

***Wellfleet Selectboard
Virtual Meeting ~ Zoom
Friday April 22, 2022; 1:00pm
Meeting Minutes***

Members Present: Ryan Curley, Chair; Michael DeVasto, Vice Chair; Helen Miranda Wilson, John Wolf

Others Present: Charlie Sumner, Interim Town Administrator; Rebekah Eldridge, Executive Secretary; Harry Terkanian, Housing Authority; Dan Silverman, Town Moderator

Chair Curley called the meeting to order at 1:04pm

I. *Announcements, Open Session and Public Comments*

Note: Public comments must be brief. The Board will not deliberate or vote on any matter raised solely during Announcements & Public Comments.
There were no announcements.

II. *80 State Hwy Pre-Special Town Meeting Planning*

Chair Curley stated the first thing that needed to be discussed was the posting on the Mass Housing partnership with a formal request to ask them to help the town do their due diligence for the campground. Terkanian explained how the partnership would help the town and they would be willing to help Wellfleet with finances and the paperwork for the campground. Wilson spoke to the board and stated that the letter needed to be signed by the board

Chair Curley Moved; Board Member DeVasto Seconded, and it was voted to approve the letter requesting assistant from Mass Housing Partnership on behalf of the Selectboard.

Roll Call Vote: 4-0

Chair Curley moved on and asked the board to authorize him to form a working group for 80 State Highway so that they can pull together quickly and begin working on the campground. DeVasto stated he would like to be a member of that working group. Wilson stated that the board needed to make this decision together as a board. Chair Curley stated he had some names and wanted to ask the people if they would be willing to serve on the working group. Wilson asked if they would be appointed, Chair Curley explained that the members wouldn't be appointed they would be selected by him. Wilson strongly disagreed.

Chair Curley explained his thought process and why he was going about this the way he was. DeVasto questioned if this was outside of the scope of what the housing trust was actually doing. He questioned the charge of the working group. Chair Curley explained the vision for the group, stating that they will be preparing materials for the

public, following up on executing the contract, including deadlines, and working on the financial planning for the campground. Wolf stated he felt time was of the essence with this project, wanting this to move quickly.

Chair Curley Moved, Board Member Wolf Seconded, and it was voted to authorize Chair Curley to form an 80-state highway working group with the members being selected by the chair.

There was discussion if these meetings would be conducted in public or executive session. Wilson shared her concerns and thoughts with this group being formed. She asked Terkanian what his thoughts were on this matter. Terkanian explained his thought process stating some of the information needed to be kept in executive session due to personal information. Wilson advocated that the full board needed to appoint these members. Chair Curley stated that there wasn't enough time to go through a full process or recruiting residents and people of the town. He expressed the need for this to be a speedy process and a week wasn't enough. The board continued the discussion on the working group and the logistics of it. DeVasto asked to add the charge of the working group so that it was clear.

Chair Curley stated the charge of the group would be to develop a financial plan and answer any questions from the finance committee regarding the purchase, oversee and present on the due diligence, develop presentation materials for the public, to address community questions, and to develop recommendations for operating the campground as a business which he stated would go back to a board for approval.

Roll Call Vote: 3-1 (Wilson Voted no)

III. *Adjournment*

Chair Curley Moved; Board Member Wilson seconded; and it was voted to adjourn.

Roll Call Vote: 4-0

Meeting Adjourned at 1:40pm