



Select Board Meeting
In-person and Remote Hybrid Format
for Board Members and Public
October 17, 2022
6:00 p.m.

Location: Select Board Conference Room

Notice: In the event of a closure of Town Hall due to inclement weather or any other emergency the Hybrid Format shall switch to remote meeting zoom only for the posted meeting.

All meetings of the Select Board are recorded except Executive Session

Date of this meeting: September October 17, 2022

Meeting held per Ch. 107 of the Acts of 2022

In the event of any technical difficulties, we will ensure a recorded tape of the proceedings is placed on the Town web page at www.Southwickma.org

Town of Southwick, MA

Topic: Select Board Meeting

Time: Oct 17, 2022 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://southwickma.zoom.us/j/88157403827?pwd=OVJObnA5cnlBcUdCZEtSQStJRvYvUT09>

Meeting ID: 881 5740 3827

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Find your local number: <https://southwickma.zoom.us/j/kQjR0eOJX>

ATTENDANCE: Chairman, Russell S. Fox
Vice-Chairman, Doug Moglin
Clerk, Jason Perron
Chief Administrative Officer, Karl J. Stinehart
Administrative Assistant, Robin Solek

Chairman roll call attendance of Board Members present for meeting.

6:00 p.m. Public Comments:

6:05 p.m. Eversource Power Presentation for solar panels and battery storage under New Environmental Justice Law: Police Department, Fire Department, Planning Board and STGRSD

Payables, Payroll and Minutes:

- Acknowledge Payables Warrant #2311B, dated 10/4/2022 in the amount of \$306,298.17
- Acknowledge Payroll Warrant 2309, dated 10/11/2022 in the amount of \$264,031.76.
- Accept Minutes dated 10/3/2022
- Executive Session Minutes dated 10/3/22

Meeting Discussion Items, Action Items, Bills, Mail, Correspondence, Vendor and/or Personnel Contracts, Personnel Decisions, Policy Adoptions, Payroll :

New Business:

- Appoint Russ E. Anderson to SFD non-emergency role for support functions (i.e.) training/grants etc. Regional Dispatch Project
- Discussion of Holiday Party
- Invitation to Spaghetti Dinner at the American Legion on October 19, 2022 Benefit SPD K-9 Unit
- Authorize Town Accountant Contract Amendment #1 (Certification)
- Approve Animal Control Donations, in the amounts of \$1,000.00, \$1,500 Gift Card from Ocean State Job Lot, \$30.00 from Helga Heiden, \$25.00 from Carey Lecki and \$100.00 from Terry Ann & Andrew Pignatare
- Hidden Heroes Celebration Invitation from the Southwick Civic Fund to be held on October 25, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m. STGRSD Auditorium

New Business:

- Conservation Commission Funding
- Review and Discuss WCA TIF Agreement
- STM November 15, 2022 Articles

Old Business & Dates to Remember:

- North Pond violations seek meeting w/Departments, MA Fish & Game & DEP to review solutions
- Town Hall HVAC Design Bid Award recommendation by Russo Barr
- Sewer System IMA with City of Westfield update next meeting mid-October
- Request from High Speed Internet to put forth a Warrant Article for next Town Meeting for approval to form a MLP (Municipal Light Plant)
- Review Southwick PB Comprehensive Impact Statement Hand Book
- Marijuana dispensary – review again for vote
- Special Town Meeting – November 15, 2022 @STGRSD
- Town website meeting calendars
- Assistant C.A.O. position recruitment

6:20 p.m. Executive Session

A MOTION to go into Executive Session Pursuant to M.G.L. Chap. c. 30A, S21 (2) & (3) and Ch. 214, Section 1B

Litigation Matters and Strategy for Collective Bargaining with Police Union Coalition, Clerk Union/T.C.C., M. Hill and Assistant Chief Administrative Officer positions, **Executive Session RE: M.G.L. Chap. c. 30A, S21 (2) & (3) Ch. 214, Section 1B and;**

Exception #2:

Move to go into Executive Session to conduct collective bargaining sessions, with nonunion personnel and to:

not to reconvene in Open Session

(Chair Must Declare).

Move to go into Executive Session to conduct contract negotiations with nonunion personnel, and to:

not to reconvene in Open Session

(Chair Must Declare).

declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the body, and to

not to reconvene in Open Session

(Chair Must Declare).

Exception #3: Move to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and that the Chair Move to go into Executive Session to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel, and to

Not to reconvene Open Session

(Chair Must Declare).

Move to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation, and that the Chair declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body, and to:

not to reconvene in Open Session

(Chair Must Declare).

RE: Ch. 214, Section 1B

A person shall have a right against unreasonable, substantial or serious interference with their privacy. The superior court shall have jurisdiction in equity to enforce such right and in connection therewith to award damages.