

**TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MINUTES
MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2013
7:00 P.M. – TOWN HALL**

PRESENT: DANIEL BAILLY
STEPHEN BANNON
ANDREW BLECHMAN
DEB PHILLIPS
SEAN STANTON

JENNIFER TABAKIN, TOWN MANAGER

7:00 PM – PUBLIC SESSION – BOARD ROOM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Sean Stanton called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

June 10, 2013 Regular Meeting.

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the June 10, 2013 minutes

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

3. SELECTMEN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS/STATEMENTS

A. Issuance of General Obligation Bonds and Renewal of Bond Anticipation Notes

This temporary borrowing is in the amount of \$251,400 which consists of street improvements in the amount of \$230,000 and sewer improvements in the amount of \$ 21,400. The interest rate on the BANS is .50 %

The Selectboard signed.

B. Discussion of Upcoming Meeting Calendar

The calendar of upcoming meetings was presented to the Board.

C. General Comments by the Board

Andrew Blechman stated that he has an issue with the Berkshire Record about the headlines. He said that the reporting is fine but the headlines use poor language.

Andrew said that an example was the headline about the school resource officer. The headlines said, "Armed Guards." Andrew asked that they be less manipulative; ridiculing does not serve the community well.

D. Follow-Up Items

Deb Phillips said that she has some follow-up items to add to the list for the Strategic Planning Priorities Meeting.

The Selectboard agreed that the list will grow with items to be kept as current tasks.

4. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:

Jennifer Tabakin reported that the Town has gone from an 'A' bond rating to 'AA+' bond rating, which means lower interest rates and is also good for the school district. Jennifer applauded previous town manager, Kevin O'Donnell, Lauren Sartori and the Finance Committee for this accomplishment.

This rating, however, did not generate the level of rates desired for the bonds needed for the fire truck. Jennifer said that this will go out for re-bid, since the rate was so high.

Jennifer thanked the staff for working together to help during the repair of the wireless bridge.

Jennifer also reported that the Wastewater Treatment Plant bids came in high so the only option is to refuse them and go through the process again. Changes may be made to the plan.

5. CITIZEN SPEAK TIME

John Breasted spoke about the school resource officer. John gave the Selectboard a printed document with some financial details. He said, if Great Barrington is awarded the grant, it will have to pay \$150,000 over 4 years. John asked if the Selectboard signs the agreement for this, are we then bound to it.

John asked that this topic be put on the agenda for the July 8th meeting to discuss and debate.

Sharon Gregory said that this position would be an addition to the police department, not a replacement. Sharon also said that the Finance Committee will be meeting tomorrow and will give the Selectboard a recommendation.

David Magadini asked that the full text of his comments from the May 28th meeting be put in the minutes. David said that he tried to attend a Planning Board Meeting and the door was locked after the meeting commenced. He said that this is highly inappropriate.

6. PUBLIC HEARING:

- A. PATRICIA NAVARINO, 6 BURNING TREE ROAD, GREAT BARRINGTON, MA FOR A SPECIAL PERMIT TO OPERATE A NON-EXEMPT EDUCATIONAL USE IN A B2 ZONING DISTRICT AT JENIFER HOUSE COMMONS, UNIT 1A AND 2A, 420 STOCKBRIDGE ROAD, GREAT BARRINGTON, MA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 3.1.4 B (8), 7.6 AND 10.4 OF THE GREAT BARRINGTON ZONING BYLAW. (DISCUSSION/VOTE)

a. Open Public Hearing

MOTION: Deb Phillips to open the public hearing

SECOND: Steve Bannon

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dan Bailly – yes

Andrew Blechman – yes

Steve Bannon – yes

Deb Phillips – yes

Sean Stanton – yes

VOTE: 5-0

b. Explanation of Project: Nick Navarino spoke about the history of the art school. He said that the center will be for all ages and the programs will be community based.

c. Speak in Favor/Opposition – None

d. Motion to Close Public Hearing

MOTION: Deb Phillips to close the public hearing

SECOND: Steve Bannon

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dan Bailly – yes

Andrew Blechman – yes

Steve Bannon – yes

Deb Phillips – yes

Sean Stanton – yes

VOTE: 5-0

e. Motion re: Findings

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the finding of facts of Special Permit #810-13 for Patricia Navarino / RAS Holdings, as submitted and referenced as Exhibit A, with the finding that the benefits of the proposal outweigh any possible detrimental impacts.

SECOND: Steve Bannon

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dan Bailly – yes
Andrew Blechman – yes
Steve Bannon – yes
Deb Phillips – yes
Sean Stanton – yes
VOTE: 5-0

f. Motion re: Approval/Denial/Table

MOTION: Deb Phillips – in view of the approved findings, move to approve Special Permit # 810-13 for Patricia Navarino, RAS Holdings, 6 Butternut Tree Rd., Great Barrington, MA, to operate a non-exempt educational use in a B2 zoning district at Jennifer House Commons, Unit 1 A and 2 A, 420 Stockbridge Rd., Great Barrington, in accordance with sections 3.1.4 B(8), 7.6, and 10.4 of the Great Barrington Zoning Bylaw.

SECOND: Steve Bannon

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dan Bailly – yes
Andrew Blechman – yes
Steve Bannon – yes
Deb Phillips – yes
Sean Stanton – yes
VOTE: 5-0

EXHIBIT A

**SPECIAL PERMIT
FINDINGS**

Re: SP #810-13
Applicant(s): Patricia Navarino / Renaissance Arts School / RAS Holdings
Site: 420 Stockbridge Road, Great Barrington, MA

A. Introduction

Special Permit #810-13 was filed by Patricia Navarino, RAS Holdings, LLC to operate an Arts School at the Jenifer House Commons, 420 Stockbridge Road. The site is in a B2 zone and the use, classified as an “educational use, non-exempt” use, requires a Special Permit from the Board of Selectmen, per Sections 3.1.4, B(8), 7.6, and 10.4 of the Great Barrington Zoning Bylaw.

B. General Findings

The Applicant owns the property, a condominium unit within Jenifer House Commons. The site is in the B2 zoning district. The site consists of several restaurants and retail stores, as well as religious and catering facilities used periodically. The only proposed changes are to the interior of the unit in which the school will operate. There are no proposed changes to landscaping, drainage, lighting, or to the exterior materials or dimensions of the building.

The Applicant indicates their primary education model is one on one instruction in small classes. There are not more than approximately four or five students in session at any one time. The site has more than enough parking for the proposed school in addition to the other uses on the site.

The Applicant has submitted a brief narrative regarding the potential impacts of the proposed educational use, per the eight questions set forth in Section 7.6 of the Zoning Bylaw.

The Planning Board approved, without conditions, the site plan for this proposal, per Section 10.5, and made a favorable recommendation on this special permit application. The Conservation Commission noted that the proposed work it is not in the Commission’s jurisdiction. The Board of Health has made a favorable recommendation on this application. The staff Development Review Team has no concerns with this application.

C. Special Permit Criteria and Specific Findings

Per §10.4.2 of the Zoning Bylaw, granting of a special permit requires a written determination by the Special Permit Granting Authority “that the adverse effects of the proposed use will not outweigh its beneficial impacts to the town or the neighborhood, in view of the particular characteristics of the site, and of the proposal in relation to that site.” The six criteria and the Board’s considerations in relation each are detailed below:

1. Social, economic, or community needs which are served by the proposal.
 - The proposal allows for an educational use which has an excellent track record of preparing students for higher education.
2. Traffic flow and safety, including parking and loading.
 - There will be no detrimental impact to traffic safety. The site is an existing commercial area and has adequate access and traffic flow. There is adequate parking on site.
3. Adequacy of utilities and other public services

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- There are no detrimental impacts on other utilities or public services.
4. Neighborhood character and social structures.
 - The proposal reuses an existing building and contributes an educational use to the community.
 5. Impacts on the natural environment.
 - The proposal has no impacts on the environment.
 6. Potential fiscal impact, including impact on town services, tax base, and employment.
 - The proposal will be a positive impact on town services. It is a tax-paying business, and employs art instructors. It will have only a small demand on municipal utilities.

Specific Findings:

In consideration of the above Findings, this Board finds that the benefits of the proposal outweigh any possible detrimental impacts.

D. Proposed Conditions

- None

B. JAY FISHER, ACCUBRANCH, LLC, AS AGENT FOR SALISBURY BANK AND TRUST CO., 5 BISSELL STREET, LAKEVILLE, CT, FOR EXTERIOR CHANGES, NEW CONSTRUCTION AND A REMOTE TELLER AS AN ACCESSORY DRIVEUP FACILITY, FOR A BANK BRANCH OFFICE AT 210 MAIN STREET, GREAT BARRINGTON, MA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTIONS 3.1.4 G(5), 9.6 AND 10.4 OF THE GREAT BARRINGTON ZONING BYLAW. (DISCUSSION/VOTE)

a. Open Public Hearing

MOTION: Deb Phillips to open the public hearing

SECOND: Steve Bannon

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dan Bailly – yes

Andrew Blechman – yes

Steve Bannon – yes

Deb Phillips – yes

Sean Stanton – yes

VOTE: 5-0

b. Explanation of Project – Jay Fisher, representing Salisbury Bank and Trust Co. asked for the approval to convert the current property. There are 5 conditions on the special permit.

A site plan was given to the Selectboard and reviewed in detail. There will be complimentary landscaping to go with the Main Street Reconstruction Plan.

c. Speak in Favor/Opposition – None

d. Motion to Close Public Hearing

MOTION: Deb Phillips to close the public hearing

SECOND: Steve Bannon

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dan Bailly – yes

Andrew Blechman – yes

Steve Bannon – yes

Deb Phillips – yes

Sean Stanton – yes

VOTE: 5-0

e. Motion re: Findings

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the Findings for Special Permit #809-13 for Jay Fisher, Accubbranch, LLC, as Agent for Salisbury Bank and Trust Co., as submitted and referenced as Exhibit A, with the findings that the proposal meets the criteria of the Village Center Overlay District and the benefits of the proposal outweigh any possible detrimental impacts.

SECOND: Steve Bannon

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dan Bailly – yes

Andrew Blechman – yes

Steve Bannon – yes

Deb Phillips – yes

Sean Stanton – yes

VOTE: 5-0

f. Motion re: Approval/Denial/Table

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve Special Permit #809-13, in view of approved findings, with the 5 listed conditions.

SECOND: Steve Bannon

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dan Bailly – yes

Andrew Blechman – yes

Steve Bannon – yes

Deb Phillips – yes

Sean Stanton – yes

VOTE: 5-0

EXHIBIT A **SPECIAL PERMIT
FINDINGS**

Re: **SP #809-13**
Applicant(s): **Jay Fisher, Accubranch, LLC, as Agent for Salisbury Bank and Trust Co.**
Site: **210 Main Street, Great Barrington, MA**

A. Introduction

Special Permit application #809-13 was filed on May 13, 2013 by Jay Fisher, Accubranch, LLC, as Agent for Salisbury Bank and Trust Co., 5 Bissell Street, Lakeville, CT, for exterior changes, new construction, and a remote teller as an accessory drive-up facility, for a bank branch office at 210 Main Street, Great Barrington, MA, in accordance with Sections 3.1.4 G(5), 9.6, and 10.4 of the Great Barrington Zoning Bylaw.

B. General Findings

Applicant seeks to convert the existing Arnoff Pack and Ship retail store at 210 Main Street into a bank branch office, and construct a drive-through remote teller along the south side of the building. The Applicant is applying with the permission of the property owner.

The site is in the B-2 and Village Center Overlay District (VCOD). The proposed drive-through has been ruled by the Building Commissioner to be an accessory to the office use, and as such requires a special permit per 3.1.4 G(5) of the Zoning Bylaw. The proposed exterior changes and new construction also require a special permit, per the VCOD, Section 9.6.

The existing brick façade will be replaced with clapboard. Landscaping is proposed for the front of the site to minimize impervious surfaces, provide a pleasing appearance to the front parking area, and to meld with the proposed Main Street Reconstruction improvements.

The building footprint is approximately 1,500 square feet, gross. The parking requirement of five spaces is met on-site. Additional parking is provided through a shared parking agreement with the abutting property, Reid Cleaners.

The Planning Board approved, with conditions, the site plan for this proposal, per Section 10.5, and made a favorable recommendation on this special permit application. The downtown Design Advisory Committee has sent a favorable recommendation to the Board of Selectmen. The Conservation Commission noted that the proposed work it is not in the Commission's jurisdiction. The Board of Health has made a favorable recommendation on this application. The staff Development Review Team has no concerns with this application. The building is not in a Local Historic District.

C. Special Permit Criteria and Specific Findings

Village Center Overlay District

Per §9.6.5 of the Zoning Bylaw, granting of a special permit in the VCOD requires a determination by the Special Permit Granting Authority that the proposed use meets the following criteria, to the extent practicable. The three criteria and the Board's considerations in relation to each are detailed below:

1. Improves village vitality and walkability;
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1. Improves village vitality and walkability;
 - The proposal alters the existing building in a manner appropriate to the downtown

area, and it includes landscaping and adequate sidewalk access that will promote walkability on the public sidewalk and within the site itself.

2. Promotes mixed-use; and
 - The proposal does not propose mixed use, as the entire building will be used as office without a residential use, in keeping with the existing retail/office combination.
3. Promotes economic revitalization.
 - The changes to the structure and the landscaping will enhance the attractiveness of the site and the surrounding area.

Specific Finding:

In consideration of the above criteria, this Board finds that proposal meets the criteria of the village Center Overlay District to the extent practicable.

Special Permits

Per §10.4.2 of the Zoning Bylaw, granting of any special permit requires a determination by the Special Permit Granting Authority "that the adverse effects of the proposed use will not outweigh its beneficial impacts to the town or the neighborhood, in view of the particular characteristics of the site, and of the proposal in relation to that site." The six criteria and the Board's considerations in relation each are detailed below:

1. Social, economic, or community needs which are served by the proposal.
 - The proposal will allow for the expansion of a local institution serving the banking needs of the community.
2. Traffic flow and safety, including parking and loading.
 - There will be no detrimental impact to traffic safety. The proposed traffic circulation into and out of the proposed drive-up teller and the site in general, and the proposed parking and landscaping improvements, are an improvement over the existing situation, and will not generate significantly more traffic than already exists at the location. There is adequate parking proposed on site.
3. Adequacy of utilities and other public services
 - The public water and sewer are adequate to serve the proposed use. The public streets and sidewalks are also adequate to serve the proposed use. There are no detrimental impacts on other utilities or public services.
4. Neighborhood character and social structures.
 - The proposal will reuse an existing building, enhance the vitality and walkability of the area. Lighting will be minimized by turning off the lights after business hours.
5. Impacts on the natural environment.
 - The proposal has no detrimental impacts on the environment. Landscaping reduces the impervious surfaces overall, and the planting areas will be used to infiltrate a portion of the stormwater runoff. The proposal will protect existing monitoring wells.
6. Potential fiscal impact, including impact on town services, tax base, and employment.
 - The proposal will be a positive impact on town services. It is a tax-paying business, and employer.

Specific Finding:

In consideration of the above Findings, this Board finds that the benefits of the proposal outweigh any possible detrimental impacts.

D. Proposed Conditions

The following conditions are placed on this special permit in keeping with the Planning Board's Site Plan Review conditions:

1. The site signage will include indication that the entrance to the drive-up teller is off of Rosseter Street.
2. The pedestrian crossing across the parking lot from Main Street to the front door will be painted or striped.
3. The existing monitoring wells as shown on the site plans will be protected during construction and accessible after construction.
4. There will be one or more gaps in the curbing in the front yard to allow site drainage to percolate into the landscaping beds along the front of the site.
5. The lights and video console of the remote drive-up teller will be turned off during non-business hours.

7. LICENSES OR PERMITS:

A.

KATIE BURKLE AND MOLLY DE ST. ANDRE/GREAT BARRINGTON ARTS MARKET FOR TEMPORARY WEEKDAY OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FOR 6/29/13; 7/6/13; 7/13/13; 7/20/13; 8/3/13; 8/17/13; 8/31/13 AND 9/21/13 FROM 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM IN THE PARKING LOT OF LIFE WORKS STUDIO, 50 CASTLE STREET. (DISCUSSION/VOTE)

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the license

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

B.

THE BRICK HOUSE PUB D/B/A THE BRICK HOUSE PUB INC. FOR A **CHANGE OF DATE** ON THE TEMPORARY OUTDOOR WEEKDAY ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FROM **JULY 20, 2013**, 12:00 PM TO 6:00 PM TO **JULY 13, 2013** FROM 12:00 PM T 6:00 PM AT 425 PARK STREET, HOUSATONIC. (DISCUSSION/VOTE)

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the change of date on the license

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

C.

LINDA B. DAY/GREAT BARRINGTON ROTARY CLUB AND BERKSHIRE AVIATION FOR TEMPORARY WEEKDAY OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FOR SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2013 FROM 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM AT GREAT BARRINGTON AIRPORT, 70 EGREMONT PLAIN ROAD. (DISCUSSION/VOTE)

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the license

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

D.

LINDA B. DAY/GREAT BARRINGTON ROTARY CLUB AND BERKSHIRE AVIATION FOR TEMPORARY SUNDAY OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2013 (RAIN DATE) FROM 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM AT GREAT BARRINGTON AIRPORT, 70 EGREMONT PLAIN ROAD. (DISCUSSION/VOTE)

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the license

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

E.

BRIAN HOSKEER FOR A DRIVEWAY PERMIT AT 175' EAST OF MONUMENT VALLEY ROAD ON NORTH SIDE OF ALCOTT ROAD. (DISCUSSION/VOTE)

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the permit with conditions as noted.

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

F. BOS – FY 2014 Appointments

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the appointment of Frederic Gordon, Vivian Orłowski, Barbara Zheutlin, and Hilda Banks Shapiro to the Agricultural Commission

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the appointment of Linda Coons to the Board of Registrars

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the appointment of Michael Wise and Hilda Banks Shapiro to the Cultural Council.

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the appointment by the Town Manager of David Shanahan and Andrew Mankin to the Conservation Commission

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the appointment of Jonathan Hankin and Marilyn Kalish to the Design Advisory Committee.

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the appointment of Harold Shaw to be a Fence Viewer

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the appointment of James Mercer to the Historic District Commission

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the Town Managers appointment of Donald Howe and David Rutstein to the Historical Commission

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

MOTION: Steve Bannon to approve the appointment of Hilda Banks Shapiro, Michael Wise and Jessica Wikle to the Tree Committee

SECOND: Dan Bailly

VOTE: 4-0-1 Deb Phillips recused herself

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the appointment of John Katz to the ZBA pending appointment by the ZBA.

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A.

A. BOS AND PLANNING BOARD/JOINT APPOINTMENT OF ASSOCIATE MEMBER TO THE PLANNING BOARD. (DISCUSSION/VOTE)

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the appointment of Malcolm Fick as the Associate member to the Planning Board.

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

B.

EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT WITH CET FOR HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE COLLECTION. (DISCUSSION/VOTE)

MOTION: Deb Phillips to approve the extension of the agreement with CET

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

C.

1. JENISE LUCEY/BERKSHIRE SOUTH REGIONAL COMMUNITY CENTER – PRESENTATION.

Jenise Lucey – Executive Director of Berkshire South Regional Community Center said that the center is celebrating its 11th birthday this July. This year, she applied for Grant-in-aid funds to cover 20% of costs that the center provides to those who are in need in Great Barrington. Out of 300 financial aid applicants, half are resident of Great Barrington. Jenise thanked the Selectboard for the \$3000 that the Community Center received. She also invited all to come down and see the center and all of the activities that are offered and to become more active in their work.

D. Energy Committee – Solarize Mass. Program

Beth Moser representing the Energy Committee spoke about the state program- Solarize Mass. This program requires the involvement of town leadership. The application for this program is due in early Fall. This program brings competitively priced solar energy to homes and businesses. As a result of this program, solar use has doubled. There are 2 requirements for this program: naming of a municipal representative and naming a solar coach.

Deb Phillips said that the solar coach usually requires a \$500 stipend. She said that the Selectboard needs to decide if they want to invest and how much to spend; possibly increasing the stipend. She said that the Selectboard also needs to choose a municipal agent.

Sean Stanton suggested asking someone from a town that currently participates in this program, come and speak.

All agree to try to get this on the July agenda.

Dan Bailly said that he supports participating in the program and suggested that the Selectboard state their position on solar energy and make sure that they are in line with the Master Plan.

Alana Chernila asked the Selectboard to reduce the number of members that are on the Energy Committee. It has been hard to make a quorum with members not coming to the meetings. Alana also said that it is important to have a Selectboard member on the Committee.

Sean Stanton said that he will get a list of the active members on the Energy Committee and also a copy of their resolution.

The Selectboard agreed that they need to advertise open positions in a different way. This discussion will be put on a future agenda.

E.

BOS – RECOMMENDATION TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ON THE SPECIAL PERMIT APPLICATION OF BERKSHIRE AVIATION ENTERPRISES FOR PROPERTY AT 70 EGREMONT ROAD TO BUILD A DECK AND DISABLED ACCESS RAMP ONTO THE EXISTING OFFICE BUILDING IN THE R-4 ZONE. (DISCUSSION/VOTE)

The Selectboard decided not to comment since the applicant did not come to the meeting.

MOTION: Deb Phillips to table until the July 8th meeting and ask the applicant to be present to answer any questions that there may be.

SECOND: Steve Bannon

VOTE: 5-0

9. OLD BUSINESS:

A. There was discussion regarding the process of the decisions around this extension. Steve Bannon said there will be closing comments from merchants by July 8th. There will be a final vote about this by the end of July.

MOTION: Steve Bannon to approve the 12th amendment with the goal to vote at the July 22nd meeting and invite all to the meeting.

SECOND: Deb Phillips

VOTE: 4-1 Dan Bailly against

10. SELECTMEN'S TIME:

Dan Bailly said to 'finish what we started.'

11. MEDIA TIME: none

12. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Deb Phillips, seconded by Steve Bannon, the Board adjourned its meeting at 9:12 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cara Becker".

Cara Becker

Recording Secretary