SELECT BOARD WORKING MEETING MINUTES 7:00pm, June 28, 2022 Town Hall, 557 Main Street, Becket

Attendees

Select Board (SB): William Elovirta (BE), *Chair*; Chris Swindlehurst (CS), *Vice-Chair*; Remote participation: Michael Lavery (ML), *Clerk*

Staff: Mark Webber (MW), *Interim Town Administrator*; Beverly Gilbert (BG), *Administrative Assistant*;

Other: Katherine Warden

1. The Chairperson will call the Select board meeting to order.

BE called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

2. Select Board vote to go into Executive Session under MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21(a) 2: To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel. The Select Board will specify if the Select Board will return to open meeting.

BE asked Katherine Warden if she prefers to conduct negotiations in open meeting or Executive Session. Ms. Warden selected Executive Session. BE read the above captioned and specified that the SB will return to open meeting after the Executive Session. CS moved for the Select Board to go into Executive Session under MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21(a) 2: To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel and the Select Board will return to open meeting. ML 2nd: Roll call: William Elovirta—yes, Chris Swindlehurst—yes and Michael Lavery—Yes.

At 6:04pm, the SB went into Executive Session. At 6:52pm, the SB returned to open meeting. Due to lack of sufficient mobile phone reception, ML had departed Executive Session at 6:15pm and was not present at the remainder of the open meeting.

3. Select Board potential vote to approve the employment agreement (Town Administrator Position)

CS moved to approve the Employment Agreement for the Town Administrator's position between Katherine Warden and the Town of Becket, effective approximately August 1, 2022 (no later than August 8, 2022) as negotiated under Executive Session. BE 2nd: Motion carried.

4. Any Other Business

None.

5. Select Board to adjourn the Meeting

<u>CS moved adjourn, BE seconded. Motion carried unanimously.</u> At 6:55pm, BE adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Beverly Gilbert, *Administrative Assistant*

Signed by:

William H. Elovirta, Chair

/ July 6, 2022 Date Approved