



The Selectboard
TOWN OF WESTHAMPTON
TOWN HALL
1 SOUTH ROAD
WESTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS 01027

MINUTES of the MEETING

Monday, December 19, 2022, at 7:00 PM

The Westhampton Selectboard scheduled a regular meeting to be held on Monday, December 19, 2022, at 7:00 PM at the Town Offices, 1 South Road, and via video-conference.¹

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM by Phil Dowling, Chair.

PRESENT: Phil Dowling, Maureen Dempsey, Scott Johndrow

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Douglas Finn; Ms. Marilyn Witherell

By Remote conferencing: Ms. Mary Lou Burgess

ABCC / FARMERS BREWERY LICENSE RENEWAL - Outlook Farm

An application to renew a Farmers Brewery Pouring Permit was reviewed. After brief discussion, it was **MOVED** by Dowling, **SECONDED** by Johndrow

To approve the application as presented.

VOTED: 3, 0, 0 (7:07 PM)

CLASS LICENSE RENEWALS

Two applications for Class Licenses were reviewed:

A Request to renew a Class III License, submitted by Mr. Bob Dunn, was reviewed. After brief review, it was **MOVED** by Dowling, **SECONDED** by Dempsey

To approve as presented.

VOTED: 3, 0, 0. (7:09 PM)

A Request to renew a Class III License, submitted by Mr. Richard Huntley, was reviewed. After brief review, it was **MOVED** by Dowling, **SECONDED** by Dempsey

To approve as presented.

VOTED: 3, 0, 0. (7:10 PM)

BUSINESS LICENSE RENEWALS

Requests for business license renewals were reviewed.

A Request to renew an existing business license, submitted by Mr. Stillman Brooks was reviewed. After brief review, it was **MOVED** by Dowling, **SECONDED** by Dempsey

To approve as presented.

VOTED: 3, 0, 0. (7:12 PM)

¹ Pursuant to Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, the meeting was conducted as a "hybrid" (in-person / remote) meeting. Members of the public could access the meeting in person, or connect via "zoom" teleconferencing via internet – Meeting ID#: 870 4390 0582.

A Request to renew an existing business license, submitted by Mr. Steve Holt, was reviewed. After brief review, it was MOVED by Dowling, SECONDED by Dempsey
To approve as presented.

VOTED: 3, 0, 0. (7:12 PM)

A Request to renew an existing business license, submitted by Mr. Ed Fisher, E & J Archery, was reviewed. After brief review, it was MOVED by Dowling, SECONDED by Dempsey
To approve as presented.

VOTED: 3, 0, 0. (7:13 PM)

DEPARTMENT AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Highway (Bill Jablonski)

Mr. Jablonski was absent. Mr. Finn offered a brief report on activities over the past week, and noted that the Highway Departments operations are significantly constrained due to the continued garaging of fire equipment in the highway garage. Ms. Marilyn Witherell offered comments in regard to snow management practices.

Health (Robby Armenti)

No report. There was some discussion about the possibility of a BOH mask mandate.

Public Safety Building (Phil Dowling)

Mr. Dowling noted that work progresses.

Telephone / security / access control work is ongoing, as are final details of the HVAC and electrical systems. A meeting on December 20, 2022 should help to determine status of many systems, and get the Town closer to a 'certificate of occupancy'.

MVP (Teri Anderson)

No report given.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS (may include items not reasonably anticipated at time of posting)

No new business was presented.

BOARD MEMBER INFORMATION or UPDATES (if any)

Mr. Johndrow noted some public comments and concerns about livestock wandering in roads; he noted that he had personally returned some cows to their paddocks.

There was brief discussion about specific incidents. It was agreed that a member of the board would approach one specific farm owner on behalf of the Selectboard to see if any preventative efforts could be made.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Mr. Finn provided an update on Website Grant Work, and progress on the Annual Town Report.

Correspondence

Two brief pieces of correspondence were reviewed. No actions taken.

Review Payroll and A/P Warrants:

Accounts Payable Warrant #W23-13 was reviewed. It was MOVED by Dowling,

SECONDED by Dempsey

To approve as presented, with the exception of one invoice payable to Sherman Williams which will be held back for review.

VOTED: 3, 0, 0. (7:34 PM)

Payroll Warrant #WP23-13 was reviewed. It was MOVED by Dowling, SECONDED by Dempsey

To approve as presented.

VOTED: 3, 0, 0. (7:36 PM)

Review / Approve Minutes

The minutes of December 5 were presented. Two minor corrections made. After review, it was MOVED by Dowling, SECONDED by Dempsey

To approve the minutes as amended.

VOTED: 3, 0, 0. (7:40 PM)

Set date for next meeting

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for TUESDAY, January 3, 2023, 7 PM.

Adjourn

It was MOVED by Dowling, SECONDED by Johndrow

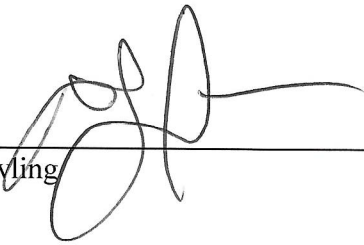
To Adjourn.

VOTED: 3, 0, 0. (7:43 PM)

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas C. Finn

Approved by a vote of the Selectboard at a regular meeting, held on January 3, 2023.

Phil Dowling



Maureen Dempsey

Scott Johndrow

