



**Select Board Meeting**  
**In-person and Remote Hybrid Format**  
**for Board Members and Public**  
**Amendment #2**

**Tuesday January 2, 2024**

**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**

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

**ATTENDANCE:** Chairman, Doug Moglin  
Vice-Chairman, Jason Perron  
Clerk, Diane Gale  
Chief Administrative Officer, Karl J. Stinehart  
Assistant Chief Administrative Officer, Nadine Cignoni  
Secretary, Lisa Anderson

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**6:00 p.m. Public Comments:**

**Payables, Payroll and Minutes:**

- Acknowledge Payables Warrant #2416B, dated 12/27/2023, in the amount of \$425,056.28
- Acknowledge Payroll Warrant #2413, dated 12/19/23, in the amount of \$266,965.00.
- Accept Open Session Minutes dated 12/11/2023.
- Accept Open Session Minutes dated 12/18/2023.

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

- HSIC recommendation to Select Board for IMA with Westfield Gas & Electric for Whip City Fiber for the Southwick Municipal Fiber Network.
- Acknowledge the Mass Dot letter regarding the infrastructure allotment amount of \$215,970.00
- Accept the donation to Council on Aging from Stop and Shop for \$61.00 to go into the COA Gift Account.
- To award the Town Bid for Kline Road Culvert Replacement project to Western Earthworks for the bid price of \$429,363 including Alternate 1.
- Accept donation from Donna Buldrini for \$13.17 to the Library Gift Account.

**New Business:**

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## **Old Business & Dates to Remember:**

- Police Chief Internal Recruitment Process
- SRO request w/ School District
- Board evaluations and appointed progress
- HSIC recommendation for an Internet provider
- Marijuana dispensary, next step is submission of approved warrant articles to AG office.
- Hunting bylaw proposal related to private land and review by SPD.
- Review of Land License for American Legion
- MGL Ch. 61,61A,61B, Right of First Refusal policy review
- Town Administrator Recruitment panel meetings and Job Description review.
- T-Mobile Hometown Grants Application review, authorization, and pursuit.
- Board & Committee on-boarding and duty statement discussion
- Liquor Quota Breakdown from State Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission
- **Discussion and approval of Town Clerk internal Job Description and posting**

## **7:00 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 Labor Counsel. 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.