



**Town of West Newbury
Board of Selectmen**

Monday, September 28, 2020 @ 7:00pm

381 Main Street, Town Office Building

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Minutes of Meeting

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Open Session: 7pm by remote participation (see below)

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Zoom Meeting

Phone: (646) 558-8656

Meeting ID: 974-0893-1425

Passcode: 012155

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The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chairman David Archibald.

Announcements:

- This meeting is being broadcast on local cable TV and recorded for rebroadcast on the local cable channels and on the internet. Meeting also accessible by remote participation.
- Fall Special Town Meeting – Saturday, October 17, 2020 at 10am, Bandstand/Bachelor Street fields
 - Rain date of Sunday, October 18, 2020 at 10am.
- Call for volunteers: seeking members for Finance Committee, ZBA (Associate Member), etc.
- Reminder to subscribe for emailed Town news/announcements at <https://www.wnewbury.org/subscribe>

Participation at the Meeting:

- ❖ Board of Selectmen: David Archibald, Glenn Kemper and Richard Parker
- ❖ Finance Committee: Gary Roberts, Nathan Kelly, Jessica Knezek, Jim Sperelakis and Joseph Heyman
- ❖ Town Moderator KC Swallow
- ❖ Town Clerk/Counsel & Procurement Officer, Michael McCarron
- ❖ Town Manager Angus Jennings
- ❖ Forbes Durey

Regular Business

- A. Joint meeting with the Finance Committee, Town Moderator, Town Clerk/Counsel and Town Manager to review the 2020 Special Town Warrant and Meeting set for Saturday, October 17, 2020

Discussion took place regarding the 10am start time and the possibility of a later start to allow for the weather to warm up. Majority felt that keeping the earlier start time would be preferred.

Chairman Archibald referred to the 2020 Fall STM Warrant - DRAFT 9-24-20 contained in the agenda packet.

ARTICLE 1:

Town Manager Angus Jennings stated there have been no requests to make a report at this time. A call for reports will be made to all BCCs tomorrow with the requirement that they provide notice of intent to make a report by Monday, October 5, 2020. A limit of 5 minutes will be set.

ARTICLE 2:

- FinCom Recommendation: Approve: 4-0-1
- Selectmen Recommendation: Approve: 3-0-0

ARTICLE 3: Article will be treated like an amendment to the omnibus budget. Moderator KC Swallow will review only those lines affected allowing for “holds”. An appendix will lay out the details. Language will be finalized tomorrow so FinCom can complete their booklet.

- FinCom Recommendation: Approve: 5-0-0
- Selectmen Recommendation: Approve: 3-0-0

ARTICLE 4: An explanation will be in the FinCom booklet helping voters to understand what the overlay is.

- FinCom Recommendation: Approve: 5-0-0
- Selectmen Recommendation: Approve: 3-0-0

ARTICLE 5:

- FinCom Recommendation: Approve: 5-0-0
- Selectmen Recommendation: Approve: 3-0-0

ARTICLE 6: Town Manager Jennings noted that CIC met last week and also unanimously voted in support of this article. Sunset end of FY23.

- FinCom Recommendation: Approve: 5-0-0
- Selectmen Recommendation: Approve: 3-0-0

ARTICLE 7: Moderator KC Swallow felt that the motion, as written, is too vague and suggested an amendment to include reference to the Rescue Truck.

- FinCom Recommendation: Approve: 5-0-0
- Selectmen Recommendation: Approve: 3-0-0

ARTICLE 8:

- FinCom Recommendation: No Vote
- Selectmen Recommendation: Approve 3-0-0

Motion was made by Selectman Glenn Kemper to approve the 2020 Fall STM Warrant with amendments to article 3 and article 7 as set forth tonight, Seconded by Selectman Richard Parker.

Yes 3, No 0

- B. Public Hearing: Announcement that the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation is considering acquiring a conservation restriction on 38+/- acres of land located adjacent to the Artichoke Reservoir in the Town of West Newbury, for conservation and/or recreation purposes, as shown on the locus map marked as "Exhibit A" posted to the Town of West Newbury website and available for public review through the Town Clerk's office

Motion was made by Selectman Glenn Kemper to enter into Public Hearing, Seconded by Chairman David Archibald.

Yes 3, No 0

Chairman David Archibald announced, pursuant to 301 CMR 51.00, that the Department of Conservation and Recreation may acquire a conservation restriction on land located in the Town of West Newbury as shown on the locus map marked as "Exhibit A" (contained in the agenda packet) for conservation and/or recreation purposes.

Motion was made by Selectman Glenn Kemper to close Public Hearing, Seconded by Chairman Richard Parker.

Yes 3, No 0

- C. Update on contract status with architect/designer for Preservation and Restoration of the Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Building

Town Manager Jennings stated that quite a bit of progress has been made in the last week. Mark R. Reich, Esq. of KP Law has been engaged and shares the belief of Town Council Michael McCarron that the Town not use the AIA contract template but instead use a contract developed specifically for the Town. Following on conversations with Michael McCarron, a draft contract was received from KP Law on Friday. A proposed contract should be complete this week.

- D. Follow up meeting assignments; and placing items for future agendas

Contracts; Request for Appointment to COA; BOH recommendations for Halloween.

Motion was made by Selectman Glenn Kemper, seconded by Selectman Richard Parker to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Yes 3, No 0

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Walsh

Approved 3-0 by Board of Selectmen on 11-02-2020