TOWN OF STERLING SELECT BOARD Work Session March 24, 2021

MEETING:

Chair Cranson called the Select Board work session to order at 4:05. Roll Call: Chair Cranson – Present. Select member Sonnenberg – participated remotely. Select member Kilcoyne – participated remotely. Also present were Town Clerk, Kathy Farrell, Town Administrator, Kellie Hebert and Senior Executive Assistant, Kama Jayne.

Minutes

1. Planning & Logistics for Annual Town Meeting ("ATM")

- After discussion the Board decided that a "special" Town Meeting, prior to the Annual Town Meeting, on the same night, was not necessary. All articles will be incorporated into the ATM and the placement of all articles will be reviewed and determined at a later date. Therefore. Select member Sonneberg moved that the Annual Town Meeting will be held on June 14th, at the Airport, and it will convene at 5:30. Select member Kilcoyne 2nd. Chair Cranson Aye. Select member Sonnenberg Aye. Select Member Kilcoyne Aye. Motion carried.
- Select member Sonnenberg moved that, should a second meeting night be required to finish the annual town meeting, it will convene at 5:30 on June 15th. Select member Kilcoyne 2nd. Chair Cranson – Aye. Select member Sonnenberg – Aye. Select Member Kilcoyne – Aye. Motion carried.
- The Operations Manager, Fred Aponte, and the Facilities Manager, Patrice Fullhart are in conact with Meridian and have established computer support for the ATM.
- Select member Sonnenberg moved to appoint Amrith Kumar as the Deputy Moderator for the 2021 Annual Town Meeting. Select member Kilcoyne 2nd. Chair Cranson – Aye.
 Select member Sonnenberg – Aye. Select Member Kilcoyne – Aye. Motion carried.
- The change in the Town Meeting date means that the Elections will be held the following Monday, on June 21st. Therefore;

The last day to submit nomination papers is on May 17th
The last day to withdraw nomination papers is May 19th
The last day to register to vote is May 25th.

2. **Warrant Articles:** Preliminary List of Warrant Articles for ATM:

- The preliminary list of articles was presented to the Board in an order that is aimed at facilitating a smooth-running and efficient Annual Town Meeting. Ultimately, the order will be determined by the Board.
- Every effort will be made to explain details and elicit questions about warrant articles, prior to the ATM. Meetings, cable interiews and news stories will be used to educate the public so that citizens have a good understanding of what the warrant articles are about and the ultimate impact of voting for or against them.
- The Town Administrator will continue to work on the details of the proposed warrant articles

At 4:59 Select member Sonnenberg moved to adjourn. Select member Kilcoyne -2^{nd} . Chair Cranson - Aye. Select member Sonnenberg - Aye. Select member Kilcoyne - Aye. Motion Carried.

Materials: agenda, first draft of articles

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