



**Select Board
Meeting Agenda
with in-person and Remote
Hybrid Format for Board Members
and Public**

Monday, January 24, 2022

6:00 p.m.

Location: Town Hall Auditorium

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: January 24, 2022

Meeting Notice: This meeting held Pursuant to Chapter 20, Acts of 2021

Notice: Holding a hybrid meeting with limited technology until new equipment comes in the future. 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.

Town of Southwick, MA

Robin Solek is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Select Board Meeting

Time: Jan 24, 2022 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://southwickma.zoom.us/j/89429124069?pwd=dXMzMGMxUXcvZkNYL2s2OEJIMElUdz09>

Meeting ID: 894 2912 4069

Passcode: 886957

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+13017158592,,89429124069#,,,,*886957# US (Washington DC)

Dial by your location

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)

Find your local number: <https://southwickma.zoom.us/u/ku36ttioM>

ATTENDANCE: Chairman, Joseph J. Deedy
Vice-Chairman, Russell S. Fox
Clerk, Doug Moglin
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:

Payables, Payroll and Minutes:

- Acknowledge Payables Warrant #2216B, dated 01/11/22, in the amount of \$460,303.22.
- Acknowledge Payroll Warrant #2218, dated 1/18/22, in the amount of \$228,906.88.
- Open Session Minutes dated, 01/10/22.
- Executive Session Minutes dated, 01/03/22.

6:05 p.m Proposed relocation of portion of White Street with Town Counsel, DPW and Planner:

6:15 p.m. Fire Chief Anderson re: Safer Staffing Grant for 4 FF/Medics:

6:25 p.m. Fire Chief Anderson FY 23 Budget Highlights:

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

- Notification of Fire Chief Anderson retirement
- Ratify Select Board Chairman approval for DPW Supervisor Keven Soper Letter of Understanding
- Authorize Chairperson to sign DPW Supervisor transition process M.O.A. with Local DPW UPSEU Unit
- Approval of wiring portion of AED Gift at Whalley Park
- Increase Part-time SPD Officers and Part-time Dispatchers pay rate to minimum wage at \$14.25 per hour
- Approve PVPC CDBG Grant Admin Services invoice #6 in the amount of \$5,472.43
- Approve SPD FY 22 State 911 Grant in the amount of \$1,458.12 for E.M.D.

New Business:

- FY 23 Budget Packets Received for Review
- Clarify grant vs gift on accepting gift donation from Save Southwick for Planning Board Master Plan update project
- ATR for 2021 Notice
- Discuss SME status for Planning Board per MGL Ch. 268A Guidelines
- Review and approve updates to Gas/Plumbing Permit Fee Schedule

Old Business & Dates to Remember:

- North Pond violations waiting for Fish & Game Agreement Development
- Appointments for Town Boards/Committees (Cable TV – Mr. Thomas Bengston /HSIC- Mr. Bob Boyd, Dave LaBombard, Ian Creswell & Jess Bishop/ Ag Commission – Sage Fury)

- Town Hall Roof Design (related votes and actions to finalize design & bidding)
- Sewer System IMA with City of Westfield update
- LLP Renewal w/Suffield
- ConCom Coordinator Combined Roles with CPC duties Job Description and Posting
- Board and Committee procedure
- Use of ARPA Funds for Municipal Building HVAC Air Filtration system related to CV-19

6:45 p.m. Executive Session:

A MOTION to go into Executive Session Pursuant to M.G.L. Chap. c. 30A, S21 (2) & (3) Ch. 214, Section 1B and; CMR 20.03 (1) B.

RE: Litigation and Threatened Litigation and Collective Bargaining strategy related to non-union staff
Executive Session RE: M.G.L. Chap. c. 30A, S21 (2) & (3) Ch. 214, Section 1B and; CMR 29.03 (1)(b).

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.