# ACUSHNET BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM

## **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2019**

Selectman Gasper motioned to approve the Consent Agenda including the minutes of the Regular Session Selectmen's Meetings of August 6, & August 27, 2019 as presented, Selectman Desroches seconded and all were in favor.

#### MEETING MAIL

Received several letters of resignation: 1) Barbara Dupuis, a beautification member. If anyone is interested in becoming a member, please send a letter of interest to the Board of Selectmen. 2) Received a letter of resignation from Housing Authority elected member, Larry Mulvey. The Board thanked Mr. Mulvey for his service to the Town. If anyone is interested in becoming a member until the April Election please send in a letter of interest to the Housing Authority or BOS. 3) The Board received a letter from Marie Hardy, resigning from a Council on Aging member. The Board also thanked Ms. Hardy for her service to the Town. No votes taken

Received an interest from Ms. Carol Simpkin to the Council on Aging Board for the term to expire May 1, 2021. The Board motioned to appoint Ms. Carol Simpkin to the Council on Aging Board, for the term to expire May 1, 2021. Selectman Desroches motioned to approve, Selectman Gaspar seconded, all in favor.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

The Board approve the transfer of a Package Store, All Alcohol Beverage License from Gonsalves Beverages, DBA Town Liquors, (Manuel Gonsalves, Manager) to Town Wines, Inc., (Antonio Caldera, Manager) w/Pledge of License as presented. Selectman Gaspar motioned to approve, Selectman Desroches seconded and all in favor.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### ECA-SOLAR AGREEMENT APPROVAL/NET METERING POWER PURCHASE

Julie Hebert spoke about the ECA Solar Agreement. Should not be longer than 20 years, had complaints with Town of Canton. As a result facility is smaller than originally planned. Sending updated language, will come back at a later date, no

action taken tonight. Roger will get revised agreement first, before presenting to Board.

# CIVIL SERVICE LETTER (FIRE DEPARTMENT)

At the last Town Meeting it was requested to remove future hires from Civil Service. Civil Service regulation has gone through Legislative issue. Civil Service would go through process status given to veterans and future hires. Looking at qualified veterans first. Selectman Gaspar voted to approve to keep the established veteran's preference for full-time department hiring, Selectman Desroches seconded.

## RESTRICTED MUSIC LICENSE CHANGE TO INCLUDE LIVE MUSIC FOR JT'S PUB

JT's Pub – Requested to change their restricted music to include live acoustic music. The Board approved the change on a 3 month trial basis to the Restricted Music License for JT's Pub to include live acoustic band music as approved by the Police & Fire Chief. Selectman Gaspar motioned to approve no live music after 12:00 a.m., Selectman Desroches seconded, all in favor.

## POLICE CHIEF HIRE PROCEDURE DISCUSSION

It was discussed having questions and interviews regarding the Police Chief Position. Discussions with all BOS members regarding their questions and recommendations in advance with written responses. Proposed questions – send list independently. Answer no longer than 4 pages. Four essays, two-page limit. Submittal deadline – October  $28-31^{\rm st}$  No Votes Taken

#### **VETERANS HOUSING PROJECT**

Julie read the CDAC Grant. The board motioned to support the veterans' housing initiative and sign on to work with the town of Mattapoisett to apply for the CDAC grant. No votes taken, place on next meeting agenda.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## INTERIM-TOWN ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTMENTS

The Board motioned to appoint the Interim-Town Administrator, Julie Hebert as the Parking Clerk & appointment to the Safety Committee for the duration of her term. Selectman Gaspar motioned to approve, Selectman Desroches seconded, all in favor.

## SENIOR PROPERTY TAX DEFERRAL SEWER BETTERMENT APPORTIONMENT

The Board asked to grant Special Assessment Deferrals of accounts (Seniors, 65 & older) for the Sewer Phase II Project. There is one application for deferral. The application has been completed in a timely manner. The application was in order. The Board approved the Assessment Deferral as presented. Selectman Gaspar motioned to approve, Selectman Desroches seconded, all in favor.

ADJOURNED REGULAR SESSION AT 6:30 P.M.

Roger A. Cabral, Chairman

Kevin Gaspar, Sr./

David Desroches Board of Selectmen