



Select Board Meeting
In-person and Remote Hybrid Format
for Board Members and Public
Monday June 5th, 2023
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: April 10, 2023

Meeting Notice: This meeting held Pursuant to Chapter 2, Acts of 2023

In the event of any technical difficulties, we will ensure a recorded tape of the proceedings is placed upon the Town Web page after the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: **Acting** Chairman, Doug Moglin
 Acting Vice-Chairman, Jason Perron
 Acting Clerk, Diane Gale
 Chief Administrative Officer, Karl J. Stinehart
 Asst. C.A.O., Nadine Cignoni
 Administrative Assistant, Robin Solek

Time: Jun 5, 2023 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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6:00 p.m. Public Comments:

6:05 PM C. Sullivan and B. Sullivan – re Senior Center Garden Grant Update

6:10 p.m. Southwick Fire Department Call Force Interviews

- Chris Brown
- Benjamin Cleland
- Michael Westcott
- Melanie Wicken

Recognition for FF Anthony Cigal FF One Certification

Payables, Payroll and Minutes:

- Acknowledge Payroll Warrant #2326, dated 5/23/23 in the amount of \$274,673.23
- Acknowledge Payables Warrant #2331B, dated 5/30/23, in the amount of \$572,734.31
- Accept Open Session Minutes dated 5/22/23

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

New Business:

- Reorganize Select Board Officers for Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and Clerk
- Assign members to CapCom/LEPC and other duties
- Warrant signature(s) delegation for payroll and payables
- Authorize Chair/CAO for hiring approvals and all other personnel actions below department head level
- Authorize Chair to handle year end Municipal Modernization Act transfers between line items and FinCom Reserve Requests through 6/30/23
- Reserve Fund Transfer in the amount of \$1,000.00 for Police Detail Town Elections & Town Meetings for T/C/C.
- PVPC Invoice #23 Southwick Community Assistance Program in the amount of \$603.48
- PVPV Invoice #8 Southwick Community Assistance Program in the amount of \$6,622.51
- Approve Library request to deposit \$262.55 refund from Southwick Friends of the Library back into the Library's Gift Account.
- SPD request Hampden County Sheriff's Department Marine Unit members Frank Ott, John Muscaro, and Edward Diaz be appointed to Southwick Police Department Lake Patrol in accordance with MOA through June 2024.
- Review MGL Ch. 268A Disclosure of Appearance of Conflict of Interest for Library Summer Page position
- Emergency Management Director retirement notification and discuss vacancy
- Request to loan a surplus cardiac monitor to Westfield State University
- Accept ACO Donations in the amount of \$502.00 to be deposited in the ACO Medical Gift Account and ACO Gift Fund.

New Business:

- Discuss PVPC M.O.U. for Regional Energy Planning Assistance Services
- Southwick Civic Fund Town Wide Tag Sale Permit Waiver for Community Event
- Correspondence from Holyoke Cannabis – Jason Jaron (Holyoke Cannabis) and Attorney Blake Mensing of The Mensing Group LLC
- SEMA request to use Alternate EOC facilities at DPW Garage for annual Emergency Communications Exercise
- FY 24 Appointments and Re-appointments – process discussion, upcoming vacancies, etc.

Old Business & Dates to Remember:

- 141 Congamond Road - Update
- Dog Hearing Disposition for 39 Lakeview Street - Dziura (5/22/23 Meeting)
- Select Board Summer & Fall Meeting Schedule
- North Pond violations seek meeting w/Departments, MA Fish & Game & DEP to review solutions

- Sewer System IMA with City of Westfield update
- Marijuana dispensary – research & options
- Speed limits in Deer Run Area
- Municipal Aggregation for Electricity
- Flag Policy
- Hudson Drive Southwick Greenhouse Inc. MA Cannabis Control ----- Notification
- Ironman Triathlon June 11, 2023
- MLP Project next steps, actions, and authorization since ATM approved
- Conservation Commission Vacancy
- AgCom Update from Town Counsel
- Select Board Goals & Objectives

6:45 p.m. Executive Session Labor Counsel and Chief of Police

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, Fire IAFF, DPW, Non-Union Staff and Clerk Union UPSEU, 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.