

MINUTES OF TOWN OF BERKLEY SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF 4/17/2019

SELECTMEN IN ATTENDANCE: George F. Miller, Chairman Heather Martin-Sterling, Clerk Wendy F. Cochrane, Member

TOPIC		ACTION
	Meeting Convened at 6:00 pm at Moitoza - Pettey Hearing Room, 1 North Main St.	
Public Hearing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Board reviewed the application for Wakil Khan d/b/a Berkley Farms of 539 Berkley Street for multiple amendments. Cochrane read the ad for the hearing aloud. Mr. Coutinho gave a summary of the application. Miller asked if there were any abutters that wanted to speak. No abutters were present. Board signed the LLA Certificate. 	<p>Motion to open public hearing made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to approve all changes made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to close public hearing made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p>
Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minutes approved for March 28, 2019 – Regular Session - Minutes approved for April 3, 2019 – Regular Session 	<p>Motion to approve made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to approve made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p>
Meeting Mail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Notice from Jeanne Russo regarding Volunteer of the Year Award. Miller thought having a Volunteer of the Year Award would be a great idea. Sterling thought there should be a nomination process since the Board doesn't always know what is going on and who is doing what. Cochrane questioned where the money for the plaque would come from. Miller wanted to continue the conversation at a later time. - Notice from Berkley Cultural Council notice of the 2019 grant award winners. Miller read the award winners. 	<p>Informational – No action taken</p> <p>Motion to file made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p>
Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Request from Berkley Historical Society to place a cabinet to show artifacts from their collection in the Town Hall. Miller liked the idea of a cabinet and he would like it to be initially coordinated with the Town Administrator once a cabinet is found and then it can be presented to the Board. - Review Contract from Covanta Sustainable Solutions for solid waste disposal. Mr. Coutinho stated that Council had made some changes to the contract and Covanta agreed to the changes. 	<p>Motion to file made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to sign contract made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p>

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<p>New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Letter from the Town of Harwich Town Administrator regarding dangerous dog order. The Town of Harwich notified Mr. Coutinho that the owners filed an appeal and Berkley can't do anything at the moment other than keep an eye out. No one is even sure if the dogs are actually at that address. <p>Meeting taken out of order</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - New Business #4 - Review and discuss #2 and #6 Wye Street. Board discussed the options for obtaining the properties located at #2 & #6 Wye Street regarding the MBTA. Board also discussed writing a letter outlining the Town's concerns and needs to be sent to the Mass DOT and MBTA. - Selectmen approved the 2019 Annual Town Meeting Warrant. Board noticed a typographical error to be changed prior to posting/mailling out. - Memorandum of Agreement with the Berkley Rescue Fire Association. - Memorandum of Agreement with the Berkley Clerical Local 272. - Board received a list of eligible homes for noise mitigation from Jean Fox Project Manager South Coast Rail. - Notice from the Finance Advisory Committee regarding recommendation for free cash and department capital requests. Mr. Coutinho spoke as the FAC Chairman and went over the requests with the Board and provided a packet. Miller asked about the Language Arts program listed. Sterling stated that it is a program to get the kids up to par with the rest of the state since they are about 11 years behind. It will bring them up to speed for the next six years. It will also cut about 50k off the school budget for text books. Miller asked about using the free cash to put an LED sign out in front of the Town Hall. Mr. Coutinho suggested that once the Town settles up with the disputes that money could be used instead. Miller stated he would like to allocate funds from free cash. - Miller read aloud the 2019 Election Warrant and the Board signed. 	<p>Motion to file made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to table discussion and to send letter to MBTA & MassDOT made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to approve made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to enter into agreement with the Berkley Fire Rescue Association made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to enter into agreement with Berkley Clerical Local 272 made by Sterling, Miller sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to file made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to file made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p> <p>Motion to sign made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted</p>
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- Common Use Request from the Berkley Firefighters Association for the Annual Firefighter Muster
- Common Use Request from the Berkley Firefighters Association for the Annual All Motor Vehicle Car Show
- Mr. Coutinho noted that the Cable Committee had a meeting the prior week as part of the process to see what Comcast can do as far as local public channels. The following Tuesday will be a meeting with department heads. Negotiations with Comcast is not for what they charge, it is just for public access issues. A letter will be sent out to department heads to invite them to the meeting.

Meeting Adjourn

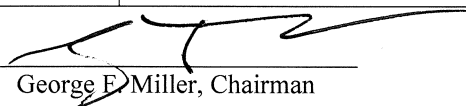
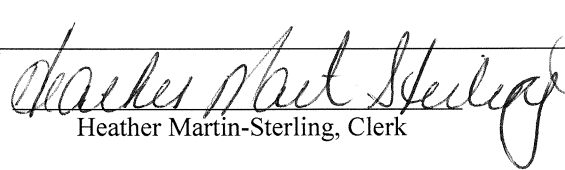
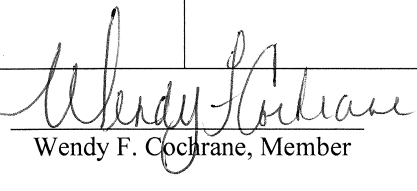
Next Regular Meeting May 1, 2019

Motion to grant permission made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted

Motion to grant permission made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted

Motion to send a letter to various Boards & Departments made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted

Motion to adjourn to executive session to review Town Accountant contract and not to return to regular session made by Cochrane, Sterling sec., Miller third - Voted unanimous


George F. Miller, Chairman
Heather Martin-Sterling, Clerk
Wendy F. Cochrane, Member

Alan G. Coutinho, Town Administrator