



Town of West Newbury
Select Board
Tuesday, February 6, 2024 @ 5:30pm
381 Main Street, Town Office Building

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AGENDA

Executive Session: 5:30pm in 1910 Building, 381 Main Street: Town Manager's office

- ❖ 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 (*landlocked land off Main Street*);
- ❖ 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 (*potential intermunicipal agreement w/Newburyport re water; legal costs year-to-date*).

The Board may reconvene in Executive Session, after the conclusion of the Open Session, if needed.

Open Session: 6:00pm by in-person attendance or remote participation (instructions below) [NOTE 6PM START TIME]

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.
- Mill Pond Open House – Sat., Feb. 10, 10am-2pm. Roasted marshmallows, hot chocolate, snacks, hiking & more!
- Nomination papers available for local office- contact the Town Clerk's Office! townclerk@wnewbury.org or call or visit. Final day to obtain nomination papers: March 14, 2024.
- Call for volunteers! FY24 positions on Boards/Commissions/Committees. See www.wnewbury.org/volunteer
- Reminder to subscribe for emailed Town agendas/news/announcements at www.wnewbury.org/subscribe

Regular Business

- A. Public Comment. Limited to 2 minutes per resident on any topic. Please note that the Board will not discuss or take action on public comments at this meeting.
- B. Consent agenda
- C. Town Manager Updates
 - a. Updated schedule for presentation of proposed FY25 budget; preliminary updates as known, incl. receipt of proposed FY25 Pentucket budget
 - b. Addition of new focus area to Rte. 113 corridor planning: Ocean Meadow easement/Way to the River
 - c. Ash Street Traffic Management Plan submitted to NHESP
 - d. Executed contract with B2Q for Page School HVAC Repairs
 - e. Upcoming interior modifications to Old Town Hall for regulatory compliance
 - f. MMA Annual Conference, updates on information received/lessons learned
 - g. Updates on other ongoing/active projects/initiatives
- D. Department Updates/Discussion
 - a. Merrimack Valley "Vision Zero" Municipal Liaison meeting presentation, and upcoming meeting
 - b. Land Management & Planning working group
 - c. Town Planner Report
- E. Board/Commission/Committee Updates/Discussion (and Select Board liaison updates):
 - a. Update re PRSD Agreement working group
 - b. Update re Municipal Energy Aggregation – recent call with MassDOER
 - c. Closeout of Green Communities grant
 - d. Review status of remaining Board/Commission/Committee Questionnaires
- F. Action Items
 - a. Review of proposed/potential warrant articles for Spring Annual and Special Town Meeting
 - b. Vote to close Annual and Special Town Meeting Warrants
 - c. Referral of proposed capital articles to the Capital Improvements Committee
 - d. Decide whether to seek participation in Commercial Building Pilot Program
 - e. Vote to sign Presidential Primary Warrant
 - f. Request for authorization to submit MIIA Wellness Grant
- G. General Discussion Items
 - a. Request for top two State budget priorities for West Newbury, *Office of Representative Ramos*
 - b. Whittier Regional Technical High School updates
- H. Correspondence, including:
 - a. Attorney General approval received for remaining items from fall Special Town Meeting
 - b. Letter from MassDCR re required dam inspection, Mill Pond Dam
 - c. EV Stations monthly metrics report, Dec. 2023
- I. Future Agenda Items / Meeting follow-up assignments

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: 840 2165 4094

Passcode: 764597

Join at: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84021654094?pwd=a1oOLxFl2GN8zaiJjgwRhDho0acHbB.1>

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 of proceedings as soon as practicable after the meeting.

Posted Agenda on 2/2/2024 at the Town Offices and the Town's Official Website www.wnewbury.org