MINUTES OF TOWN OF BERKLEY SELECTMEN'S MEETING OF 7/10/2019

SELECTMEN IN ATTENDANCE: George F. Miller, Chairman Wendy F. Cochrane, Member

| TOPIC | | ACTION |
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| | Meeting Convened at 6:00 pm at Moitoza - Pettey Hearing Room, 1 North Main St. | |
| Minutes | Minutes for June 12, 2019 – Regular Session Minutes for June 26, 2019 – Regular Session | Motion to table minutes for June 12, 2019 and June 26, 2019 made by Cochrane, Miller sec Voted |
| | Meeting taken out of order | |
| Appointments | - Appointments #1 - Meeting with the Planning Board regarding request for funding to redo the Zoning Bylaws. Miller gave his opinion that he thought it would be good to reach out to council about locating a small similar town that recently did their Bylaws and potentially use that as a template. Castellina noted that it likely won't be that easy since we already have our districts and they would have theirs and that it wouldn't be that easy to meld other Bylaws that intertwine with other Bylaws. Leary stated it's a bargain from Bobrowski and that his estimate broke down how many meetings, how many revisions, how many public meetings, etc. Miller stated that he trusts Mark Bobrowski and he probably knows more than anyone about this type of stuff so it might not be a bad idea. Miller noted he has the utmost respect for Bobrowski. Miller asked to put this on the agenda for next time. | Informational – No action taken |
| Meeting Mail | - Letter from Matthew Miller regarding school project. Miller read the letter aloud regarding Matthew Miller's request to see about potentially adding a gas station on the other side of Town. Chairman Miller asked that a reminder be sent to him to draft up a reply. | Motion to file made by Cochrane, Miller sec Voted |
| | - Miller read aloud a copy of the letter from the Historical Commission to Stephanie Pollack Secretary and CEO of MassDOT regarding Southcoast Rail. Miller stated if there is anything that they feel the Board can do to help with the requests in the letter she should let the Board know. | Motion to file made by Cochrane, Miller sec Voted |
| | - The Board reviewed letters from Donna Wentworth and Edward Blandin/Rosemary Porter regarding issues at 15 Mill Street. Mr. Coutinho noted that he met with the Board of Health and a couple Mill St. residents. The BOH is waiting for the engineer reports which will be in shortly. Once reports are in, if there is a need, the BOH will act on it. Miller spoke about the allegation that the individual is operating a business out of their residence illegally and the Building Commissioner is planning to go out and check. Mr. Coutinho stated that the Board is supposed to come back on the 24 th to revisit the matter as stated at the last meeting. A resident asked about ground contamination. Mr. Coutinho explained to the resident that the engineer is there regarding storm water Bylaws and the report will be on water issue not ground contamination. He also noted that the Building | |

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| | Inspector will be addressing the illegal business. Romeo of 11 Mill Street asked if there was any way abutters could be told when meetings are. Miller noted that agendas are online and meetings are every other week. Castellina noted that if he can't get online that outside the Town Hall the agenda is posted on the building. Miller and Castellina discussed Council and Special Permit processes. Blandin commented that Castellina and Miller should not be talking about procedural rules for Special Permits since it wasn't on the agenda and he wasn't allowed to say anything last meeting that was not on the agenda. Miller disagreed. Blandin asked about the ground contamination that was listed in the email and asked if the Board could address that. Miller replied no, that it is a Board of Health issue. Not a Selectmen issue. Cochrane stated they are open to listening to all complaints and thinks they have been fair but the whole Board should be in attendance. Currently Sterling is on vacation. Cochrane sated she did not want to dig into the letters right then. Cochrane asked for their patience in the process and to wait for the other member. Blanding spoke about how he went to the BOH seven months ago as well as came in and spoke to the inspector, yet he never heard back from him. Romeo was concerned about the owner of 15 Mill St. paving his own driveway. Mr. Coutinho stated as a homeowner he is allowed to do certain things like pave the driveway and such. | Motion to table made by Cochrane, Miller sec Voted |
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| | - Memo from Lakeville Animal Control regarding quarantine expenses. The memo read that any mandatory quarantine is at the expense of the Town and not the dog owner. Lakeville will be charging the Town of Berkley for any mandatory quarantines of animals from Berkley. | Motion to file made by Cochrane, Miller sec Voted |
| Old Business | Discussion regarding basketball courts on the Common. Board still had not received the plans as anticipated. | Motion to table made by Cochrane, Miller sec Voted |
| New Business | - Appoint Heather Martin-Sterling to the GATRA Advisory Board | Motion to appoint made by Cochrane, Miller sec Voted |
| | - Contract for Building Commissioner Zoning Enforcement Officer | Motion to approve made by Cochrane, Miller sec Voted |
| | - Contract with the Berkley Fire Rescue Employees Association | Motion to approve made by Cochrane, Miller sec Voted |
| | - Contract with the Berkley Police Department | Motion to approve made by Cochrane, Miller sec Voted |
| Town Administrator's Report | Mr. Coutinho noted that each representative was very helpful in the contract negotiation and it was helpful. There is only one contract still not resolved. | Informational – No action taken |
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| Public Input | - Freitas requested copies of all the contracts recently signed. | Informational – No action taken |
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| | Cochrane stated that Jean Fox Project Manager for Southcoast Rail called her on her way home and there will be a meeting for the noise mitigation in the Council on Aging Room at 6pm on July 17, 2019 but that she had to confirm with the COA first that it would be ok. Cochrane also asked Coutinho if it was okay to ask Faria to set up the chairs on Wednesday before he goes home from his shift. Coutinho replied no problem. | Informational – No action taken |
| | Meeting Adjourn | Motion to adjourn made by Sterling, Miller sec Voted |
| | Next Regular Meeting July 24, 2019 | |
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