

Mount Holly Special Select Board Meeting
June 29, 2020
Minutes

Zoom Meeting: 402 092 2478

Present: Select Board: Jeff Chase, Jennifer Matthews, Mark Turco
Town Officials: Lori Norton, Clinton Woolley
Members of the Public: none in attendance

1. **Call to Order** by Mark Turco at 6:30 pm.

2. **Changes and/or additions to the agenda** – Mr. Turco asked to add a petition he had received. Jennifer Matthews asked to add the Belmont Store liquor license. It was agreed to add both items.

3. **Junk Ordinance Enforcement** –Ms. Matthews explained she had received a couple of phone calls with complaints about junk accumulating in neighbors' yards. Both callers expressed concerns about retaliation. For Mount Holly community members to be reluctant to bring legitimate concerns to the Select Board for fear of retaliation by others in town is both a concerning and unacceptable situation, Ms. Matthews stated. Both Mr. Turco and Jeff Chase agreed. The junk ordinance was discussed. Ms. Matthews will contact Constable Paul Faenza about the Judicial Bureau enforcement officer role.

Mr. Turco made a motion to approve the liquor license for the Belmont Store, seconded by Ms. Matthews, unanimously approved.

Mr. Turco explained a petition had been stuck to his front door. The petition requested that the Select Board return to in-person meetings. Ms. Matthews reviewed the latest health & safety requirements from the State which limits attendance to a maximum of 75 people or 50% of the fire safety number or one person per 100 square feet, all with 6' social distancing necessary. Discussion ensued about a space in town which could meet those requirements; only the school gym would do so. Mr. Chase will contact the school. No decision made.

Clinton Woolley said he had installed 100' of fencing along the nature trail.

4. **Executive Session: Title 1 V.S.A. S 313(a)(3) – personnel** –Ms. Matthews made a motion to enter executive session to discuss several personnel matters at 6:49 pm, seconded by Mr. Chase, unanimously approved. Motion to exit executive session at 7:47 pm was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mr. Turco, unanimously approved. The Select Board will write a warning letter and meet with an employee to discuss complaints received.

5. **Adjourn** – at 7:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Jennifer Matthews

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