Town of Becket Select Board Meeting Minutes 1:00 p.m., March 22, 2022 Town Hall, 557 Main Street, Becket

Attendees

Board of Selectmen: William Elovirta, Chairperson; Chris Swindlehurst, Vice Chairperson

Michael Lavery, Clerk

Staff: William Caldwell Town Administrator; Beverly Gilbert, Administrative Assistant

Other: Mark Webber

Call to order

At 1pm, BE called the meeting to order and indicated that the SB was recording the meeting.

BOS intends to go into Executive Session under MGL Chapter 30A: Section 21 (a) 2 to conduct a strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel as this relates to the Interim Town Administrator position.

At the Chair's recommendation, ML moved to enter into Executive Session under MGL c. 30A Sec 21 (a) #3 – To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares. CS seconded. Roll Call: Michael Lavery – aye, Chris Swindlehurst – aye, and Bill Elovirta – aye. At 1:02 p.m. the SB entered into Executive Session.

At 1:26pm, the SB returned from Executive Session.

Any other business to come before the Select Board

BE moved to approve an employment agreement between the Town of Becket and Mark Webber in order to employ him as Interim Town Administrator effective 3/31/2022, not to exceed six months, with a payrate of \$60.00 per hour and part-time hours as needed. ML 2nd: Motion carried unanimously.

BC will arrange to advertise the TA position.

SB to accept Kristopher McDonough's resignation in his position as Emergency Management Director effective 3/19/22

In response to Kristopher McDonough's notification, <u>CS moved to accept Kristopher McDonough's resignation in his position as Emergency Management Director effective 3/19/2022. ML 2nd: Motion carried unanimously. BC will post this position internally. ML suggested sending a letter of appreciation to Kris.</u>

Select Board to adjourn the meeting

ML moved to adjourn, CS 2nd: Motion carried unanimously. At 1:40pm, BE adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Beverly Gilbert, *Administrative Assistant*

Signed by:

William H. Elovirta, Chair / April 6, 2022

Date Approved

Documents discussed at this meeting:

2022.03.23 Select Board Agenda, Draft Employment Contract, Kris McDonough's letter of resignation