

Town of Bellingham

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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April 9, 2021

The Selectboard meeting was called to order remotely at 12:30 PM by Chairman Michael Connor using Zoom Technology. All members were participating in the meeting. Also actively participating in the meeting was Town Administrator Denis Fraine and Administrative Assistant Hilarie Allie. The remote meeting was being monitored by Jim Kupfer, Town Planner and Zoning Officer. It was determined by Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place that no in-person attendance of the public would be permitted at this meeting. This meeting was accessible to the public via the Zoom online option.

On a McNulty/Martinis motion, the Board unanimously voted 5-0 to approve the requested refinance loan for 70 Moody Street at a fixed rate and the principal loan amount not to exceed \$206,500.

On a McNulty/Martinis motion, the Board unanimously voted 5-0 to approve a Common Victualler License for Bellingham Youth Baseball, April 24th – October 31st, fees waived.

On a Martinis/Spencer motion, the Board unanimously voted 5-0 that the Joinder presented at this meeting be approved and signed by the Board.

Other Business - Overview of Meehan Project

Mr. Connor stated he accompanied Mr. Meehan and 30 or so abutting residents at an informational meeting Thursday evening and by the end of the night Mr. Meehan packed up his things and stated he would not be building anything on the properties but instead would be selling them. That next morning Mr. Connor received a call from Mr. Meehan, and he stated before he sold the properties he would like to donate any land easements the Town would need in order to widen the road. He asked that the Town consult with their Town Counsel and then reach out to him regarding the legal steps that need to take place in order to make this to happen. Mr. Connor asked Mr. Kupfer to go forward with this process and then reach out to the Meehan group to discuss. Mr. Spencer asked what would happen if the lots were sold prior to the Town doing anything with the donated easements. Mr. Fraine stated the easements would be permanently shown on the deeds of each of the properties. Mr. Connor stated he had explained to the residents at the Thursday meeting that the reason the Board had been involved at all is that they had been in touch with Mr. Meehan prior to this to inquire about cleaning up the properties.

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On a Spencer/Grant motion, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Hilarie J. Allie

Administrative Assistant