## Approved 7/15/20

## TOWN OF WEST TISBURY SELECTMEN'S MEETING July 8, 2020 4:40 pm \*Virtual meeting\*

Present: Selectmen Skipper Manter, Cindy Mitchell, Kent Healy, Jen Rand

**Also Present:** John & Christina Cain, John Rau, Nick Puner, Andy Kaye, Tucker Hubble, Dan & Kate Scherlis, John Scherlis, Rich Salzberg and Will Sennott.

**Minutes:** There were none.

## **New Business:**

## • Lambert's Cove Inn request for dining and beer & wine service outside in the English Garden:

Jen explained that much like with State Road Restaurant, the ABC has allowed local BOS to make the call on altering beer & wine licenses. She shared the screen shot of the plan & diagram submitted by Mr. Cain. (attached to agenda online) John Cain said that there is plenty of space in the English Garden, 5,000 sq ft. and they are requesting 48 seats outside Their 70 max seats will be split between indoor/outdoor. He said he has spoken with Omar (BOH) and Omar is not opposed and will sign off on it once it is approved by the BOS.

Cindy then asked for public comment. John Rau thought that Mr. Cain should have known that they would need permission from the BOS. Jen explained that there had been a communication breakdown and that John thought he only needed to speak with BOH. Andy Kaye said he is the nearest neighbor to the English Garden area and while he and his wife are not opposed to the outside dining they are concerned about the choice of location and the noise for them. He suggested other areas; the pool area which was used in the past, and the lawn on the other side of the Inn. He requested that if they did not use another area they reduce the number of outdoor seats. There were questions about outdoor music/entertainment and Mr. Cain said there would be none. Tucker acknowledged that these are extraordinary times and he would like to support Mr. Cain but he also thinks another location would be better for the neighbors. The Scherlis's said they support outdoor dining but share concerns about noise. He suggested a 30 trial period. Skipper pointed out that they had decided to not do a trial period with State Road Restaurant and thought they could do the same here and that if there were issues it would be brought immediately to the BOS to resolve. Cindy didn't think it was fair to ask them to have less seating outdoors as the space was bigger than what State Road has. She agreed that they could deal with issues as they

came up. Jen suggested the abutters should communicate directly with Mr. Cain to resolve issues if possible.

There was a bit more discussion and comment from neighbors, and clarification of the dining schedule.

Skipper made the motion to approve Mr. Cain's request for 48 seats outdoors in the English Garden with the understanding that they may have to come back if there are issues. There will be no outside music or vocal entertainment. Kent seconded. Roll call vote, all approved.

**Correspondence:** there was none.

**Old Business:** there was none.

Skipper made the motion to adjourn. Kent second. Roll Call: all in favor.

Adjourned 5:19 pm

Respectfully Submitted by Janice Haynes, Administrative Assistant