



Deerfield Selectboard/Board of Health/Sewer Commissioners

March 15, 2023, 1:00 pm

8 Conway Street, South Deerfield MA 01373

Pursuant to a notice duly filed with the Town Clerk, a meeting of the Deerfield Selectboard/Board of Health/Sewer Commissioners was held on March 15, 2023 at 1:00 pm at the Deerfield Municipal offices, Main Meeting Room, 8 Conway Street, South Deerfield, MA, Meeting was recorded by FCAT and/or Town of Deerfield Staff. This meeting was held in a **Hybrid** fashion with the opportunity both in person and remote participation in accordance with Chapter 107 of the Acts of 2022 which extended the Governor's March 12, 2020, Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, M.G.L. c.30A § 20, until March 31, 2023.

Board members present: Tim Hilchey, Trevor McDaniel, and Carolyn Shores-Ness

Also present Chris Nolan, Assistant Town Administrator; Members from Non Profits; Ma Swedlund; and other members of the public.

1. Call to Order
2. Public Comment – Suspended for purposes of Discussion, will resume at a regular meeting
3. Appearances
 - 1:00 pm – Meeting with Non-Profits to Discuss Old Deerfield Wastewater Treatment Facility
 - Members from Non-Profits discussed with the Board long term goals for the Old Deerfield Wastewater Treatment Facility. The potential for expansion for additional housing on Deerfield Academy Campus to connect with the system; mirroring the design of the South Deerfield Facility for ease of maintenance & training; Future expansion of sewer lines; Discussion on alternative independent proposals for the facility; Application for additional USDA Loan/Grant funding.
4. Selectboard Reports/Announcements
 - Meeting with Governor, Lt. Governor, and Agricultural Commissioner
5. Board of Health/Health Agent Discussion Items/Reports/Announcements
6. Minutes – February 10, April 29, July 1, July 11, 2021; February 22, 2023

Motion to approve minutes from February 10, 2021- McDaniel

Second: Ness

Vote: Hilchey - abstain, McDaniel – aye, Ness – aye (2-0-1)

Motion to approve minutes from April 29th 2021, - McDaniel

Second: Hilchey

Vote: Hilchey - abstain, McDaniel – aye, Ness – aye (2-0-1)

Motion to approve minutes from June 22, 2021- McDaniel

Second: Ness

Vote: Hilchey - abstain, McDaniel – aye, Ness – aye (2-0-1)

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Motion to approve minutes from July 1st, 2021- McDaniel

Second: Hilchey

Vote: Hilchey - abstain, McDaniel – aye, Ness – aye (2-0-

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Motion to approve minutes from February 22, 2023- Ness

Second: Hilchey

Vote: Hilchey – aye, McDaniel – aye, Ness – aye

7. Discussion/Decision Items

- Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness Grant; Deerfield Elementary School Entrance Area
 - Ness and Swedlund presented the concept of the DES entrance area to be revitalized through the use of MVP Grant funding. Rain Gardens, Decorative Asphalt, landscaping, and drainage redesign for ease of use were considered. The Board considered Berkshire Design to provide a design and cost estimate for the Grant Application.
- Appointments- J.Fitzgerald, Full-Time Police Officer; Asst. Town Clerk, Burial Agent

Motion to appoint James Fitzgerald as a Full-Time Police Officer for the Town of Deerfield at \$25.42 effective April 1, 2023 to June 30th, 2023– Ness

Second: Hilchey

Vote: Hilchey – aye, McDaniel – aye, Ness – aye, (3-0-0)

- Temporary Pay Adjustment, Asst. Town Clerk

Motion to support the step increase to the Assistant Town Clerk effective immediately– Ness

Second: Hilchey

Vote: Hilchey – aye, McDaniel – aye, Ness – aye, (3-0-0)

8. Mail

9. Town Administrator’s Report/Updates

10. Items Unanticipated 48 hours prior to posting **The matters listed are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed, and other items listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.*

11. Upcoming Regular Meetings: Mar. 22; Apr. 5,19; May 3,17,31; Jun. 14,28 2023

12. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 2:15 pm – Hilchey

Second: McDaniel

Vote: Hilchey – aye, McDaniel – aye, Ness – aye, (3-0-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Herchenreder

Documents List:

- Selectboard/Board of Health/Sewer Commissioners Agenda, 03/15/2023

Approved March 22, 2023