



**Town of West Newbury
Select Board
Monday, February 27, 2023 @ 5:30pm**
381 Main Street, Town Office Building
www.wnewbury.org
AGENDA – Revised

Re-posted REVISED agenda to include discussion of proposed Sawmill Brook land acquisition in Exec. Session

Executive Session: 5:30pm in 1910 Building, 381 Main Street: 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 (*FY24 non-union wage budgeting*);
- ❖ 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; proposed Sawmill Brook land acquisition (off Poorhouse Lane/Archelaus 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 (*review of legal opinions, Town Counsel and Special Counsel; legal costs year-to-date*).

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.
- Annual & Special Town Meeting: Monday, April 24, 2023 at 7pm
- Town Election Monday, May 1st. Last day to obtain nomination papers from Town Clerk: March 9th at 5pm. Nomination papers due to Town Clerk by March 13th at 5pm.
- Call for volunteers! Open 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. Special Event Permit Application – Road Race on June 11 at 8am – *Yukan Sports LLC*
- B. Request for temporary signage to promote Cani-Cross event – *Carol Decker, Essex County Trails Assn.*
- C. Follow-up discussion of proposed warrant articles for spring Annual and Special Town Meetings; including article proposals from Parks & Rec Commission, and Open Space Committee
- D. Citizen petition article received regarding proposal to change Massachusetts state flag
- E. Updates regarding proposed FY24 Town Operating Budget incl. Finance Committee reviews to date
- F. Discussion of potential scope for best use of Commonwealth economic development budget earmark for West Newbury (Ch. 268 of the Acts of 2022 Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund)
- G. Discussion of Congressman Moulton invitation to submit projects for consideration for potential Federal FY24 Community Project Funding; potential applicability to Middle Street Bridge
- H. Request for renewal of Employee Health Insurance Opt-Out Program for FY24-26
- I. Proposed adoption of Financial Policies (recommended from MassDOR Division of Local Services Municipal Best Practices grant)
- J. Meeting minutes: January 18, 2022; December 19, 2022

Town Manager Updates

- K. Update re scope/budget for pedestrian planning (Page/Pipestave/113 intersection); and proposed use of FY23 MA Office of Tourism earmark to advance this work
- L. Update re initial advice from ARPA consultant
- M. Update regarding selection of consultant for MBTA Communities Act planning work
- N. Updates on ongoing/active projects/initiatives
- O. 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: 848 6332 0180
Passcode: 796821

Join at: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84863320180?pwd=MmFyUHNTUmw3WDhkU0t0Z2VKTTNMQT09>

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.

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