



**Town of West Newbury  
Select Board  
Monday, October 2, 2023 @ 5:30pm  
381 Main Street, Town Office Building  
[www.wnewbury.org](http://www.wnewbury.org)**

REC'D W. NEWBURY CLERK  
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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 (*Sawmill Brook property, review of draft Conservation Restriction*);
- ❖ 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 (*review of proposed compensation structure, proposed DPW restructure; EMA staffing transition plan*);
- ❖ MGL Ch. 30A §21(a) 3: To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares (*review of proposed compensation structure, proposed DPW restructure*).

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.
- Merrimack River boat tour fully booked; keep an eye out for future events and activities as part of River Road resiliency planning, funded by Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) Action Grant!
- Fall Special Town Meeting to take place on Monday, Oct. 23, 2023 at 7pm in the Annex
- Call for volunteers! FY24 positions on Boards/Commissions/Committees. See [www.wnewbury.org/volunteer](http://www.wnewbury.org/volunteer)
- Reminder to subscribe for emailed Town agendas/news/announcements at [www.wnewbury.org/subscribe](http://www.wnewbury.org/subscribe)

**Regular Business**

- A. Request for appointment of Liam Grenham as Police Officer – *Police Chief Michael Dwyer*
- B. Notification of appointment of Michael Dwyer as Interim EMA Director
- C. Request for appointment of Jason Goldweber to Mill Pond Committee
- D. Select Board review of Committees' charge / function: Cable Advisory Committee
- E. Review of updated draft Warrant for Fall Special Town Meeting; discussion of draft articles, if needed
- F. Request for ARPA funding to support repair of sills / remedial masonry work at Page School
- G. Review employee requests for carry-over of unused FY23 vacation time until December 31, 2023
- H. Review of draft amendments to Personnel Policy; consideration of referral to public hearing
- I. Public Hearing to consider proposed amendments to Personnel Policy Sec. 1.4 Amendment of Policies
- J. Review of proposed amendments to Select Board policies: Agenda Items; Signs on Town Property
- K. Consideration of potential new policy to establish criteria for use of Town Facebook, email notifications, etc. for communications and publicity
- L. Clarification of policy regarding use of EV Charging Station revolving fund to pay related electric bills; potential revision to rate for use of charging stations
- M. Select Board liaison updates regarding recent or near-term Board / Commission / Committee activities
- N. Town Manager recommendations re draft Select Board/Town Manager Goals / Priorities for FY24
- O. Updates regarding Goals / Priorities; potential to initiate facilitated goal-setting/prioritization workshop
- P. Meeting minutes: September 14, 2023

**Town Manager Updates**

- Q. MVP Action Grant updates (regarding River Road resiliency planning); consideration of whether to pursue consolidated public outreach/planning event (with Rte. 113 corridor planning), or separate events
- R. Process to review request for Certificate of Approval to construct dwelling on land at 520 Main Street subject to Agricultural Preservation Restriction co-held by Select Board and Conservation Commission
- S. Community Compact grant application (filed Sept. 28 for new budgeting/capital planning software)
- T. Town Planner Report, September
- U. MS4 Annual Report (filed with U.S. EPA late September)
- V. Updates on other ongoing/active projects/initiatives
- W. 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: 867 9969 8794  
Passcode: 264301

Join at: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86799698794?pwd=anlFNluli627aYmyVDuccNjzS4sZRC.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.