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**Town of West Newbury  
Board of Selectmen**

**Monday, September 16, 2019 @ 6pm**

2019 SEP 13 PM 11:15 381 Main Street, Town Office Building

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**AGENDA – revised** ←

At request of  
Planning Board,  
Item I Postponed  
to 9/30/19

**Executive Session:** 6pm in the Town Manager's Office

- ❖ 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 (*personnel updates*);
- ❖ 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 (*River Road Conservation Restriction; Brown Spring Farm Agricultural Preservation Restriction*);
- ❖ 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; (*Newburyport Bridge MOU; Planning Board request to engage special counsel*)

**Open Session:** 7pm in the First Floor Hearing Room

**Announcements:**

- This meeting is being broadcast on local cable TV and recorded for rebroadcast on the local cable channels and on the internet.
- *Essex County Creates* calendar; and Essex County Arts & Culture Summit Sept. 27 9am-4pm in Beverly
- Opportunities for FY20 Committee appointments posted online at <https://www.wnewbury.org/board-selectmen/pages/2019-20-volunteer-opportunities>
- FY20 Senior Tax Work-off Program: interested residents contact Theresa Woodbury at COA

**Regular Business**

- A. Presentation of Town Bicentennial photo and quilt – *Bicentennial Committee*
- B. Proclamation regarding Bethany Groff Dorau to honor her commitment to local history
- C. Request for One-Day Liquor License for Apple Harvest Road Race spaghetti dinner Oct. 5, 2019
- D. Updates regarding Middle/High School project – *Justin Bartholomew, PRSD Superintendent*
- E. Requests for Appointment to Tree Committee (5 openings): Fred Chanania; Barbara Haack; Margaret Hawkins (added to agenda); Kathy Mandeville; Jane Martin; Francesca Pomerantz; Claudia Woods
- F. Discussion of Memorial Day Parade, potential adoption of policies regarding parade participants
- G. Review and approval of Stormwater Management Plan and IDDE Program – *DPW Director*
- H. Presentation of draft Year 1 (FY19) MS4 Annual Report for review and comment – *DPW Director*
- I. ~~Meeting with Planning Board regarding public safety sign – requested by Planning Board~~
- J. Request to declare Town Hall Chairs surplus and authorize their disposition – *Historical Commission*
- K. Proposed adoption of updated Designer Selection Procedures (per M.G.L. c. 7C, §§ 44-58)
- L. Review and discussion of Soldiers & Sailors Memorial (Carr Post) CPC proposal, and financing options
- M. Review of known/potential warrant articles for Special Town Meeting
- N. Request for authorization to waive 15-day notice and confirmation process and to authorize the Town Manager to appoint the Assistant to the Town Manager and Finance Department position
- O. Vote to designate Board of Selectmen representative to approve A/P warrants on temporary basis
- P. Meeting minutes: September 3, 2019; August 19, 2019; August 5, 2019; June 27, 2019; June 24, 2019

**Town Manager Updates**

- Q. Update on staffing transitions and anticipated engagement of Interim Town Accountant
- R. Update on mosquitos and recent spraying
- S. Update on water quality testing at Mill Pond
- T. Update on Town Manager workplan, schedule; Board direction re project priorities for Fall 2019
- U. Upcoming meeting with Finance and Assessing staff and MassDOR to review/update fall work plan
- V. Progress toward Page School playground accessibility improvements supported by State earmark funds
- W. Follow up meeting assignments; Placing items for future agendas

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