



**Town of West Newbury
Select Board
Tuesday, January 18, 2022 @ 5:30pm**

381 Main Street, Town Office Building

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AGENDA

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Executive Session: 5:30pm in the 1910 Building, 381 Main Street, First Floor Conference Room

- ❖ 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 (*Police Chief search; Library staffing/wages; Water Dept. staffing; Town Manager/Finance Dept staffing*);
- ❖ 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 (*Police Union contract; Highway/DPW Union 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 (*31 Dole Place*);
- ❖ MGL Ch. 30A §21(a) 7: To comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements (*update on General Counsel – legal issues ongoing/under review*).

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

Open Session: 7:00pm by in-person attendance or remote participation (instructions 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.
- Regional Vaccination Clinics for COVID vaccination and booster shots. Town website for dates/details.
- Council on Aging Jan/Feb newsletter – updated office hours – resumption of weekly lunches – etc.
- Affordable Housing Trust Bylaw Committee – listening session – Wedn., Jan. 26 at 7pm (via zoom)
- Call for volunteers: current opportunities at <https://www.wnewbury.org/volunteer>
- Reminder to subscribe for emailed Town news/announcements at <https://www.wnewbury.org/subscribe>

Regular Business

- A. Request for appointment of Jill Hudson to Historic District Commission
- B. Discussion of Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Building
- C. Request to establish new “Whetstone Greenway Gift Account” and accept contribution of funds
- D. Update re consideration of public purchase of COVID-19 self-tests
- E. Anticipated submittal of Letter of Intent to seek Municipal Vulnerability Program (MVP) Action Grant
- F. Review of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) final rule: process to review potential allocations
- G. Set date for spring Annual and Special Town Meetings (ATM/STM); set date for closing of warrants
- H. Preliminary review of known/anticipated/potential ATM/STM warrant articles

Town Manager Updates

- I. Update on work toward preparing proposed FY23 operating budget and capital proposals
- J. Updates on personnel Wage/Classification Study
- K. Updates on Page School/Pipestave/Main Street safety audit
- L. Updates re Parks/Rec, incl. “Budget 101” memo and potential staffing/financial structure for Summer Rec Program
- M. Follow up meeting assignment; placing items for future agendas

Addendum to Meeting Notice regarding Remote Participation

Public participation in this meeting of the West Newbury Select Board will be available via remote participation. 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: 853 4063 4836

Passcode: 480140

Join at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85340634836?pwd=STRHcVRLNjJjengrRzhoYkNPNY1F2UT09>

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