TOWN OF STERLING BOARD OF SELECTMEN Meeting May 13, 2020

MEETING:

Due to a technical issue with the Zoom connection, the meeting was delayed.

At 7:20 pm Chairman Kilcoyne called the Select Board meeting to order at . Roll Call: Chairman Kilcoyne – Present. Selectman Cranson – Present. Selectwoman Sonnenberg – Participated remotely via phone. Also present were Town Administrator, Ross Perry and Executive Assistant, Kama Jayne.

Public Hearing 61A Release of 175 Justice Hill Road

At 7:22 Selectman Cranson moved to open the Public Hearing, regarding the release of Chapter 61A land at 175 Justice Hill Road. Selectwoman Sonnenberg – 2nd. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Selectwoman Sonnenberg – Aye. Chairman Kilcoyne - Aye. Motion Carried.

At 7:23 Selectman Cranson moved to continue the Public Hearing on Monday, May 18 at 2:00 pm. Selectwoman Sonnenberg – 2^{nd} . Selectman Cranson – Aye. Selectwoman Sonnenberg – Aye. Chairman Kilcoyne - Aye. Motion Carried.

Support for Master Plan Funding Grant After discussion, Selectman Cranson moved that the Board authorize Chairman Kilcoyne to sign the letter in support of a FY 21 Planning Assistance Grant, to be submitted by MRPC to the Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs on Sterling's behalf. Selectwoman Sonnenberg 2nd. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Chairman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectwoman Sonnenberg – Aye. Motion carried. The grant will allow the Town to engage the services of the MRPC in the planning aspects of the Town's Master Plan. The grant application must be submitted by Friday, May 15th. Therefore, the Board found it necessary to move forward with this agenda item. However, the vote will be ratified on May 18th.

Due to technical difficulties, all other agenda items were moved to the Monday meeting.

PSA

The First Chuirch has initiated a program called "Food is Love"; FREE MEALS AVAILABLE TO THE STERLING COMMUNITY

These times are hard on all of us. We are struggling – because of months of isolation, unforeseen job loss, health concerns, anxiety about public spaces, childcare woes and economic insecurity. You may find yourself worried about how to put food on your table for the first time.

If you/your family need a good meal, PLEASE, join us for OPERATION FOOD IS LOVE sponsored by Meadowbrook Orchards and First Church in Sterling. Free dinner meals will be available for pick up every Monday beginning May 18^{th.}

Drive up in front of First Church at 6 Meetinghouse Hill Road between 4 - 5:30 pm where a masked/gloved volunteer will place meals in your car/trunk – as long as supplies last. No questions asked; your confidentially will be honored.

Our friends, we need one another. We are in this together.

Questions: contact Jennifer Scalise-Mullett at 978-875-3410 jscalisemullett@gmail.com

Food is also available at WHEAT, in Clinton, as well as at the Wachusett food pantry and St. Richards. Rainbows are the theme for the Houghton School POSITIVITY Project. Rainbows are being displayed throughout the Town.

Adjourn

Selectman Cranson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm. Selectwoman Sonnenberg 2nd. Chairman Kilcoyne – Aye. Selectman Cranson – Aye. Selectwoman Sonnenberg – Aye. Motion carried.