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## TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

### SELECTBOARD'S SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

MONDAY, JULY 16, 2018

6:00 PM - EXECUTIVE SESSION

### REGULAR SESSION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

TOWN HALL, 334 MAIN STREET

### ORDER OF AGENDA

6:00 PM - OPEN MEETING

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

6:00 PM Open Session

6:00 PM Conference Room

Executive Session, under MGL c.30A, §21(a)(3) and (6), to discuss litigation strategy relating to pending litigation known as (1) Belanger v. Zoning Board of Appeals, Berkshire Superior Court, C.A. No. 1876CV00134 and (2) GJO, LLC v. Zoning Board of Appeals, et al., Land Court Docket No. 2018MISC000240 and to discuss the potential purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property relating to land known as 11 Roger Road, if the Chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the Town's litigating and negotiating position. A vote regarding whether to go into executive session is expected; and votes may occur during the executive session.

#### Chair's Declaration:

I declare, under G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(3) and (6), that the purpose of the executive session will be to discuss litigation strategy regarding pending litigation concerning 11 Roger Road known as: (1) Belanger v. Zoning Board of Appeals, Berkshire Superior Court, C.A. No. 1876CV00134 and (2) GJO, LLC v. Zoning Board of Appeals, et al., Land Court Docket No. 18MISC000240 and to discuss the potential purchase, exchange, lease of value of real property known as 11 Roger Road because discussion of the foregoing in open session could have a detrimental effect on the litigating and negotiating position of the Town and other public agencies, with the Board to **Return To Open Session** at the conclusion of the executive session.

#### Motion Convening the Executive Session:

Present:

Steve Bannon  
Ed Abrahams  
Bill Cooke  
Kate Burke  
Dan Bailey

Jennifer Tabakin - Present

6PM - meeting called to order

motion to go to Exec Session  
by Ed Abrahams - 2nd → Cooke

Unanimous PC 6:03 PM

I move that the Select Board go into executive session, under G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(3) and (6) for the purposes and reasons declared by the Chair and with the Board to **Return To Open Session** at the conclusion of the Executive Session.

Roll Call Vote: Unanimous 6:46 PM Motion to Return: Ed Abrahams  
2nd: Baillly  
RC - Unanimous

**- RETURN TO OPEN MEETING**

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

May 2, 2018 SB and Fin Com Joint Meeting Motion: Abrahams  
2nd: Baillly  
RC: Unanimous

**3. SELECTBOARD'S ANNOUNCEMENTS/STATEMENTS:**

A. General Comments by the Board. Burke commented on Housatonic Water and its cleanliness.

**4. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:**

A. Department Updates.

Appalachian Trail Celebration upcoming and new Review Plan to be reviewed by staff picked by TM.

B. Project Updates  
- Airbnb Legislation  
- Gas Tax

**5. LICENSES OR PERMITS:**

A. Lauren Smith/Fairview Hospital for permission to use the Town Hall parking lot for Fairview Hospital Gala on Saturday, September 22, 2018 starting at 11:00 am.  
(Discussion/Vote) Motion: Abrahams RC: Unanimous

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

A. SB - Review and Discuss SB's Warrant Articles for the August 6, 2018 Special Town Meeting

- To Appropriate Additional CPA Funds for Town Hall Roof/Chimneys.  
(Discussion/Vote) Motion to approve for an additional \$25,000 for roof repair  
Abrahams, 2nd: Baillly - Unanimous
- To Appropriate Additional Funds to finish the Transfer Station Garage.  
(Discussion/Vote) Motion to add \$65,000 to finish: Abrahams  
2nd: Baillly Vote: Unanimous
- Warrant Article(s) pertaining to 11 Roger Road. (Discussion/Vote)  
Article to be posted Motion: Abrahams Baillly 2nd - Vote: Unanimous

Motion to accept  
petition of 10  
signatures by Thurs  
- noon: Burke  
nd: Cooke  
motion withdrawn

→ Citizen Petitions for Special Town Meeting. (Discussion/Vote)  
Motion to accept beginning Tuesday, 17 July through Thurs. 14 July: Abrahams  
2nd: Withdrawn  
Vote:

B. SB - Review of Selectboard's Policies and Procedures. (Discussion/Vote)  
Tabled for next meeting.

C. SB - Economic Development Committee Formation. (Discussion)  
Motion to Charge TM for formation by first meeting in August - on agenda on Aug. 13th

D. SB - Letters of Support for Mass Development "Collaborative Workspace Program" for  
- Greyhouse Partners Inc. for the Housatonic School, 207 Pleasant Street, Housatonic - Motion: Abrahams  
- Studio for Integrated Craft for 430 Park Street, Housatonic - 2nd: Baillly  
- Berkshire Community College for 343 Main Street, GB - Vote: Unanimous  
Motion: Abrahams 2nd: Baillly Vote: Unanimous

Diego Gutierrez  
motion: Abrahams  
nd: Baillly  
Vote: Unanimous

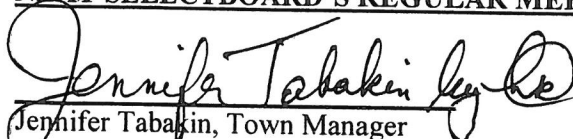
E. SB - Applications for Retail Marijuana. (Discussion/Vote) Motion: Abrahams  
- Highminded LLC 2nd: Baillly  
- Commonwealth Cultivation Inc. RC: Unanimous

**7. CITIZEN SPEAK TIME:**

Jenny Clark from 6B.  
Michael Abdelman from Blue Hill Rd.  
Motion: Abrahams  
2nd: Baillly  
RC: Unanimous 4-1

8. SELECTBOARD'S TIME: Burke - maybe 2 Town meetings per year?  
Bailey - Very impressed by Grant applicants
9. MEDIA TIME: Eileen - Lake Mansfield question on updates / Host agreement applications? 4  
Bellow - Firehouse update?
10. ADJOURNMENT: Motion: Abrahams 2nd: Bailey Vote: 5-0

NEXT SELECTBOARD'S REGULAR MEETING: Monday, July 23, 2018, 7:00 P.M.

  
Jennifer Tabakin, Town Manager

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