



**Town of West Newbury
Board of Selectmen
Monday, September 21, 2020 @ 6:00pm**

381 Main Street, Town Office Building
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AGENDA

Executive Session: 6:00pm by remote participation

- ❖ 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 (*Assessing Department staffing; Finance Department staffing*).

Open Session: 7pm 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.
- 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>

Regular Business

- Joint meeting with Planning Board to consider appointment of Associate Planning Board Wendy Reed as Planning Board member to serve remaining term of Richard Bridges
- Public hearing: National Grid petition to relocate utility pole #10 on Farm Lane (WRN #27570947)
- Request for authorization to apply for Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Grant – *Police Chief Durand*
- Update from Board of Health re consideration of establishing local fines for COVID-related violations
- Update from Board of Health regarding consideration of potential COVID-related Halloween planning
- Update on planning for outdoor Town Meeting on Sat., 10/17 at 10am (rain date Sunday 10/18 at 10am)
- Presentation of preliminary estimate of FY21 tax rate, based on approved FY21 budget and warrant articles, and based on assumed FY21 assessed values and projected (estimated) FY21 non-tax revenues – *Angus Jennings, Town Manager and Stephanie Frontiera, Town Accountant/Business Manager*
- Consideration of reopening Special Town Meeting (STM) warrant and adding article to transfer Overlay funds to reduce FY21 tax rate
- Review of STM warrant, and Board of Selectmen recommendation regarding warrant articles
- Update on status of designer contract for Soldiers & Sailors Building Restoration – *Mike McCarron*
- Review schedule for future Board of Selectmen meetings

Town Manager Updates

- Progress update on vendor contract for Page School Fire Alarm system
- Update on work toward CARES Act filing due Sept. 25th
- MassWorks quarterly report due Sept. 30th
- FY20 Green Communities Annual Report due Nov. 6th
- 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: 924-3933-6889

Passcode: 507434

Join at <https://zoom.us/j/92439336889?pwd=cE1xU01NSTk1Qkw5cmJpK0t4L2tBUT09>

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.