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TOWN OF CHARLTON

Minutes of Regular Selectmen's Meeting Tuesday, July 12, 2022, 6:30pm Selectmen's Meeting Room – Meeting Room 1 Town Hall, 37 Main St., Charlton, MA

ZOOM Webinar: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87489442885; Passcode: 061416; Phone Access +1-646-558-8656

Present: Chairman – Stephen Koronis, Vice-Chairman – Patsy Rydlak, Members – William Borowski and David M. Singer and Town Administrator – Andrew Golas. Absent: Clerk – Barbara Zurawski.

I. Call to Order:

Chairman Koronis called the meeting to order at 6:42pm with the pledge of allegiance.

- II. Consent Agenda / Warrant Approval as Needed
 - a. Minutes of Regular Meeting June 14, 2022 6:30pm.
 - b. Minutes of Special Meeting with Finance Committee June 15, 2022.
 Motion by Mr. Borowski to approve the minutes of June 14, 2022, and June 15, 2022, seconded by Ms. Rydlak, unanimous.
- III. Community Relations, Announcements and Open Forum
 - Selectman Rydlak read the announcements.
 - Don Konopacki from the Activities Council came forward and said that the Blueberry Festival will be at 4 Dresser Hill and will be held on July 31st from 10am 4pm. Lots of Blueberry items, crafts and music.

IV. Appointments/Resignation:

- 1. Appointment Light Equipment Operator Mr. Golas stated that 35 applications were received for the Light Equipment Operator Position of which 9 met the licensing requirements. 5 of the applicants lived too far away, 4 were offered interviews of which 2 declined and 1 never responded. One interview was held with a qualified applicant. As there was a need to fill this position as soon as possible, the board signed the appointment letter and tonight you are being asked to formally appoint Adam Vander Vliet to this position effective July 11, 2022. This is a Highway Union position.

 Motion by Mr. Borowski to appoint Adam Vander Vliet as a Light Equipment Operator, seconded by Ms. Rydlak, unanimous.
- 2. Appointment Old Home Day Committee Mr. Golas stated that attached is a talent bank form from Cindy Saucier seeking to be appointed to the Old Home Day Committee. The Old Home Day Committee is recommending the appointment and he concurs. The expiration date for this appointment would be June 30, 2023. Motion by Mr. Borowski to make the appointment, seconded by Ms. Rydlak, unanimous.
- 3. Appointment Republican Board of Registrar Mr. Golas stated that there has been a need to fill the Republican Board of Registrar seat vacated by Joanne Powell. We have reached out to the Charlton Republican Town Committee who is recommending the appointment of Andrew LoConto as the Republican Board of Registrar. The term expiration for this appointment is April 1, 2025. He would

- recommend the board make the appointment. Motion by Mr. Borowski to make the appointment, seconded by Ms. Rydlak, unanimous.
- 4. Resignation Lakes & Ponds Committee Mr. Golas stated that at the Board's last meeting, Stanley Lewandowski was re-appointed to the Lakes & Ponds Committee. He has notified us that he is unable to serve on this committee at this time. The Board should accept his resignation. A letter thanking him for his service is in your sign folder. Motion by Mr. Borowski to accept his resignation with regret, seconded by Ms. Rydlak, unanimous.
- 5. Resignation WRTA Representative Mr. Golas stated that attached is a resignation from James Nee resigning his position as the Town's WRTA Representative. He will be starting a new job soon and feels there may be a conflict if he continues in this position. A letter thanking him for his service to the town is in your sign folder. The Board should accept his resignation. Motion by Mr. Borowski to accept his resignation with regret, seconded by Ms. Rydlak, unanimous.

V. Scheduled Appointments:

6:45pm – Pinning of Three Firefighters – Deputy Chief Jason Cantara came forward. The Fire Chief is currently responding to a Fire as part of the Task Force in Granby. He is here tonight to introduce the three members to be pinned, Awtumn Courville, Michael Meersman and Zachary Zarcone. The Board congratulated them.

6:55pm – Four Score Holdings, LLC - update – Dan Glissman, Pat Casey and Matt Wilks were present. Mr. Singer recused himself from the discussion due to his job and dealing with this company. Attorney Glissman was here to provide an update on Four Score Holdings, LLC (d/b/a Terps Cannabis) located at 144 Sturbridge Road. They have finished construction and received their Certificate of Occupancy on May 27, 2022. They are on the agenda for the Cannabis Control Commission on Thursday for their final license. He said when they originally went through the process with the Planning Board, there was a request to put up NO PARKING signs on Sampson Road. It's been a few years since those meetings, and he asked if the board still wants the signage. Mr. Borowski said that if they talk to the Planning Board and they don't feel they need the signs, he is ok with that. He asked that they keep the Town Administrator updated and to let the board know when the opening is and if there will be a ribbon cutting ceremony. The Board thanked them for the update.

Mr. Singer returned to the meeting at 7:07pm.

VI. New Business:

- 1. Consider proposed amendments to Sealer of Weights & Measures Fees Mr. Golas stated that Ron Valinski, Sealer of Weights and Measures is asking the Board to Increase the Weights & Measures Fees to be comparable to other towns. The last time the fees for this were changed was on September 25, 2007. He would recommend the board approve the request and increase the fees as submitted. Motion by Mr. Borowski to approve the request, seconded by Ms. Rydlak. Mr. Singer asked how much of these fees goes to the town. He doesn't agree with necessarily increasing fees. He would like to have the answers. With respect to Mr. Singer's request, Mr. Borowski rescinded his motion. Ms. Rydlak rescinded her second. Mr. Golas will review the information and have it for the board's next meeting. Mr. Singer would also like to know how many rotations in Charlton we have.
- 2. FY23 Fuel Procurement Award Mr. Golas stated that Charlton participated in the FY23 Regional Fuel Procurement program through CMRPC. Due to a recent fluctuation in the market, prices surged and rates are now higher than last year. Prices were solicited for gas, diesel,

heating oil and propane with a guaranteed markup price that will be added to a base price. He would recommend the board enter into contracts with the following vendors:

Heating Oil Charlton Oil - \$.50 over Global (market)/gallon

Last year \$2.35 per gallon (same vendor)

Propane Charlton Oil - \$.40 over Selkirk (market)/gallon

Last year \$ 1.65 per gallon (same vendor)

Unleaded Gasoline Dennis K. Burke, Inc. – Markup per Gallon - \$.65 over NYMEX rate

Last year .4522 over NYMEX (same vendor)

Diesel Dennis K. Burke, Inc. – Markup per Gallon - \$ 1.60 over NYMEX rate

\$ 1.65 Winter blend

Last year .4522 over NYMEX (same vendor)

Motion by Mr. Borowski to approve, seconded by Mr. Singer, unanimous.

3. Consider Third Rounds ARPA Grant Award Recommendations – Mr. Golas stated that as part of the first round of ARPA funding allocations, \$200,000 was authorized to be expended under a Small Business & Non-Profit Grant Award Program. Awards for each round would be vetted by the Economic Development Commission with recommendations made to the Board of Selectmen for final award. There are scheduled to be four rounds of funding opportunity over the year. The maximum grant award that can be given to a single applicant is \$20,000 and is for the purpose of economic recovery due to COVID-19. \$182,000 has been awarded so far under the grant program. The Economic Development Commission has reviewed all the applications and recommends the following awards:

Hair Depot Salon	\$1,500
Charlton Grange #92	\$3,500
Simonz Sayz Entertainment	\$2,500
Ed Stearns Dressed Meats	\$5,000
Charlton REAS Foundation, Inc.	\$1,500
Dudley Charlton Educational Foundation	\$4,000

Should the board approve the request as submitted, this will conclude the funding for the Small Business & Non-Profit Grants as all funds will have been allocated. **Motion by Mr. Borowski to approve as requested, seconded by Ms. Rydlak.** Mr. Singer said he will vote no because at the time the board discussed this \$200,000, there were critical needs that could have been funded with this. **Vote on motion** -3 ayes, Mr. Singer opposed.

VII. Old Business:

1. Bandshell Development Committee Membership – Mr. Golas stated that at the Board's last meeting, a Bandshell Development Committee was formed to come up with a design that would fit the town's rural character and be practical and bring it back to the board.

The membership would be:

- 1 Recreation Commission Member
- 1 Activities Council Member
- 1 Board of Selectmen Member and
- 2 Members from the Community

Selectman Zurawski was appointed at your last meeting as the Board's representative with Selectman Rydlak as the alternate.

Talent bank forms were received from:

Donald Konopacki – Activities Council Member and

Sheri Zanca – Recreation Commission Member

He would recommend the board make the appointments. We are still in need of 2 Members from the Community. Motion by Mr. Borowski to make the appointments, seconded by Mr. Singer, unanimous.

- 2. Community Center Feasibility Committee Membership Mr. Golas stated that at the Board's last meeting, a Community Center Feasibility Committee was formed to come up with plans to take a look at Charlton Furniture, if it's still available and other alternatives and bring it back to the board. The membership would be 5 people maximum:
 - 1 Board of Selectmen Member
 - 1 Finance Committee Representative
 - 1 Member from Council on Aging
 - 1 Citizen that is not a Senior and
 - 1 Citizen that is a Senior

Talent bank forms were received from: Donald Konopacki Michael Zereski – Member from Council on Aging Patricia Stockwell Karyn Riopel

He would recommend the board make the appointments. We have asked the Finance Committee to forward the name of their representative. The Board should also appoint your representative. Motion by Mr. Borowski to make the appointments, seconded by Ms. Rydlak, unanimous. Motion by Mr. Borowski that Ms. Rydlak be the Representative with Ms. Zurawski as the Alternate, seconded by Mr. Singer. What Chairman Koronis would like the committee to do and understand is to bring to the board some valid numbers of usage at the Senior Center of what we need. It would help the board gage the priority level. Vote on motion – unanimous.

3. Fire Department Sub-Station Feasibility Committee Membership – Mr. Golas stated that at the Board's last meeting, \$50,000 was authorized to the Fire Department to get the architect to work with them on a plan for a sub-station and to establish a Fire Department Sub-Station Feasibility Committee to work with the Chief.

The membership would be 5 people maximum:

- 1 Fire Chief
- 1 Town Administrator
- 1 Board of Selectmen Member
- 1 Builder
- 1 Resident

Talent bank forms were received from: Karyn Riopel – 1 Resident Scott Sedor – 1 Builder

The Board should also appoint your representative. Motion by Mr. Borowski to make the appointments, seconded by Ms. Rydlak, unanimous. Mr. Borowski said he would be glad to do this but his work schedule will be getting real busy. Chairman Koronis would be interested. Motion by Mr. Singer to have Chairman Koronis be the Primary Representative with Mr. Borowski as

the alternate, seconded by Ms. Rydlak, unanimous.

VIII. BOS Committee Reports

Fay Mountain Farm – Ms. Rydlak said they are re-organizing the committee and reviewing information. They are working on improvements.

IX. BOS Policy Review

1. Meeting Room Use & Taping of Meetings for Committees/Boards under the Selectmen's purview. Mr. Golas stated that when the town hall returned to in-person after COVID-19, staff was urged to not have meetings in their office unless they had enough space to do so considerate of anticipated public participation. We also encouraged all to tape their meetings so they can be replayed on the town's website. Knowing that space is tight in the town hall, we are asking the board to approve the attached policy so that all boards/committees appointed by the Board of Selectmen whose decisions affect property/residents in town, to hold their meetings in the Selectmen's Meeting Room -Meeting Room 1or the Senior Center. The Library would also be acceptable. The policy further encourages these meetings be taped and replayed on the Town of Charlton website when practical. Ms. Rydlak doesn't like the word encouraged and thinks it should be mandatory. All meetings should be recorded and replayed. Mr. Golas stated that since we drafted this policy, the house actually passed thorough a bill that by next April, all public board meetings must provide a hybrid option for attendance. Mr. Borowski recommended scratching ie and just say Conservation and Zoning Board of Appeals. If we want to add any other committees, we can. Chairman Koronis asked if we can add any board that issues permits. Ms. Rydlak would like it to say All Boards. Motion by Mr. Borowski to strike etc so it says ie Conservation Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals., seconded by Mr. Singer, unanimous.

X. BOS & TA Goals & Objectives

XI. Town Administrator Report - Mr. Golas reviewed his report.

XII. Other Business (unknown at time of posting)

Mr. Singer has two requests for the board. Motion by Mr. Singer to publicly release all executive session records and minutes related to VGG and Charlton Orchards unredacted in their entirety upon a resolution of the current legal matters. Mr. Borowski asked if we could table this until the next meeting. Mr. Singer restated that nothing will be released until the issue is over. Mr. Singer asked to put this on the next meeting.

Motion by Mr. Singer to publicly release all executive session minutes and records regarding LNG unredacted in their entirety upon the approval of the remaining executive session minutes. The siting board has approved. He said that anything related to current tax discussions won't be included. Mr. Singer asked for this to be on the next meeting and have the executive session minutes ready for approval.

Ms. Rydlak would ask for a legal opinion on this. Mr. Singer asked for this to be on every meeting going forward.

XIII. Next Meeting Announcement:

• BOS Regular Meeting – August 9, 2022, 6:30pm, Town Hall, Meeting Room 1

XIV. Adjourn - Motion by Mr. Borowski to adjourn at 7:51pm, seconded by Ms. Rydlak, unanimous.

Submitted by: Mary C. Devlin Executive Assistant

Accepted by:

Stephen G. Koronis, Chairman

Barbara Zurawski, Clerk (absent)

Patsy Rydlak, Vice-Chairman

David M. Singer, Member

William Borowski, Member



July 12, 2022

VIA E-Mail Delivery

Town of Charlton Attn: Andrew Golas, Town Administrator 37 Main Street Charlton, MA 01507

Re: Four Score Holdings, LLC (d/b/a Terps Cannabis) – Construction Update

Dear Mr. Golas:

This firm represents Four Score Holdings, LLC (d/b/a Terps Cannabis) (the "Company") in connection with the licensing and permitting of its proposed Marijuana Establishment to be located at 144 Sturbridge Road, Charlton, MA 01507 (the "Facility"). Please accept this letter, and its attachments, as an update on the status of the licensing of the Facility.

We are pleased to report that the construction of the Facility is complete and the Company received its Certificate of Occupancy on May 27, 2022. Attached as Exhibit A are a few current photographs of the Facility.

The Company successfully navigated its Post Provisional License Inspection (the "PPLI") conducted by the Cannabis Control Commission, on May 25, 2022. No deficiencies were noted and the Company has been recommended to receive its Final License at the Cannabis Control Commission's July 14, 2022 meeting. A copy of the meeting agenda is attached hereto as Exhibit B for reference. The Company anticipates that it will be able to open the Facility in August 2022, subject to the Commission's inspection schedule.

We look forward to presenting the Company's progress and its timeline for completion at tonight's meeting. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

cc:

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Exhibit A



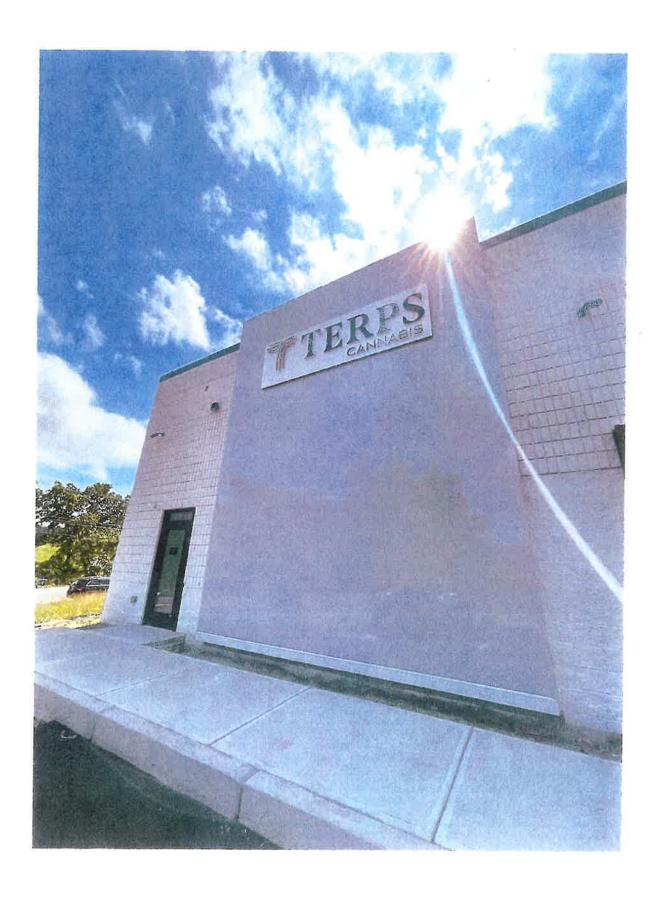


Exhibit B



July 12, 2022

In accordance with Sections 18-25 of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Cannabis Control Commission. The meeting will take place as noted below.

CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

July 14, 2022 10:00AM

Via Remote Participation via Microsoft Teams Live*

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Commissioners' Comments & Updates
- III. Minutes for Approval
- IV. Executive Director's Report
- V. Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership
 - Coastal Infusions, LLC
 - 2. Not Grampa's Tobacco, Inc.
 - 3. Top Shelf Cannaseurs LLC
- VI. Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses
 - 1. Fairway Botanicals, Inc. (#MRN281755), Retail
 - 2. Farma Gardens, LLC (#MBN282389), Microbusiness
 - Green Flash Delivery, LLC (#MDA1298), Marijuana Delivery Operator
 - 4. Greener World, Inc. (#MCN283521), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
 - 5. Greener World, Inc. (#MRN284254), Retail
 - 6. Indica, LLC (#MRN284431), Retail
 - 7. Leaf Joy, LLC (#MRN284606), Retail
 - 8. OBCC, LLC (#MCN283643), Cultivation, Tier 5 / Indoor
 - 9. Pure Oasis, LLC (#MRN284576), Retail
 - 10. Pure Oasis, LLC (#MRN284645), Retail
 - 11. ReLeaf Alternative Natick, Inc. (#MRN284537), Retail

- 12. Silver Therapeutics of Palmer, Inc. (#MRN284328), Retail
- 13. TSC Operations, LLC (#MPN282173), Product Manufacturer
- 14. Uma Flowers Lunenburg, LLC (#MRN284518), Retail
- 15. Upper Echelon Cultivation, LLC (#MBN282384), Microbusiness
- 16. Valkyrie Cannabis, Inc. (#MRN284530), Retail
- 17. Xhale New England Dispensary, LLC (#MRN284479), Retail

VII. Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses

- 1. 6 Bricks, LLC (#MR283098), Retail
- 2. Apothca, Inc. (#MR284429), Retail
- 3. Atlantic Farms, LLC (#MC281975), Cultivation, Tier 7 / Outdoor
- 4. Berkshire Welco Cultivation, LLC (#MC283155), Cultivation, Tier 4 / Outdoor
- 5. Four Score Holdings, LLC d/b/a Terps (#MR282757), Retail
- 6. Regenerative, LLC (#MP281966), Product Manufacturer
- 7. Solar Retail Norton, LLC (#MR283896), Retail
- 8. UC Cultivation, LLC (#MC283608), Cultivation, Tier 5 / Outdoor

VIII. Staff Recommendations on Renewals

- 1. Advesa MA, Inc. (#MRR206136)
- 2. Advesa MA, Inc. (#MRR206126)
- 3. Analytics Labs, LLC. (#ILR267906)
- 4. Aries Laboratories LLC (#ILR267905)
- 5. ATLANTIC FARMS, LLC (#MCR140258)
- 6. Berkshire Welco Cultivation, LLC (#MCR140222)
- 7. Berkshire Welco Lab & Manufacturing, LLC (#MPR243816)
- 8. Calyx & Pistils Inc. (#MCR140239)
- 9. Cannabro, LLC (#MRR206108)
- 10. Cannatech Medicinals Inc. (#MPR243810)
- 11. CCC Wellfleet NV LLC (#MRR206148)
- 12. Comm Ave Canna, Inc. (#MRR206102)
- 13. CommCan, Inc (#MRR206075)
- 14. Commcan, Inc. (#MRR206128)
- 15. Cypress Tree Management Fenway, Inc. (#MRR206098)
- 16. Diem Orange LLC (#MPR243807)
- 17. Diem Orange LLC (#MCR140249)
- 18. Eskar Arlington LLC (#MRR206100)
- 19. Eskar Northbridge, LLC (#MRR206096)
- 20. Frozen 4 Corporation (#MXR126661)

- 21. Frozen 4 Corporation (#MCR140278)
- 22. Fuego Farms Inc. (#MPR243800)
- 23. Fuego Farms Inc. (#MCR140250)
- 24. Green Gold Group Inc (#MCR140246)
- 25. Green Meadows Farm, LLC (#MPR243792)
- 26. Green Meadows Farm, LLC (#MCR140245)
- 27. Green Valley Analytics LLC (#ILR267907)
- 28. Hennep Cultivation LLC (#MPR243778)
- 29. Hennep Cultivation LLC (#MCR140219)
- 30. High Five Inc. (#MPR243789)
- 31. Holistic Industries, Inc. (#MRR206081)
- 32. I.N.S.A., Inc. (#MRR206114)
- 33. Ironstone Express Inc. (#MRR206053)
- 34. JDM Sales, Inc. (#MRR206073)
- 35. JimBuddys Rec Shop, Inc. (#MRR206097)
- 36. KG Collective LLC (#MRR206103)
- 37. Liberty Compassion, Inc (#MPR243763)
- 38. Liberty Compassion, Inc (#MCR140206)
- 39. Life Essence, Inc. (#MCR140227)
- 40. Life Essence, Inc. (#MRR206068)
- 41. Life Essence, Inc. (#MPR243781)
- 42. Major Bloom, LLC (#DOR5182946)
- 43. Major Bloom, LLC (#MRR206055)
- 44. New England Craft Cultivators, LLC (#MRR206119)
- 45. New England Craft Cultivators, LLC (#MRR206141)
- 46. New England Regional Dispensary LLC (#MCR140198)
- 47. Northampton Labs (#ILR267904)
- 48. Not Grampa's Tobacco, Inc. (#MRR206139)
- 49. Pleasantrees, Inc. (#MRR206066)
- 50. RAIN CITY FARMING, L.L.C. (#MCR140264)
- 51. Releaf Cultivation L.L.C (#MCR140265)
- 52. Riverside Cannabis LLC (#MCR140229)
- 53. Salisbury Cultivation and Production Manufacturing, LLC (#MPR243825)
- 54. Salisbury Cultivation and Production Manufacturing, LLC (#MCR140253)
- 55. Standard Naturals, LLC (#MRR206089)
- 56. Sunhouse Mass, LLC (#MCR140236)

- 57. Supercritical Mass Laboratories Inc. (#MPR243791)
- 58. Ten-Ten LLC (#MRR206094)
- 59. Ten-Ten LLC (#MPR243797)
- 60. Ten-Ten LLC (#MCR140256)
- 61. Ten-Ten LLC (#MCR140247)
- 62. The Botanist, Inc. (#MPR243776)
- 63. The Botanist, Inc. (#MRR206063)
- 64. The Botanist, Inc. (#MRR206062)
- 65. The Haven Center, Inc. (#MRR206085)
- 66. The Holistic Concepts, Inc (#MRR205989)
- 67. Tigertown LLC (#MRR206124)
- 68. Toy Town Project, LLC (#MRR206079)
- 69. Trifecta Farms Corp (#MPR243801)
- 70. Trifecta Farms Corp (#MCR140252)
- 71. True East Leaf LLC (#MRR206132)
- 72. Wing Well LLC (#MPR243785)
- 73. Wing Well LLC (#MCR140225)
- 74. BeWell Organic Medicine Inc. (#RMD1245)
- 75. Bountiful Farms, Inc. (#RMD1485)
- 76. Curaleaf Massachusetts, Inc. (#RMD385)
- 77. Medical Condition Treatment Centers (#RMD1733)
- 78. FFD Enterprises MA, Inc. d/b/a Fine Fettle (#RMD1306)
- 79. Four Daughters Compassionate Care, Inc. d/b/a Zen Leaf (#RMD1691)
- 80. Good Chemistry of Massachusetts (#RMD725)
- 81. Heka Incorporated (#RMD1385)
- 82. Wellness Connection of MA d/b/a Hightail Cannabis (#RMD1694)
- 83. HVV Massachusetts, Inc. (#MTC-PL)
- 84. I.N.S.A., Inc. (#RMD845)
- 85. Liberty Compassion, Inc. (#RMD1586)
- 86. Mayflower Medicinals (#RMD425)
- 87. Middlesex Integrative Medicine (#RMD1740)
- 88. Natural Selections (#RMD1425)
- 89. Northeast Alternatives, Inc. (#RMD745)
- 90. NS AJO Holdings, Inc. d/b/a Ethos Cannabis (#RMD1546)
- 91. Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. (#RMD1346)
- 92. Rise Holdings, Inc. (#RMD645)

- 93. Sanctuary Medicinals, Inc. (#RMD1127)
- 94. Sira Naturals, Inc. (#RMD325)
- 95. Sira Naturals, Inc. (#RMD245)
- 96. Sira Naturals, Inc. (#RMD625)
- 97. Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts, LLC (#RMD705)
- IX. Commission Discussion and Votes
 - 1. Executive Director Goals Update
 - 2. In-Person Public Meeting Operations Update and Discussion
 - 3. Upcoming Anticipated Public Meeting Topics
- X. New Business Not Anticipated at the Time of Posting
- XI. Next Meeting Date
- XII. Adjournment

^{*}Closed captioning available



Town of Charlton

OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Andrew M. Golas, Town Administrator

TO:

Board of Selectmen

FROM:

Andrew Golas, Town Administrator

DATE:

June 13, 2022

SUBJECT:

Town Administrator's Report – for Selectmen's meeting of 6/14/2022

Public Health Excellence for Shared Services Grant Award – The Town of Charlton was awarded a Public Health Excellence for Shared Services Grant in an annualized amount of \$300,000. The Town of Charlton is the lead community on this initiative with the towns of Spencer, Sturbridge Sutton and Wales. The grant will allow the towns to leverage state funding for shred services including inspectional services and public health nursing. I would like to thank Health Director Jim Philbrook for coordinating this effort.

<u>Legislative Earmarks</u> – Within upcoming bills passing through the legislature, there are a few funding initiatives specifically earmarked to the Town of Charlton. These include:

- \$150,000 Fire Station Improvements \$2915 FY23 Senate Budget
- \$1,000,000 Sewer Plant Improvements H4916 An Act relative to Massachusetts's transportation resources and climate

Both bills are currently working through the legislative process. I would like to thank Senator Fattman, Representative Frost & Representative Durant for their advocacy in including these earmarks in these pending bills.

<u>Little Nugget Dam Repair</u> – Bids were received on Wednesday for the repairs to Little Nugget Dam. Dam repairs include removal and replacement of the cofferdam and slide gate. The cost of construction was estimated at \$180,000. The lowest apparent bid come in at \$120,000. The bids received are currently being evaluated by Tata & Howard and will be presented to the Board for recommended award. I would like to thank Conservation for their work in coordinating this repair work.

<u>Middle School Roof Repair – Vote Timeline</u> - At their June 22nd Meeting, the DCRSD School Committee voted to hold a Loan Authorization Ballot Vote on the proposed capital improvement projects on September 6th as a dual election with the State Primary Election. As per the district agreement, passage of a loan authorization requires 50% +1 of the voters from both member towns. The vote being considered is not a debt exclusion, rather, just to authorize the loan. A debt Exclusion Vote could be considered by the Town at a later date, but the town's fiscal responsibility of the project would still be committed by the result of the loan authorization ballot vote.

Goals & Objectives — With the beginning of the new fiscal year, it is time to set the Goals and Objectives for the next year. We will add this to the Agenda for the next meeting. Please let me know if you would like to schedule any working sessions in advance to discuss.