

**Williamsburg Board of Selectmen
Friday, September 13, 2019, 2:30 p.m.
Town Offices, Room 201
141 Main Street, Haydenville, MA**

Minutes

The members of the Board of Selectmen met in special session on Friday, September 13, 2019 at 2:30 p.m.

Present: Denise Banister and David Mathers

Absent: William Sayre

Also present: John Lucey, Cappie Morin, Bob Cayo, and Charlene Nardi (Town Administrator)

Brewmasters:

Noise Complaint: The Board received a noise complaint about the outside live entertainment at the Brewmasters. A Board member and Town Administrator had also noticed how loud it was on a Thursday evening traveling through town on Rte. 9. The complaint came from someone living behind Brewmasters on Petticoat Hill Road. Members stated that the volume needed to be controlled and monitored. Two people on site should be able to hear one another and have a conversation without screaming; if they can't, that is an indication it is too loud. John Lucey, owner, stated he had not been at the events the past two weeks but he will definitely monitor it and it will be lowered. He will also walk out on the sidewalk to test how loud it is. The Board stated that if the volume wasn't controlled, future permits would not be issued. John Lucey noted that the hours were reduced and earlier in the day.

Live Entertainment Permits for September: The Board voted (DM, DB) unanimously to authorize live entertainment permits for karaoke on Tuesdays, September 17 & 24 from 6 to 10 p.m., for music on Thursdays, September 19 & 26 from 5 to 8 p.m., on Fridays, September 13, 20 & 27 from 6 to 10 p.m. and Saturday, September 14 from 2 to 6 p.m.

MVP (Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness) Grant:

The Town is contracting with Dodson and Flinker to coordinate the MVP plan under the \$20,000 grant award. The Board voted (DM, DB) unanimously to authorize the Chair to sign the contract between the Town and Dodson and Flinker in the amount of \$20,000 for the work under the grant program.

Green Communities Advisory Council:

The Board supported the Town Administrator joining as a member of the Green Communities Advisory Council to represent small towns. It is understood that her work on council and attending meetings would be during her normal work hours.

Backhoe:

Board of Health is purchasing a backhoe for the Transfer Station. Rusty Luce and another employee will get their hoisting licenses to operate it.

Residential Sump Pumps:

Board of Selectmen confirmed support of Water and Sewer Commission's decision not to have residential sump pumps connected to the town drainage system.

Mountain Street:

Mountain Street will be closed for a week so the City of Northampton can cut down and remove dead trees along the reservoir. There will be signs up a week in advance notifying travelers of the closure. The Board recommended asking the Chief of Police about the need for a police detail.

Town Flag:

Board will review where they want the flag to hang in the Town Offices.

Drug Bust:

The Williamsburg Police Department brought in 2,500 bags of heroin from a stop in Williamsburg. That is a huge amount of heroin to take off the street. Chief Wickland, as reported by the Town Administrator, is incredibly proud of Officers Pinkham and Reinke for their professional handling of the stop, confiscation of drugs, and arrests. Kudos to the Department. The Board will send a letter of congratulations and thanks for the Department's continuous work and protection of the Williamsburg residents.

Warrant: Approved and signed the warrants: payroll warrant WP20-07 for \$83,594.55, and expense warrant W20-07 for \$110,685.70, payable 9/18/19.

Adjourned: 3:15 p.m.

Approved:

Clerk