



Town of West Newbury
Board of Selectmen
Monday, January 4, 2021 @ 5:00pm
381 Main Street, Town Office Building
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AGENDA

Executive Session: 5:00pm by remote participation

- ❖ MGL Ch. 30A §21(a) 3: To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares (*potential litigation; Police Union contract; Dispatch Union contract*);
- ❖ MGL Ch. 30A §21(a) 2: To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel (*FY21 wages; Town Manager contract*);
- ❖ MGL Ch. 30A §21(a) 6: To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body (*Updates on draft Artichoke River Woods Conservation Restriction; open space priorities*).

The Board will take a brief recess between the Executive Session and the Open Session beginning at 7 PM.

Open Session: 7:00pm by remote participation (see below)

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; instructions below.
- Thanks for so many generous donations to the West Newbury Food Pantry Gift Account!!!
- Christmas/Holiday Tree disposal – G. Mello one-time curbside pickup scheduled for January 8, 2021
- Notice of upcoming programming at the G.A.R. Memorial Library – more details on Town website
- Call for FY20 Town Reports: Boards/Commissions/Committees
- Reminder to subscribe for emailed Town news/announcements at <https://www.wnewbury.org/subscribe>

Regular Business

- A. Request for appointment of Jen Pepper to Cultural Council
- B. Updates regarding coronavirus pandemic / COVID-19, including regarding CARES Act extension
- C. Presentation of FY19, FY20 Audits – *Tony Roselli, Roselli, Clark & Associates CPAs*
- D. Request for authorization to submit DFS grant to support purchase of Jaws of Life – *Fire Chief Dwyer*
- E. Request to accept trail easement for Drake's Landing development – *Cottage Advisors*
- F. Review of COVID-related parking restrictions at Mill Pond / Pipestave (*cont'd from 12/14*)
- G. Discussion of resident concern regarding parking on Moulton Street near the reservoir
- H. Middle Street Bridge updates and Notice of Intent filing with WN and Newburyport ConComms
- I. Discussion of FY22 budget schedule
- J. Meeting minutes: November 30, 2020; December 7, 2020; December 14, 2020

Town Manager Updates

- K. Updates regarding Soldiers & Sailors Building design process and timeline
- L. FY21 tax rate and regional comparative data
- M. FY20 OPEB actuarial report
- N. Discussion of schedule for completion of Electric Vehicle charging stations at 1910 Building
- O. Notification of appointments: Christian Kuhn, Chief Assessor; Marie Felzani, temporary Clerical Assistant to Town Clerk
- P. Revisions to job descriptions: Chief Assessor; Assessor's Clerk; Clerical Assistant to Town Clerk
- Q. Follow up meeting assignments; and placing items for future agendas

Addendum to Meeting Notice regarding Remote Participation

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 23, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the West Newbury Board of Selectmen will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible.

Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on the Town of West Newbury website, at www.wnewbury.org. For this meeting, members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting may do so in the following manner:

Zoom Meeting

Phone: (646) 558 8656

Meeting ID: 957 0449 4113

Passcode: 094716

Join at <https://zoom.us/j/95704494113?pwd=QmptbnZ0YUIzOEpuZEtSV2xTTnBuUT09>

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 in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the West Newbury website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as practicable after the meeting.