



Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 1:00pm
Town Hall Meeting Room, Harvard, MA

The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm by Chair Lucy Wallace at the Town Hall. Select Board members Kara Minar, Alice von Loesecke and Stu Sklar were in attendance as well as Town Administrator Tim Bragan, Assistant Town Administrator/HR Director Marie Sobalvarro and Executive Assistant Julie Doucet.

Appointment

Registrar of Voters

Town Clerk Marlene Kenney said the 3rd congressional district is required to hold a recount. Kenney must call a Board of Registrar's meeting 48 hours prior to the recount. She learned one of the registrars has moved out of town therefore she is requesting the appointment of resident Nelson Northern. On a Sklar/von Loesecke motion, the board voted unanimously to appoint Nelson Northern to the Board of Registrars through the end of 2018.

Movie/Television production update

Bragan and Sobalvarro have created a film application which will require a \$500.00 fee. Bragan explained depending on what is requested other associated costs may be applied.

Netflix

Bragan reported Netflix is currently filming in town. They have been in other neighboring communities and are working out of the New England Studios in Devens on an unnamed television production. They are filming at private residences on Mill, Stow and Slough Roads. He indicated they will be done filming by next week however he expects them to return.

Columbia Pictures

Bragan and Sobalvarro have been working with location scouts. He admitted it has been difficult as schedules are ever-changing and much is dependent on weather. The film application has been completed and filming in town will occur on Friday, October 26th, Friday, November 2nd and Monday, November 5th. Filming will happen in various locations; town common, General Store, Town Hall, Unitarian Church and at Fruitlands Museum. They will coordinate road closures with the public safety department. Bragan plans to hold a meeting with residents who will be affected and a representative from Columbia Pictures will be present. Sobalvarro has reached out to the Mass film office as well as other communities for guidance. He said set construction will begin on Monday, September 17th on the property between the General Store and the Congregational Church. Bragan is working on a license agreement with Town Counsel for use of that property. Bragan acknowledged coordination and communication will be essential to mitigate the impact to town residents.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40pm.