meeting Room  
January 14, 2020

Present: Chairman Brian Packish, Selectmen Gail Barmakian, Gregory Coogan, Michael Santoro.  
Also present: Town Administrator Robert Whritenour, Executive Assistant Alice Ryan Butler.  
Absent: Selectman Jason Balboni.

**Meeting called to order at 4:05 p.m.**

**Selectman Balboni telephoned from a remote location.**

**Executive Session**

*Selectman Santoro motioned to enter into Executive Session to discuss strategy and/or to obtain legal advice with respect to pending or threatened litigation in two separate matters, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares after a roll call vote. One of the matters is litigation pending in the Land Court entitled Zarba v. Board of Appeals, Case No. 17 MISC 000139. The other matter is not identified because to do so would compromise the litigating position of a public body. Also to review Executive Session Minutes. Returning to Open Session, seconded by Selectman Coogan.*

*Chairman Packish Aye  
Selectman Balboni Aye (Remote)  
Selectman Barmakian Aye  
Selectman Coogan Aye  
Selectman Santoro Aye*

*Selectman Coogan motioned to leave Executive Session, seconded by Selectman Santoro*

*Chairman Packish Aye  
Selectman Balboni Aye (Remote)  
Selectman Barmakian Aye  
Selectman Coogan Aye  
Selectman Santoro*

**Selectman Balboni left the meeting.**

**February 3, 2020**

**This is to certify that these Minutes are the ones I recorded and transcribed of the Board of Selectmen Meeting held on January 14, 2020.**

**Alice Ryan Butler  
Executive Assistant**

## **Old/New Business**

Request for a new business, Seaview Tattoo, 8 Circuit Avenue, Ext. Jeff Gemma  
Did not attend. No action taken,

Request for a new retail business, So Summer & Co., 38 Circuit Avenue. Dhaniyany Almeida  
**Selectman Coogan motioned to approve, seconded by Selectman Santoro. Vote was unanimous.**

**Public Hearing – CDBG –** The Town of Oak Bluffs will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at or after 5:00 p.m. at the Oak Bluffs Library Meeting Room to discuss the FY20 Oak Bluffs regional CDBG application including housing rehabilitation and childcare subsidies serving residents of Oak Bluffs, Chilmark and Tisbury. Residents from the three towns are invited and will be heard. For additional information please contact Alice Boyd, Grant Administrator at 508-430-4499.

**Selectman Coogan motioned to submit an FY20 CDBG grant for housing rehabilitation and childcare subsidies and to authorize the Town Administrator or Designee to sign the grant application and associated forms, seconded by Selectman Santoro. Vote was unanimous.**

**Selectman Coogan motioned to allocate \$40,000 of CD BG Miscellaneous Income as a contingency fund, seconded by Selectman Santoro. Vote was unanimous.**

## **Appointment**

Request for appointment as a Special Police Officer. Julia Levesque  
**Selectman Santoro motioned to appoint Julia Levesque as a Special Police Officer, seconded by Selectman Coogan.**

## **Department Head Updates**

Highway Superintendent Combra asked permission to change the first two lights on Seaview Avenue to bulbs with less wattage as an experiment.

**Selectman Coogan motioned to allow the change of the light bulbs on the first two lights on Seaview Avenue to ones with less wattage to provide softer light in that area, seconded by Selectman Barmakian. Vote was unanimous.**

## **Minutes**

December 12, 2019

**Selectman Santoro motioned to accept the Minutes of December 12, 2019, seconded by Selectman Barmakian. Vote was three in favor, Selectman Coogan abstained.**

December 17, 2019

**Selectman Santoro motioned to accept the Minutes of December 17, 2019, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was unanimous.**

Request for Certification of Authority to use the Construction Management at Risk Delivery Method

**Selectman Barmakian motioned to approve the request for Certification of Authority to use the Construction Management at Risk Delivery Method for the Town Hall Project, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was unanimous.**

Request to discuss a Warrant Article on bottles for the Annual Town Meeting. Plastic Free MV  
Did not attend. No action taken.

Request to discuss a non-binding resolution on the limitation of polystyrene (#6 plastic) through voluntary action.

The Selectmen suggested that the group meet with local businesses, and the Board of Health. Also they should do more outreach and education.

Request to discuss the revised proposal for the Triathlon/Beer Fest held on the same day (9/12 2020). Jen Passafiume, Vineyard Triathlon

The revised proposal includes separating the two events and holding the Triathlon on September 12, 2020.

**Selectman Barmakian motioned to approve the changes made to this event, separating the two activities and holding the Triathlon on September 12, 2020, seconded by Selectman Coogan. Vote was unanimous.**

Energy Advisory Committee. Committee Charge

**Selectman Coogan motioned to accept the Committee Charge for the Energy Advisory Committee, seconded by Selectman Santoro. Vote was unanimous.**

### **Budget Workshop**

Town Administrator Whritenour provided a power point presentation.

**Selectman Coogan motioned to recommend the budget to the Finance and Advisory Committee for review, seconded by Selectman Barmakian. Vote was unanimous.**

### **Adjourn**

**Selectman Coogan motioned to adjourn at 8:05 p.m., seconded by Selectman Barmakian. Vote was unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Ryan Butler

Executive Assistant