

SELECT BOARD

Minutes of Meeting of May 25, 2022. The hybrid meeting took place in person at the Public Safety Facility Community Room at 4 Fairgrounds Road; and, via remote participation using Zoom Webinar. Members of the Board present were Jason Bridges, Matt Fee, and Brooke Mohr. Melissa Murphy joined remotely later as noted and Dawn Holdgate was absent.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bridges read a prepared statement as to how the meeting will be conducted and the ground rules for discussion and called roll for those present. Chair Bridges called the Select Board meeting to order at 5:34 PM, following a meeting of the County Commissioners.

II. SELECT BOARD ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

The agenda was accepted as presented.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Select Board Meeting is Being Audio/Video Recorded.

2. The Select Board is Accepting Applications for Annual Committee Appointments. Information on Seats Available Can be Viewed at <https://www.nantucket-ma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/24245/Select-Board-appointed-Committee-Openings-PDF?bidId=>. The Committee Appointments Timeline Can be Viewed at <https://www.nantucket-ma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/24243/2022-Committee-Vacancies-Appointment-Timeline-PDF?bidId=>. Operations Coordinator Erika Mooney reviewed the committee application process and timeline.

3. Announce Applications Received for Agricultural Commission, Airport Commission, Board of Health, Cannabis Advisory Committee, Capital Program Committee, Cemetery Commission, Coastal Resiliency Advisory Committee, Conservation Commission, Contract Review Committee (Human Services), Council for Human Services, Council on Aging, Cultural Council, Finance Committee. Ms. Mooney read the names of applicants so far, as follows:

Agricultural Commission: no applicants

Airport Commission: Jeanette Topham, incumbent; Walter Flaherty

Board of Health: Ann Smith, Kerry McKenna, Allyson Bold, Richard Ray

Capital Program Committee: Stephen Welch, incumbent

Cemetery Commission: Barbara White, incumbent

Coastal Resiliency Advisory Committee (at-large members): Mary Longacre, incumbent; Sarah Bois, incumbent; Joanne Roche, incumbent; Steven Leinbach

Conservation Commission: Marcia Browne; Maureen Phillips, incumbent; Seth Engelbourg, incumbent; Michael Misurelli; Joseph Plandowski; Burton Balkind; Tim Braine; Jennifer Porter

Contract Review Committee (Human Services): no applicants

Council for Human Services: Jennifer Porter; Tara Restieri, incumbent; Amanda Wright

Council on Aging: Kendra Lockley, incumbent; Arlene O'Reilly; Robert Kucharavy; Alison Forsgren, incumbent; Laura Holden

Cultural Council: Justin Cerne, incumbent; Jordana Fleischut, incumbent; Sarah Ellis, incumbent

Finance Committee: Christopher Glowacki, incumbent; Jill Vieth, incumbent

4. The Select Board is Accepting Applications to Fill a Vacant Planning Board Seat. Applications are Due at Noon on May 27, 2022; Applicant Review of Applications and Joint Appointment by Select Board and Remaining Planning Board Members to be Held June 22, 2022.

5. Memorial Day Parade to be Held Sunday, May 29, 2022 at 1:00 PM, Leaving from American Legion at 21 Washington Street.

6. Town Offices will be Closed Monday, May 30, 2022 in Observance of Memorial Day.

7. Select Board Announcements/Comments. Mr. Fee asked if there is an "official" Select Board representative to the Nantucket Historical Commission. Ms. Mooney said no.

IV. FOLLOW-UP ON COMMENTS FROM PRIOR SELECT BOARD MEETINGS

No follow-up comments.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Housing Director Tucker Holland said that all six towns on Martha's Vineyard have voted in favor of pending Housing Bank legislation. He suggested that the Board consider sending a letter of congratulations to each town and indicate that Nantucket is willing to work with them to move the legislation forward.

Mary Longacre suggested that an orientation packet be developed for new committee members.

VI. PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

1. Monthly COVID Report/Update. Public Health Director Roberto Santamaria reviewed a "significant" local COVID outbreak over the last two weeks and said that wastewater testing this week indicates a downward number of cases. He added that there were no hospitalizations and said this indicates that the vaccine is working. He reviewed vaccination clinic scheduling. He said the next significant spike is likely to be this fall.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND WARRANTS

Mr. Fee moved approval of items VIII 1-2; seconded by Ms. Mohr; so voted 3-0.

1. Approval of Minutes of May 18, 2022 at 5:30 PM.

2. Approval of Treasury Warrants for May 25, 2022.

3. Approval of Pending Contracts for May 25, 2022 - as Set Forth on the Spreadsheet Identified as Exhibit 1, Which Exhibit is Incorporated Herein by Reference.

Ms. Mohr moved approval of pending contracts; seconded by Mr. Fee; so voted 3-0.

IX. CITIZEN/DEPARTMENTAL/COMMITTEE REQUESTS

1. Nantucket Conservation Foundation: Request for Preliminary Review of Conservation Restriction to be Held by Nantucket Land Council, Inc. for Land Located at Smooth Hummocks, Assessor's Map 81, Parcel 56. Nantucket Conservation Foundation President and CEO Cormac Collier reviewed the request and explained the intended transaction which involves conveyance of area property to the Nantucket Land Bank. Mr. Fee moved approval for the item to undergo Town legal review at the expense of NCF; seconded by Ms. Mohr; so voted 3-0.

2. Finance Department: Request to Approve \$7,000,000 Interim Loan and Bond and Related Agreements to be Issued to the Mass. Clean Water Trust (CW-19-32) for Surfside Road Area Sewer Improvements.

Director of Finance Brian Turbitt reviewed the request. Mr. Fee moved approval pursuant to the vote as contained in the Board's agenda packet dated May 25, 2022; seconded by Ms. Mohr; so voted 3-0.

X. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Monthly Town Management Report. It was noted that the Town Manager does not have a report tonight.

Ms. Mooney reviewed an issue with Cannabis Advisory Committee appointments. It was generally agreed that there are no current vacancies as the committee was recently continued for another two years.

Ms. Murphy joined the meeting at 5:57 PM.

XI. SELECT BOARD'S REPORTS/COMMENT

1. Committee Reports. Mr. Fee commented on a "rethinking revenue" article he recently forwarded to Board members. He said he would like the Board to consider using a "cost filter" with respect to revenue increases. Mr. Fee said that a current trend with several restaurant closures is a "canary in the coal mine" indicator which he believes is related to housing and employee retention problems. Mr. Fee said that the Nantucket Historical Commission recently approved a historical tax credit for a property at 5 Surfside Road and said he thinks the Board should discuss this further as a policy issue at some point. Ms. Mohr reported out on an Affordable Housing Trust meeting yesterday and provided an update on current housing-related projects. Chair Bridges clarified when recent taxi rate increases will become effective, which is June 1, 2022. He said that a recent widening at the intersection of Washington and Francis Streets looks great. He noted that next week's Board meeting is somewhat light so if any Board members want particular items on, they should let him know. Mr. Fee asked when short-term rentals will be discussed again, and Chair Bridges said an update is on next week's agenda.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:07 PM, Ms. Mohr moved adjournment; seconded by Mr. Fee; so voted by roll call vote: Chair Bridges – Yes; Mr. Fee – Yes; Ms. Mohr – Yes; Ms. Murphy - Yes.

Approved the 1st day of June 2022.

**SELECT BOARD
MAY 25, 2022 – 5:30 PM
PSF COMMUNITY ROOM, 4 FAIRGROUNDS ROAD
AND REMOTE PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM WEBINAR
NANTUCKET, MASSACHUSETTS**

List of documents used at the meeting:

- III. 2. Committee Appointments Timeline; 2022 Committee Openings Info
- III. 3. List of committee memberships/applicants; Committee Applications
- III. 4. Planning Board vacancy appointment timeline
- III. 5. Memorial Day Parade info
- VIII. 1. Draft minutes of 5/18/2022
- VIII. 3. Pending Contracts spreadsheet
- IX. 1. AIS re: Conservation Restriction (CR) for Smooth Hummocks; CR/PR Policy; Draft CR for Smooth Hummocks; GIS map
- IX. 2. Debt vote