

**AGENDA  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**REMOTE PARTICIPATION**

**Monday April 26, 2021**

**6:00 PM**

**DUE TO THE ONGOING COVID-19 CORONA VIRUS OUTBREAK,  
THIS MEETING WILL BE BY REMOTE PARTICIPATION ONLY**

INTERESTED PARTIES ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE:

JOIN BY COMPUTER: <https://meet.google.com/ypq-nfje-szt>

OR BY PHONE: 562-232-9371 enter PIN when asked: 417 164 821#

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

**Chair's Announcement** – Under MGL Chapter 30A, section 20(f) – Meeting being recorded. Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the **Westport Board of Selectmen** is being conducted via remote participation. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for in the Order. A reminder that persons who would like to listen to or view this meeting while in progress may do so by following the remote links listed on the posting on line. A recording will be posted on the town's website.

**1. Acknowledgments & Recognitions**

- a. Recognition of Elinor Lewis Gay on her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday on March 23, 2021.
- b. Eagle Scout Recognitions: Quinn Joseph Sullivan; Caleb John Martin; Jay Manuel Raposa II; and David Michael Viveiros, Jr.

**2. Board of Selectmen Reorganization.**

Election of Chair, Vice-Chair and Clerk.

**3. Updates**

- a. COVID-19
- b. Reopening of Town Buildings.
- c. Update on in-person Town Board and Committee meetings.

**6:05 pm**

**4. Licenses/Permits.**

- a. **Public Hearing.** Request approval on an application by Westport Towne Hospitality, LLC DBA Towne Place Suites located at 41 Old Bedford Road for an on-premises Section 12, Hotel, annual Wine and Malt Alcohol License, Richard LaFrance, Manager.
- b. **Public Hearing.** Request approval on an application amendment by NCES, Inc. DBA Village Pizza, located at 760 Main Road, Westport, MA, for change of Class from On-premises Seasonal to On-premises Annual of a Section 12, Wine and Malt Alcohol License, Neil T. Cesario, Manager.
- c. Request approval for a Common Victualler license for Small Town Grill, located at 760 Main Road, Christopher Cotta, owner.

- d. Request from the Holy Ghost Club for a One-day all-liquor license for club fundraising outdoor events on May 16, June 4, July 10 and 11 2021.
- e. Request approval for a 6-month recreational trailer permit located at 46 East Beach Road owned by John Pedro Albernaz.

**5. Discussion**

- a. South Watuppa Pond Study presentation – Representative Paul Schmid and Dr. Brian Howes.
- b. Budget FY 2022.
- c. Westport Harbor Water Association – Caroline Fenn and Thomas Gebhard.

**6. Action Items**

- a. Request approval of the Local Initiative Program application for the Sodom Road duplex project.
- b. Request approval for Veteran’s Monument at Beech Grove Cemetery.
- c. Approve Employment Agreement for Veteran’s Service Officer, Carol Freitas.
- d. Request approval to conduct the Westport Farmer’s Market at the Annex south parking lot 856 Main Road on Saturdays June 12 through October 9, 2021 and an indoor farmer’s market Saturdays November 13 through December 18, 2021 from 9-1pm and permission to hang a banner over Main Road and on the playground fence.
- e. Request approval and endorsement of Conservation Restriction for the Angeline Brook Headwaters Conservation Restriction 55.5 acres (Plat 69, Lots 6, 7 and Parcel G) off Meadowbrook Lane.
- f. Request to add an article to 2021 Annual Town Meeting warrant for the Angeline Brook Headwaters Part 2 Land Conservation Project (Meadowbrook Lane) to enable the Town Conservation Commission to use a federal grant to purchase a conservation restriction over a parcel of land of approximately 25.65 ± acres Lot 118A Plan Book 181, Page 60 to protect natural resources, wildlife habitat, Angeline Brook and wetlands and enable public access for passive recreational activities and connect to other conservation lands.
- g. Request approval for a Conservation Restriction on a 45.16 +/- acre parcel of land off Cornell Road as shown on ANR Plan Book 182, Page 3 Lot 2, Assessor’s Map 82 Lots 38 & 35, 32\_0 .
- h. Request to accept donations for the food pantry through the Recreation Department for a total of \$450.00 from William L. Pardee - \$50; Cash from various anonymous donors - \$400.
- i. Request for release of Chapter 61B land Szaro - Map 70 Lot 16B, off Main Road.
- j. Request for release of Chapter 61A land Meader - Map 87 Lot 87B 576 River Road.
- k. Request for release of Chapter 61A land Meader - Map 87 Lot 87C 578 River Road.
- l. Board of Selectmen Recommendations for Town Meeting Articles 5 & 6 (Capital Improvement Articles).

**7. Appointments and Resignations**

- a. Request to appoint James Hartnett to the Joint Transportation Planning Group and to appoint Chris Gonsalves as alternate.
- b. Request to appoint Steve Souza as Cemetery Foreman.
- c. Request to appoint Ronald Porte and Jason St Pierre as Seasonal Cemetery laborers.

**8. Town Administrator Report**

**9. Approve Minutes**

**10. Report on Bill Warrant**

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

**12. Boards/Committees/Commissions Vacancy List**

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

**14. Comments and Statements.**

- 15. 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 collective bargaining unit, WPFPA Local 1802 Westport Firefighters (3)
  - b. Discuss the Director of Public Health Employment Agreement. (2)
  - c. Discuss the Town Nurse Employment Agreement. (2)
  - d. Approve Executive Session Minutes April 12, 2021.

**Adjournment**

*Original posting with Town Clerk was on 4/22/21 at 12:47 pm*

**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 (COD Rep).

Agricultural/Open Space Preservation Trust Fund Council – 1 vacancy (CIPC Rep)

Agricultural Commission Alternate – 2 Vacancies.

Bike / Walking Path Committee - 2 vacancies.

Board of Appeals – 1 associate member vacancy.

Capital Improvements Planning Committee – 1 vacancy (Business)

Energy Committee – 3 vacancies.

Fence Viewers – 1 vacancy.

Personnel Board – 2 vacancies.

Recreation Commission – 3 vacancies.

Safety Regulation Board - 1 vacancy.

Tax Incentive Program Committee (1 vacancy –Westport Economic Development Task Force Rep).

Westport Citizen’s Betterment Committee – 1 vacancy.

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