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BOS – Minutes – 1.21.2022

The Board of Selectmen Special Meeting minutes of January 21, 2022.

Remote Meeting via Zoom

Present: Curtis Rand, First Selectman; Chris Williams, Selectman; Donald Mayland, Selectman; Emily Egan , Secretary; Phil Barlow, To Design, LLC; Francisco Gomes, FHI Studio; members of the Pope Land Design Committee (PLDC): Lisa McAuliffe; Jim Dresser; Elizabeth Slotnick; Vivian Garfein, Ray McGuire; and Tim Sinclair.

The meeting was **called to order** 11:00am.

The purpose of this Special Meeting is to review and possibly take action on the To Design, LLC proposal for pre-development planning on the Pope property, as recommended by the Pope Land Design Committee (PLDC).

The Board of Selectmen had a few questions for To Design, LLC and the PLDC, including a timeline and scheduled meetings with both the land use commissions and the general public? The Selectmen suggested a final timeline for completion of early summer 2022. The group discussed the number of meetings that will need to be held with the board and committees, including public hearings. The PLDC agreed that they would like several different plans ready before going out to the public for comment. The Selectmen discussed funding and concluded that this proposal was within the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds guidelines in that it includes improvements to public spaces, affordable housing and outdoor recreation, as well as pedestrian safety and access.

D. Mayland made a motion to go forward with the \$52,000 proposal from To Design, LLC for the pre-development plans of the Pope property. C. Williams seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

Adjourn: 11:15am