

TOWN OF EGREMONT, MASSACHUSETTS  
MEETING OF THE SELECT BOARD  
MINUTES

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Date: March 3, 2020  
Time: 5:30pm  
Place: Town Hall  
Egremont

Present at the table were Chairman George McGurn and Vice-Chair Lucinda Fenn-Vermeulen. Board member Mary Brazie was absent.

Others in attendance: Mary McGurn, Eileen Vining, Christine Piper and guest, Ginger Alexander, Mark Holmes, and Stephen Goodman.

It was announced that the meeting is video and audio recorded.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the February 18 and February 25 meeting minutes were adopted with edits.

SCHEDULED ISSUES:

The board conducted a public hearing on the application of Boston Culinary Group, DBA Fall Line Lounge, to alter the premises for which their liquor license at Catamount Ski Area at 17 Nicholson Road covers to include the new lodge and patio areas. There were no abutters present. Christine Piper, Manager at Fall Line Lounge, spoke on behalf of the application. The Board voted unanimously to approve the application.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board wishes Bruce Bernstein to be present at the next meeting to discuss the Working Forces Initiative - Neighborhood Outreach project.

The planners for the 2020 Town Birthday Celebration would like to hold the event at French Park on August 16. August 29 had originally been reserved for the event. Discussion ensued about possibly holding it in June or September, and if the name of the celebration should be change to something along the lines of Egremont Day.

The Board interviewed Ginger Alexander and Mark Holmes for possible appointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals. The Board voted unanimously to appoint Mark Holmes to the Board of Appeals, and suggested that Ginger Alexander might be an alternate.

OLD BUSINESS:

Research has determined that Town Meeting must vote to approve the placement of a Broadband Head End in French Park as it is considered public recreation lands. The proposed placement of the head end does not interfere with the property lines.

The Board interviewed Stephen Goodman for possible appointment to the Bylaw Review Committee. The Board voted unanimously to appointment Mr. Goodman.

Legal Counsel is still waiting for Emerald River LLC to notify him of the location for their retail shop before he moves forward with drafting the host community agreement.

The Board would like to hold a meeting regarding the Pickle Ball Court at French Park, with all parties, after it has the town meeting warrant finalized and Tom Reynolds has returned to work. The Board will ask the proposed location be marked.

FOLLOW UPS/UPDATES:

MassDOT has informed the Board that the 25% design hearing for the reconstruction project on Route 23/41 is April 15 at 7pm at the Egremont Town Hall. No notice has been posted. Board members agreed that officials seem to be listening to the Egremont's concerns.

The first meeting of the School District Planning Committee is scheduled for March 7 at 10am at the Stockbridge Town Hall. This is the very important organization of the Committee, which includes 24 town officials, and at least 2 school officials.

Things are very quiet in regards to the broadband network agreement and action plan with Fiber Connect. Hopefully once winter has ended things will move along.

SELECTBOARD ITEMS:

George would like these two issues added to a future agenda:

1. Affordable Housing project update
2. Abutters notification for hearings

Meeting adjourned at 6:34pm.

Mary Brazie,  
Office Administrator

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