

CONCORD SELECT BOARD
MINUTES
JANUARY 28, 2019

APPROVED: MARCH 18, 2019

Pursuant to notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Concord Select Board was held at 7 p.m. in the Select Board Room at the Town House.

Present were Thomas McKean, Chair; Michael Lawson, Clerk; Alice Kaufman, Jane Hotchkiss and Linda Escobedo. Also in attendance was Christopher Whelan, Town Manager. Mr. McKean called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and announced that it was being broadcast on Minuteman Media Network.

CONSENT AGENDA

- Town Accountant Warrants
- Gift Acceptance
 - Noon Year's Eve Silent Auction (multiple donors) \$5,580 Carousel Preschool Scholarship Fund
- One Day Special Licenses
 - Francie Crowley 2/23 6 pm- 10pm 40 Westford Road Wine & Malt
 - Concord Children's Center 3/30 6pm-11pm 54 Walden Street Wine & Malt

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the Board UNANIMOUSLY
VOTED: To approve the consent agenda.

REVIEW & APPROVE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

None

TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT

- Concord Public Works has received a grant from MassDOT for the Complete Streets Policy
- The Town Meeting Warrant is at the printer and should be mailed within the next few days.
- An affordable housing roundtable discussion is scheduled for February 7 with various community housing groups.
- The Concord Police have announced that Text 911 is now in service.

CHAIR'S REPORT

None.

REVIEW & APPROVE WHITE POND CONSERVATION RESTRICTION

Delia Kaye, Natural Resources Director, appeared before the Board and presented the proposed White Pond Conservation Restriction over two parcels off Plainfield Road and Powder Mill Road. Also present was Attorney Tom Falwell, Joan Ferguson of the Concord Land Conservation Trust, and Karl Kussin of the White Pond Associates. At the recent Special Town Meeting, voters accepted the gift of 18+/- acres from the White Pond Associates. Director Kaye reviewed the history of the land. The purpose of the Conservation Restriction is to assure that the premises will be retained, in perpetuity, for conservation, open space, and agricultural purposes and to prevent any use of the Premises that will significantly impair or interfere with the conservation values. The Natural Resources Commission has recommended the Board's approval of the Conservation Restriction

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the Board UNANIMOUSLY:

VOTED: To approve Move to approve a Conservation Restriction over 10.98 acres of land at 2B Powder Mill Road and 90Y Plainfield Road (portions of Assessor's Parcel Numbers 3269 and 3271) from the White Pond Associates, Inc., granted on January 9th, 2019, and accepted by the Concord Land Conservation Trust on January 7th, 2019 pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Sections 31 through 33 of Chapter 184.

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AMEND TOWN MANAGER SEARCH COMMITTEE CHARGE

Mr. McKean advised that the membership section of the Town Manager Search Committee (TMSC) charge needed to be updated. The current charge calls for two members of the Select Board to serve on the TMSC; and Mr. Lawson and Ms. Kaufman have filled those two spots. However, Ms. Kaufman's term on the Select Board will expire shortly before the TMSC makes its final selection in spring 2019. The proposed revision would add "In the event that a Select Board member's term expires before a final selection is made, that member will become ex-officio to the Committee with full voting rights". Board members had no issues with the proposed amendment.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board UNANIMOUSLY

VOTED: To amend the Town Manager's Search Committee charge as drafted.

TOWN MANAGER SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

Mr. Lawson reviewed the ongoing work of the TMSC. The consulting firm hired to assist with the process, MRI, Inc., has been actively working with the Committee. He briefly discussed the application process and reviewed a general outline of the selection process schedule. Mr. Lawson reviewed the upcoming schedule for the TMSC. Mr. Lawson asked if Board members were available on April 27 for a Board meeting to conduct the public interviews of the candidates. It was mentioned that notice of the job was placed in various regional publications.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Ms. Escobedo summarized the recent Recreation Commission meeting. The Beede Center was a topic of discussion. Recreation will be hosting a variety of events in the near future.

Mr. McKean discussed the latest School Committee meeting. Topics include the new School Resource Officer position, and parking issues, and the Middle School.

Ms. Hotchkiss reviewed the ongoing work of the PEG Access Advisory Meeting and the Natural Resources Commission.

Ms. Kaufman noted that the school building project for Minuteman High School remains on budget and on time. She attended the Planning Board meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS/CORRESPONDENCE

None.

COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

None.

COMMITTEE REAPPOINTMENTS

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the Board UNANIMOUSLY:

VOTED: To reappoint Karen Currie of 247 Laws Brook Road #305 to the West Concord Advisory Committee for a term to expire May 31, 2021

ADJOURN TO TOWN CAUCUS FOR 7:30 P.M.

At 7:25 p.m. upon a motion duly made and seconded the Board UNANIMOUSLY

VOTED: to adjourn the meeting for the evening.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Lawson, Clerk