



**Town of West Newbury
Select Board
Monday, November 15, 2021 @ 5:30pm**
381 Main Street, Town Office Building
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AGENDA

Executive Session: 5:30pm in the 1910 Building, 381 Main Street, First Floor Conference Room

- ❖ 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 (*Town Manager evaluation timing/process; FY22 wages; staffing updates*);
- ❖ MGL Ch. 30A §21(a) 3: To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares (*Teamsters Local Union 170; Police Union contract; litigation – wage claim*);
- ❖ 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*);
- ❖ 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 (*update on transition to new General Counsel – legal issues ongoing/under review; public records request*).

The Board will 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.
- Regional Vaccination Clinics, ages 5-11. November 15, 22, 29. See Town website for details.
- Community Preservation Committee: Public Informational Hearing to solicit input from citizens regarding the needs, possibilities and resources of the Town relative to the Act in the areas of Community Housing, Historic Preservation, Open Space and Recreation regarding the development of the Community Preservation Plan. Thurs., Nov. 18, 2021, at 8:00 PM in the First Floor Hearing Room.
- Call for volunteers: current opportunities at <https://www.wnewbury.org/volunteer>
- Reminder to subscribe for emailed Town news/announcements at <https://www.wnewbury.org/subscribe>

Regular Business

- A. Police Department staffing updates
- B. Applications for Committee appointments:
 - a. Carly Ramos – Cultural Council
 - b. Patricia Reeser – Community Preservation Committee (at-large seat)
- C. FY22 Tax Classification Hearing – joint Select Board meeting with Board of Assessors
- D. Presentation of FY21 Town Audit – *Tony Roselli, Roselli & Clark Associates*
- E. Discussion of Free Cash / tax rate reductions
- F. Discussion re process to determine uses for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds
- G. Public hearing: proposed Personnel Policy re advance approval for OT/time worked above budget
- H. Update on work to establish a Housing Trust, Board of Trustees
- I. Town Manager request for authorization, pursuant to Interim Regulations for Housing Contribution Payments and Resale Fees, to enter contract for services bringing total costs above \$10,000 in FY22
- J. Review of updated draft Employee COVID-19 Exposure Protocols
- K. Set date and time for annual Holiday Tree Lighting

Town Manager Updates

- L. Draft timeline, FY23 budget process
- M. Soldiers & Sailors Building: disc. w Lynne Spencer re procedure needed to propose disposition (via sale or long-term lease) with accompanying preservation restriction
- N. Proposal received for safety audit of Pipestave/Page intersection
- O. Follow up meeting assignments
- P. 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: 842 2027 5613
Passcode: 050263

Join at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84220275613?pwd=cUJiRC9IbTdzMXd5cmZWk1RUOXk0QT09>

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.