

Minutes
Easton Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting October 6, 2022
7:30 PM
Town Hall Conference Room A (In-Person)
And
Virtually via Zoom

David Bindelglass called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. Present: David Bindelglass, Robert Lessler, Kristi Sogofsky

- 1. Robert Lessler moved to approve the minutes of the Board of Selectmen meeting, September 15, 2022, as amended. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 2. During public comment, a resident requested that the town meeting and referendum not be scheduled close to Thanksgiving. She requested an update on EVS, well testing and the condition of the South Park property (NEPC) per the Building Official's assessment.
- Kristi Sogofsky moved to approve the following tax refunds as recommended by Krista Kot, Tax Collector. 1. TOYOTA LEAST TRUST-\$719.73. 2. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST-\$591.26. 3. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST-\$423.36. 4. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST-\$415.54. 5. TOYOTA LEASE TRUST-\$226.72. 6. VCFS AUTO LEASING CO-\$398.13. Robert Lessler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 4. David Bindelglass provided an update on the EVS property stating that DEEP has not yet sent us the follow up report. The digging of monitoring wells has begun. The Town requested well testing for the Fire Department and EMS and we are awaiting the final reports from the Aspetuck Health Department.
- 5. Robert Lessler reviewed the changes to the Board of Ethics Ordinance. Vivian Hardison, co-chair of the Board of Ethics shared changes and said that Section 52-12 Item 6 will be discussed at the next Board of Ethics meeting. Based on the outcome of their review, updates will be forwarded to the Board of Selectmen for approval to add to the Town meeting agenda.
- 6. David Bindelglass shared that the Town was awarded a STEAP reimburseable grant in the amount of \$244,000 for Pickleball and Tennis courts. The courts at Helen Keller Middle School will be resurfaced and lines added for pickleball use. Once the approval packet and requirements are received, it will then be presented to the Board of Finance and brought to a Town Meeting.

- 6a. Kristi Sogofsky moved to add the discussion and possible action on award of bid to Garrity Asphalt Reclaiming, Inc. as the primary contractor and A&J Construction as the secondary for milling/reclaiming various roads as recommended by Edward Nagy P.E., Director of Public Works. Robert Lessler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- Robert Lessler moved to approve the the award of bid to Garrity Asphalt Reclaiming, Inc. as the primary contractor and A&J Construction as the secondary for milling/reclaiming various roads as recommended by Edward Nagy P.E., Director of Public Works. Kristi Sogofsky seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Since a resident requested that the date for the Town Meeting and Referrendum not be scheduled close to Thanksgiving, December dates will be explored and discussed at the next Board of Selectmen meeting.
- 8. Kristi Sogofsky moved to appoint Jessica DiPietro as an alternate to the Commission for Aging for the term 10/6/22-1/2/25. Robert Lessler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- 9. During public comment, a resident asked if the Town Attorney reviewed the Board of Ethics Ordinance and if the video is available on-line. She also suggested that the STEAP reimburseable grant be added to the agenda for the upcoming Town Meeting. Lastly, she requested an update on the NEPC lease and the Building Official's assessment of the property.
- 10. David Bindelglass provided an update on the NEPC lease and property during Board comment. The attorneys and the Blazes will schedule a meeting to finalize the lease. The Building Official reported that the barn roof has damage that would cost approximately \$11,000 to fix and the cottage has a huge drainage problem that would be very costly to reconstruct. Robert Lessler does not believe that the Town Attorney reviewed the Board of Ethics Ordinance.
- 11. David Bindelglass moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm. Robert Lessler seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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