MEMBERS PRESENT: First Selectman Don Lowe, Selectman Bob Ostrosky, Selectman Kevin Keenan

Audience and Invited: Property Manager Candidates and an audience of approximately 20 was in attendance.

CLERK: Linda Whitney

CALL TO ORDER: First Selectman D. Lowe Called the Meeting to Order at 2:03 m.

Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

INTERVIEW PROCESS: D.Lowe explained to the audience that there were 12 applicants for the position and that there were 5 finalists to be interviewed during the meeting and 1 applicant to be interviewed Tuesday at 10:00 AM. The finalists were chosen based on the qualifications and experience listed in their resumes. The audience was welcomed to witness the interviews and thanked for their interest in the future of Happy Acres Farm. The interview questions were restricted to the Board of Selectmen.
The applicants interviewed were:

David Jellen
Travis Palmer
Chad Fasig
Paul Deedon
Wendy and Chris Mitchell

Each interview began with the First Selectman asking for a summary of how the applicant felt their experience would make them successful in the position of property manager and for the applicant to explain why they wanted the position.

B.Ostrosky asked each applicant if they were aware of the 90 day “OUT” clause and if they were comfortable with it. B.Ostrosky also asked about the applicants comfort level with public access at the farm and whether or not the applicants felt they could manage the property.

K.Keenan asked each applicant to explain how they would respond to a complaint from a townsperson about how the farm was being maintained. He also asked each applicant where they saw themselves in 3 -5 years in relation to the farm.
D.Lowe asked each applicant to share how they felt about working with volunteer groups that may want to coordinate events and activities at the farm.

After carefully listening to each applicant, D.Lowe let the public know that at the regularly scheduled Board of Selectmen meeting on Thursday, 19 Dec. 2019, he anticipated an executive session for the Selectmen to discuss the interviews. He anticipates announcing who they will award the position of property manager to at that meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

D. Lowe adjourned the meeting at 3:20 PM.

The next Board of Selectmen Regular Monthly Meeting is scheduled for 19 December 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Linda Whitney