MINUTES OF TOWN OF BERKLEY SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF 5/15/2019

SELECTMEN IN ATTENDANCE:

George F. Miller, Chairman

Heather Martin-Sterling, Clerk Wendy F. Cochrane, Member

	ACTION
Meeting Convened at 6:00 pm at Moitoza - Pettey Hearing Room, 1 North Main St.	
- Board appointed George Miller as the Board of Selectmen Chairman and Heather Martin-Sterling as Berkley Board of Selectmen Clerk.	Motion to appoint George Miller as Board of Selectmen Chairman made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted
	Motion to appoint Heather Martin- Sterling as Board of Selectmen Clerk made by Cochrane, Miller sec. – Voted
- Minutes for April 17, 2019 – Regular Session	Motion to approve minutes made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted
- Minutes for May 1, 2019 – Regular Session	Motion to approve minutes made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted
- Notice from Bristol County Agricultural High School for 2019-2020 estimated tuition. Estimated tuition for 10 students \$2,317 per student totaling \$23,170.	Motion to file made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted
- Notice from SRPEDD regarding election of a Selectman to serve on the Southeastern Mass Metropolitan Planning Organization.	Motion to file made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted
- Preliminary discussion with Debra Robbins regarding reinstatement and alteration to expired special permit for 96 Bayview Ave. Robbins stated that it was originally supposed to be for a four family unit. Miller asked for the old plan but they did not have it on hand. There is currently a two family at the location. Robbins is hoping to do them separate. Miller asked if it would be subdivided or a condominium. Robbins replied initially it was condominium. She does not know what direction she should take on the matter. Mr. Coutinho asked if the Zoning Officer sent her to the Board, Robbins replied no. Mr. Coutinho noted that the Special Permit was granted for multifamily homes. Miller suggested that she reach out to the Building Commissioner. Mr. Coutinho also suggested she reach out to the Planning Board.	Informational – No action taken
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New Business	- Request from Veterans Agent to designate a Veteran parking space per §22A ¾ of the 2018 Brave Act. Cochrane noted that she and Mr. Coutinho had spoken with the Veterans Agent and there are stipulations to who can park there. They must have a Veteran plate and/or be a disabled Veteran.	Motion to grant the Veterans Agent to place a Veteran only parking sign made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted
	- Common Use Request Form from the Council on Aging for the 4 th of July celebration.	Motion to allow the Council on Aging to use the Common made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted
	- Common Use Request Form for Memorial Day Ceremony.	Motion to allow Common use made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted
	- Board signed contract with the Town Accountant.	Motion to approve contract with the Town Accountant made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted
Town Administrator's Report	- The bid for the Library repairs have been put out on the Central Register and the Taunton Gazette and a walkthrough scheduled with the Building Inspector next week.	Informational – No action taken
Soil Board	- Miller stated there have been some reports that there is still activity on the property located at 180R Bayview Ave. despite a revocation of permit. Luke Burgoyne of 176 Bayview Ave. spoke up regarding the matter. Monday, May 13 th at 1:30pm he observed Mr. Pontes driving by with his dump truck and entered the property, filled his dump truck with his excavator and left. Burgoyne stated he had taken video with his drone of the incident and will send the links to the Town Administrator. Miller asked if they go to court on the matter would he be willing to testify in court. Burgoyne stated that he would be willing to testify. Miller stated that they have proof of the action so he would like to grant Counsel to move forward with enforcement action.	Motion to grant permission to enter into an enforcement action with Town Counsel regarding property at 180R Bayview Ave as it relates to alleged violations made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. – Voted

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Cochrane, Miller and Sterling spoke regarding the passing of John Jackson and gave their condolences to the Jackson family. They spoke about what a wonderful person John was and an assets to the Town. The Board mentioned that there was talk amongst the residents about naming the area around his properties something along the lines of Jackson Square. The Board would like to discuss options further.

Informational – No action taken

Meeting Adjourn

Next Regular Meeting May 29, 2019

Motion to adjourn made by Cochrane, Sterling sec. - Voted

George F. Miller, Chairman

Heather Martin-Sterling, Clerk

Wendy F. Cochrane, Member

Alan G. Coutinho, Town Administrator