

West Barnstable Civic Association

Meeting Minutes via Zoom

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

West Barnstable Community Building, Route 149

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Nancy Meagher, President called to order the regular meeting of the West Barnstable Civic Association at 7:00PM on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at the West Barnstable Community Building on Route 149.

II. Attendance

Public Meeting

III. Business 7:00-7:15pm

- State Rep, Steve Xiarhos
Steve introduced himself to the audience. Shared some of the topics that constituents can reach out to his office about. A constituent asked which bill Rep. Xiarhos was most concerned about. Xiarhos responded that Nero's Bill is the bill he's most concerned about. There was another question re: the Bridge work in West Barnstable.
- Precinct 11 Town Councilor, Kris Clark
Kris shared that the Precinct lines will be redrawn based on the most recent census, including Precinct 11. Kris shared information on the upcoming Town Council meeting, including a discussion on the Comprehensive Plan and a change to the Medical Overlay district near Attucks Lane. Reminded members of the vacancy on the Old King's Highway board. She also shared there are a number of other Boards in town and encouraged residents to apply.
- Membership Chair, Jon Britton
We currently have 94 memberships. Attendees were encouraged to sign up if they are not already members. Jon also reminded attendees we have merchandise available for purchase tonight or via the website.
- Village Updates
 - Annual Village Tree Lighting
 - WBCA Educational Scholarship
 - Whelden Memorial Library
 - West Barnstable Fire Department
 - Meetinghouse Farm
 - 1717 Meetinghouse
 - WB Historical Society

IV. Program

- School Committee Candidates – Each of the candidates presented who they were and why they were running for the school committee this year.
 - Andre King
 - Peter Goode
 - Stephanie Ellis
- Vineyard Wind Update – Update on Vineyard Wind I. Construction has begun on this project. Discussion of the economic development this project will provide. Vineyardwind.com/Barnstable for updates specific to our town.

There is also a Vineyard Wind II project. This is about 2 years out. There will be virtual sessions providing updates on the projects. There will be a substation at Oak Street. The project is phased and in synergy with the sewer project. This is onshore. The offshore work will take place during May-December over 2 years. Targeted for late 2023.

Discussion about power grid enhancements. At max, 800 mw and will power 400,000 homes.

Presentation by Rose DeCosta and Nate Mayo.

V. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

IX: Meeting Dates

Tuesday, November 9, 2021, 7:00 PM ~ Board Meeting, West Barnstable Community Building (Municipal Election 11/2)

Sunday, December 5, 2021, 5:00 PM ~ Annual Tree Lighting

Tuesday, December 7, 2021, 7:00 PM ~ Board Meeting, West Barnstable Community Building

X: Adjourn

Marissa Caney motioned. Tony Lovell seconded. Unanimous vote taken to adjourn at 7:59 pm.

Minutes submitted by Marissa Caney, Recording Secretary