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DUXBURY, MASS.

Date: November 8, 2021 (*Special Town Meeting*)

Date Minutes Approved: 11/15/21

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Present: Amy MacNab, Chair; Fernando Guitart, Vice-Chair; Michael McGee; Cynthia Ladd Fiorini and Theodore Flynn.

Absent: None

Staff: René J. Read, Town Manager; John Q. Adams, Finance Director; Nancy O'Connor, Executive Assistant; and Michelle Seda-Stotts, Administrative Assistant

Other: Jeff Blake, Esq., KP Law (Town Counsel); Jeanie Horne, HR Director; and Joe Grady, Conservation Administrator

CONVENED IN OPEN SESSION –

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Duxbury Schools Performing Arts Center (cafeteria) located at 73 Alden Street, Duxbury.

Discussion regarding usage of the Millennium Green for Tree Lighting on 11/28/21:

All were happy to hear that the Annual Tree Lighting was taking place. It was noted that the Holly Days event was on a different day.

Ms. Ladd Fiorini moved that **Ms. Erika Dadsetan-Foley**, as a representative of the **Duxbury Rotary Club**, is granted an event permit for the Annual Tree Lighting and Celebration, to be held on the Millennium Town Green on Sunday, November 28, 2021 from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Seconded by Mr. Flynn Vote: 5:0:0

Discussion regarding Event Permit approval for Holly Days on 12/05/21:

Ms. Ladd Fiorini moved that **Ms. Christine Sapra**, as Holly Days Chairman for the **Duxbury Newcomer's Club**, is granted an Event Permit for the Holly Days Celebration, to be held on Sunday, December 5, 2021 from Noon to 4:00 PM

Seconded by Mr. Flynn Vote: 5:0:0

Discussion pertaining to land donation of Salt Marsh off Gurnet Road owned by Ed Pallis and Karen Wilson– Presented by Joe Grady

Mr. Grady began the presentation by saying Mr. Edward Pallis and Karen Wilson are gifting the following two parcels of land for conservation and open space purposes:

Parcel #138-013-001 (± 1.8 acres); and Parcel #138-013-004 (± .78 acres) on/off Gurnet Road.

Mr. Grady is requesting the Board of Selectmen vote to accept this gift of land, and also to instruct Town Counsel to proceed with the process of transferring the property to the care and custody of the Conservation Commission.

Ms. Ladd Fiorini moved that the Board of Selectmen execute an Approval of Deed for the two gifted parcels: known as 0 Gurnet Road, Parcel #138-013-001(± 1.8 acres); and Parcel #138-013-004 (± .78 acres); and approve the acceptance by the Conservation Commission of the deed from Edward Pallis and Karen Wilson for conservation and open space purposes.

Seconded by Mr. Guitart Vote: 5:0:0

Discussion pertaining to proposed health insurance rates-presented by Jeanie Horne

Ms. Horne began by reading her memo to the Selectmen:

Rates for BCBS Retiree Medicare Supplemental Plans; Medex II and Managed Blue for Seniors

The Insurance Committee recommends that Board of Selectmen leave the Blue Cross Blue Shield Retiree Medicare Supplemental Plan, Medex II rate unchanged for the January – December 2022 plan year, based on our positive claims and cost experience which are self-funded.

The rate for Blue Cross Blue Shield Retiree Medicare Supplemental Plan, Managed Blue for Seniors, is determined by Blue Cross Blue Shield as it is a book rated, premium only plan. While there is no enrollment in this plan, the rate must be accurately reflected. As such, the total monthly rate for the January – December 2022 plan year will increase by 3.4%, increasing the rate from 326.81 to \$336.35.

Both plans include prescription drug coverage via Blue Medicare Rx which is also a Blue Cross Blue Shield book rated, premium only plan.

Attached for your review and approval is the updated insurance rate sheet. Once approved, this information will be distributed to all benefit eligible retirees, during our annual enrollment period which ends November 30 along with related benefit education for all retirees, spouses, and surviving spouses.

Note: There are no other insurance rate changes at this time.

Ms. Ladd Fiorini moved that the Board of Selectmen accept the proposed Blue Cross Blue Shield Retiree Medicare Supplemental Plans; Medex II and Managed Blue for Seniors rates as presented.

Seconded by Mr. Flynn Vote: 5:0:0

At approximately 6:35pm, the Board recessed until the start of the Special Town Meeting at 7pm, and then will reconvene, recess, and adjourn in conjunction with the Special Town Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

At approximately 9:15PM, the Board adjourned in conjunction with the Special Town Meeting.

Minutes submitted by Michelle Seda-Stotts

List of documents

1. *Meeting Agenda*
2. *11/28/21 Event Permit*
3. *12/05/21 Event Permit*
4. *Deed approval for two parcels of land gifted to the Town of Duxbury*
5. *Memo from Jeanie Horne re: BCBS Retiree Medicare Supplemental Plans*
6. *STM Announcement*
7. *STM Warrant*
8. *STM Motions*