MEETING DATE: MONDAY, MARCH 28, 2021
7:00 P.M.

MEETING PLACE: HYBRID MEETING:
TOWN CAMPUS ROOM A & ZOOM ONLINE MEETING

BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MINUTES

7:00 p.m. Regular Session

First Selectwoman Lyons called the Regular Session of Monday, March 28, 2022 to order at 7:03 p.m. Also in attendance were Selectman Goldberg, Selectwoman Kokoruda (via Zoom), Selectman Murphy, and Selectman Wilson.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
   First Selectwoman Lyons led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of minutes – March 8, 2022, March 17, 2022 Special

   MOVED by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectman Murphy to approve Minutes of March 8, 2022, and the March 17, 2022 Special meeting.

   VOTE: this motion was approved with five votes in favor of the Minutes of February 28th; and four votes in favor and one abstention from First Selectwoman Lyons of the Minutes of March 17, 2022.

3. First Selectwoman’s Updates.

   First Selectwoman Lyons provided an update which is attached to these minutes.

4. Liaison Reports / Selectmen Comments.

   Scott Murphy  Youth & Family Svcs. Board
   Al Goldberg  Ad Hoc Affordable Housing Committee
   Bruce Wilson  Budget Cycle
   Noreen Kokorda  Academy state bond funding, ARP Funding Committee, Senior Commission/Senior Center, State beach access Bill

5. Citizen Comments.

   A resident of 145 Middle Beach Rd concerned about short-term rentals in Madison and how these types of unregulated rental threaten the character of Madison.

   Paul Wertheim of Wood Avenue stated that he had moved from New York during Covid; he echoed comments regarding short-term rentals and cautioned that there may be “abuse” of this type of usage.
A Resident voiced concerns about short term rentals and stated that a minimum stay should be instituted; she suggested 30 days minimum stay.

A Resident stated that she wasn’t aware of the short term rental issue but that she heard from another resident that an Air BnB renter went to the wrong address at midnight and disturbed a neighbor.

Nancy Rapoport stated that regulations for short term rentals are necessary and that other towns limit the number of renters based on size of the home and this and other regulations should be considered. Also, she stated that there are concerns about vehicle traffic from renters as well.

6. Discuss status of Firemen’s Pension.

The Town’s benefit advisor provided an overview of the plan; there have been no adjustments to the benefit since the 1990’s. The plan presented was the recommendation of the Pension Committee and the Board noted that the needed to balance budget implications with needed benefits for the volunteer fire departments. The Board also reviewed that these expenses cannot be funded through ARP funding.

7. Discuss and take action to approve a tax fixing agreement between the Town of Madison and OLMP Real Estate Holding.

This item was tabled. The Board reviewed that they take action on this item at the future special meeting to be held before April 8th.

8. Update on Beach & Recreation preparations for Summer 2022 season.

Director Austin Hall provided an overview which is attached to these minutes. He detailed the timing for beach passes and staffing. Passes will be needed on the weekend from May 28th through June 20th. After that date, beach passes will be needed 7 days per week. After Friday July 3rd, and for the remainder of the holiday weekend, no passes will be sold at the beach; they will be sold at the Chamber of Commerce building. First Selectwoman Lyons also stated that the Town will be moving the Beach & Rec staff currently at Town Campus to the Surf Club Building, centralizing their operations to one building/location.

9. Discuss and take action to approve hiring Kevin Johnson to the position of Assessment Technician II located within the Assessor’s Office. The position is non-union. Rate of pay is Grade 6, Step 4 - $29.02 per hour. The position is budgeted, not requiring an appropriation of funds. This position vacancy was created by a resignation.

MOVED by Selectman Murphy and seconded by Selectman Wilson to approve hiring Kevin Johnson to the position of Assessment Technician II located within the Assessor’s Office.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.
10. Discuss and take action to approve awarding the contract for the Police Department Locker Room Flooring Installation and Painting Project to Sullivan & Son Carpet for flooring, and to Arthur Conroy, LLC for painting.

MOVED by Selectman Murphy and seconded by Selectman Wilson to approve awarding the contract for the Police Department Locker Room Flooring Installation and Painting Project to Sullivan & Son Carpet for flooring, and to Arthur Conroy, LLC for painting.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

11. Discuss and take action to approve Line Item Transfer requests from the Public Works Department totaling $15,000.

MOVED by Selectman Murphy and seconded by Selectman Wilson to approve a Line Item Transfer requests from the Public Works Department totaling $15,000.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

12. Discuss and take action to approve the Charge of the Ad Hoc Academy Community Center Building Committee.

The Board members expressed their concerns about the Charge and items that may need clarification. The Board reviewed that they will take action on this item at the future special meeting to be held before April 8th.

13. Discuss and take action to approve the Charge of the Ad-Hoc Academy Advisory Committee.

The Board members expressed their concerns about the Charge and items that may need clarification. The Board reviewed that they will take action on this item at the future special meeting to be held before April 8th.

14. Discuss process for review of applicants for New Elementary School and Academy related committees.

First Selectwoman Lyons provided an overview of the application process to-date; and also provided an overview of how the committee members would be interviewed and selected.

15. Appointments / Resignations:

Lauren LaPorta from the Youth & Family Services Committee.

MOVED by Selectman Wilson and seconded by Selectman Murphy to approve the resignation of Lauren LaPorta from the Youth & Family Services Committee; with thanks from the Board.

VOTE: this motion was approved unanimously.

    **MOVED** by Selectman Murphy and seconded by Selectman Wilson to approve Tax Abatements / Refunds in the amount of $4,883.17.

    **VOTE:** this motion was approved unanimously.

17. Citizen Comments.

    None.

18. Adjournment.

    There being no objection the Board adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

    Respectfully submitted,

    Lauren Rhines  
    Town Coordinator / Risk Manager

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2022 Beach Season Update

1. Hiring is underway. Many of the 2021 staff are coming back. It’s great to have returning staff and new staff to ensure continuity in future years.

2. Opening Dates
   a. Saturday, May 28th beach stickers will be required to park at all beaches on weekends.
   b. Last day of school is Friday, June 17th. Monday, June 20th beach stickers will be required to park at all beaches 7 days a week.
   c. Surf Club and East Wharf will have gate guards from 8am-5pm. West Wharf will have gate guards from 8am-8pm.
   d. Lifeguards will be at Surf Club and East Wharf on weekends starting on May 28th. And then 7 days a week beginning on June 20th.
   e. Memorial Day weekend is May 28, 29, 30
   f. July 4th weekend will run as we did last year. No pass sales will take place after Friday, July 1st at 12noon for the remainder holiday weekend
   g. Concert on the Green is Saturday, July 2nd
   h. Fireworks Sunday, July 3rd. Staff will be stationed at the corner of West and Surf Club Road. No one will be allowed down Surf Club Rd. without a beach sticker.
   i. Parade is Monday, July 4th
   j. Labor Day is Monday, September 5th
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First Selectwoman’s Update

• Last week the Board of Finance voted to move forward a proposed $91 million Total Budget for the Fiscal year ending June 30, 2023
  • Public hearing schedule for April 25th
  • Referendum scheduled for Tuesday, May 17th
• Town anticipates being awarded $4 million from the State Bonding Commission for the Academy Project
• Town working on moving forward referendum approved projects to next stages of process
## Update on Referendum Projects

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| • RFP launched for Owners Representative. Interviews scheduled for early April. Appointed late April 2022.  
• Brown & Polson projects added as amendment to Owners Rep RFP  
• Building Committee Applications close 4/1. Interviews scheduled for early April with appointment at 4/12 BOS meeting  
• RFQ for architectural services being drafted  
• Targeted closing date for Janssen purchase in early April  
• Apply for school construction grant June 2022 | • Town expected to receive $4 million in state bonding funds for Academy Project  
• Building Committee and Advisory Committee to be finalized today  
• Applications for both committees accepted through mid-April, seated early May  
• Identify other grant funding opportunities and develop application materials  
• Exploring possible fund raising vehicles for project add-on amenities, naming opportunities  
• Finalize bond funding timeline | • Finalize Tax Fixing Agreement. BOS to approve  
• Approval needed by P&Z to amend a Special Exception permit for portable structures. P&Z review scheduled for April  
• Targeted closing date in April 2022 |
Next Steps

- Elementary Building Committee:
  - Application Deadline: 4/1/22
  - Potential to start interviews now
  - Interview committee: Bruce Wilson and Scott Murphy, One BOE member, Staff member Bill McMinn
  - Goal to appoint at 4/12 BOS meeting

- Academy Committees:
  - Need to set application deadlines – parallel or sequential
  - Need to select interview panels for both committees
  - Goal to appoint building committee at 5/10 BOS meeting