

**SELECT BOARD
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024
2nd FLOOR MEETING ROOM
TOWN HALL
816 MAIN ROAD
6:00 P.M.**

6:00 p.m. Call To order & Pledge of Allegiance

Under MGL Chapter 30A, section 20(f) – this meeting is being recorded.

Welcome Comments from the Chair

Acknowledgments & Recognitions

1. Appointments and Resignations

- a. Request from Chief Dunn to accept the retirement request of Lt. Johnny P. Couto, effective April 1, 2024, and appoint as a Reserve Police Officer effective April 1, 2024.
- b. Request from Henry Lanier to be appointed to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund for the term ending June 30, 2024.
- c. Request from Kristin Stinson, Town Clerk to appoint the following poll workers effective March 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024:
Democratic: Ann Maguire, Stephen Anderson, Phyllis Michalewich, Diane Maynard, Barbara Marcotte, Claudette Bisson,Carolynn Baker, Merline Toupin, Yvette Leverett, Eileen Moncrief, Dennis Velozo, Stephen McGuinness, Gay Gillespie, Denise Ward, Almerinda Tenchara(Nina), Anne Holterman, Maureen Murphy & Wilfred (Tim) St. Michel
Republican: Amy Lawton, Marilyn Simons, Doris Peacor, Paul Trial, Paul Mann, Carin Wehrmeister , Marjorie Pavao & Evelyn Mercier
Unenrolled: Jean Maguire, Dianne Forti, Beverly Schuch, David Lalima, Denise Toohey, Reginald Deschenes, Patricia Souza, Caroline Cooper, Joan Hopkins, Janet Sharp Kershaw, Carol Borden, Dawn Campbell, Edward Reiss, John Gifford, Maureen Bouris, Peter Campbell, Richard Collette & Beth Kilanowich.

2. Action Items

- a. Request to approve the proposition 2 ½ debt exclusion ballot question for the April 9, 2024, Town Election.
- b. Assign Select Board Member(s) to negotiate Town Administrator’s Contract.
- c. Request to use \$478,000 of the Bristol County Recovery Plan Act Funds for design and bidding for water and sewer systems for the neighborhood on the south side of Route 6, between Gifford Road and Sylvana Street.
- d. Request from the Council on Aging to accept the following donations totaling \$465
\$10 Paul Canuel Outreach
\$10 Simone Blanchette Outreach
\$25 Joanne Bettencourt In Memory of Elsa Cory
\$50 James Gracia In Memory of Alice Rezendes
\$100 Linda Eastwood In Memory of Alice Rezendes

\$100	Kathy Rego	In Memory of Alice Rezendes
\$50	Louann Nygaard	In Memory of Alice Rezendes
\$10	Richard Manchester	Best Use
\$10	Maria Botelho	Outreach
\$100	Norma Reinhard	Yoga Boosters

- e. East Beach Electrical Permit Fee Clarification.
- f. Request from the Planning Board for Select Board comments and recommendations on a Site Plan Approval Low Impact Development application for property located on the southwest of Soules Way, Assessor’s Map 57, Lots 19 & 24.

3. Discussion

- a. Review Town Meeting Warrant Articles
- b. Budget Update & Recommendations for Free Cash Allocation

4. Town Administrator Report

5. Approve Minutes

6. Report on Bill Warrant

7. Selectmen Liaison Committee Reports & Suggestions for Future Agenda Discussion / Action

8. Comments and Statements

9. Boards/Committees/Commissions Vacancy List

10. Topics not reasonably anticipated forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting.

- 11. Executive Session** – pursuant to the provisions of MGL c 30A section 21(a), Chair declares an open meeting will have a detrimental effect to:
- a. Discuss strategy with respect to litigation Riley vs. Town of Westport

Adjournment

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Boards/Committees/Commissions Vacancy List

****Committee members with terms that end in June should advise if they wish to continue****

- ADA Transition Plan Committee – 1 Vacancy
- Agricultural Commission Alternate – 2 Vacancies (Alternate)
- Bike / Walking Path Committee - 2 vacancies.
- Economic Development Task Force - 3 vacancies
- Energy Committee – 2 vacancies.
- Fence Viewers – 1 vacancy.
- Safety Regulation Board - 1 vacancy.

**** Committees are kindly requested to advise who serves as chair, vice chair and clerk ****

****PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT ATTACHED****