

Bristol Town Administrator

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Subject: Update from Monday's Selectboard meeting

Hi All,

Below is an update from Monday's Selectboard meeting:

- An attorney-client communications matter regarding a potential settlement agreement was added to the executive session part of the agenda.
- The matter of an additional food truck on the Friday Town Green events was deferred to Bobcat Café and the Rec Department for approval.
- Brett, Bruce, and Meridith presented brief department updates.
- Brett introduced two new Firefight candidates Greg Swain and Ethan DeWitt, both of whom were enthusiastically appointed to the department and presented with the historic roster to sign. Alexis Fojo's resignation was accepted. James Hockett's requested year-long leave of absence was approved.
- Masterson's quote of \$9,500 was accepted for the Harvey Road bridge abutment and riverbank stabilization project.
- Joel FitzGerald and Floyd Davison from MAUSD Zoomed in to discuss the activities occurring and planned at Bristol Elementary School. The need for a Town permit approval in the future for any work in the right-of-way was reiterated. The entryway and sidewalk adjustments were discussed. They are also looking into septic improvements and relocation of the dumpster area. They are also coordinating with the Town on the stormwater infiltration chamber project.
- The proposed deed of transfer of the 5.8 acres to Stoney Hill to benefit the Firehouse Apartments project was approved 4-1, with Joel voting no. It includes a reversion clause that provides for the parcel reverting back to the Town if, for whatever reason, the project is not built within 5 years.
- The indemnification agreement for the Town to indemnify Firehouse Apartments Limited Partnership of particular liabilities that may occur on the 5.8 acres as a result of Town or public access was approved 4-1 with Joel voting no.
- The Firehouse Drive roadway, sidewalk, and utilities easements associated with the Stoney Hill Business Park were accepted. The stormwater maintenance agreement was not approved pending wordsmithing of certain provisions to be considered at the next meeting.
- The construction bid from Don Weston Excavating, Inc. for \$865,260.20. An additional expense of approximately \$16,000 was approved to upgrade the proposed asphalt sidewalks within the business park to concrete.
- The June 21, 2021 minutes were approved.
- Warrant was approved. There was discussion about the South Mountain Tavern liquor license and what restrictions it did or did not include. There was agreement that it be added to the next agenda to ensure it contains the same parameters that applied to the former Hatch 31 establishment.
- Selectboard roundtable:
 - Ian would like the topic of trash cans on the Town Green Park to be on the next agenda. He noted that a lot of the products that were ordered through the recently-received grant have begun to arrive at the Town Garage and will need to be assembled. There was brief discussion about

potential physical planters rather than the in-ground intersection plantings and potential locations of benches on Main Street.

- Joel expressed concerns about the trash being jammed into the Town's trash receptacles from area restaurants—particularly bulky pizza boxes—and questioned what the options are to control it.
- Joel noted that the area between sidewalk and road on West Street across from Firehouse Drive has two drains that should be able to be worked around to accommodate a short sidewalk section connecting a new crosswalk to Firehouse Drive. He also feels it should be the electrified design like the one on Main Street. I reminded folks that I am in the process of getting quotes to have a crosswalk designed there. Hopefully it will be able to be coordinated with the Stoney Hill construction. If not, we'll get it done another way. It is not an expense that can be added to the Stoney Hill project.
- Joel expressed the control of open containers with the various food trucks events, but was assured that they are regulated with designated roped areas. Peeker was pretty sure Bristol has an open container ordinance that also regulates it.
- Peeker wished Darla (who was not present) a happy birthday getaway.
- Town Admin Report: I reiterated some of the stuff in the written TA report. The practicality of the West Street slope repair efforts was briefly mentioned. I said it will all depend on what the bids come in at and whether, at that point, the property owners decide whether they can or cannot manage a way forward.
- Following the executive session, the Selectboard voted to accept the settlement agreement pertaining to former Police Officer Jori Fairbanks. The Town will pay her \$4,500 and the matter is settled.

Let me know if I missed (or misstated) something or if you have any other input or questions.

Thanks!

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