

Select Board Meeting

In-person and Remote Hybrid Format for Board Members and Public

Monday August 07, 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: August 07, 2023

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

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

ATTENDANCE: Chairman, Doug Moglin

Vice-Chairman, Jason Perron

Clerk, Diane Gale

Chief Administrative Officer, Karl J. Stinehart

Asst. C.A.O., Nadine Cignoni Secretary, Lisa Anderson

Lisa Anderson is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Select Board Meeting

Time: August 07, 2023 06:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting Town of Southwick, MA

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6:00 p.m. Public Comments:

6:05 p.m. Interview with Firefighter/Paramedic Martin Biela for the full-time career opening with SFD.

6:10 p.m. Interview with Firefighter/Paramedic Krysta Downs for the full-time career opening with SFD.

<u>6:15 p.m. Interview with Paramedic Joshua Dickmann for a Call Force position with SFD.</u>

- 6:20 p.m. Interview with Steven Pinette for a full-time police officer position
- 6:25 p,m. Interview with Nicholas Hultine for a full-time police officer position.
- 6:30 p.m. Interview with Nathan Charette for a full-time police officer position.
- <u>6:35 p.m. American Legion, Darcy Rock Commander, regarding Annual Land Use License Fee.</u>

6:45 p,m. FY24 Re-Appointments for Board of Appeals, Council On Aging, <u>Historical Commission</u>

- Council on Aging
 - Paula Leblanc
 - Carol Smith
 - Carol Laughlin
- Board of Appeals
 - William Lis
 - Dan Tobias
 - Michael Parent, Associate
- Historical Commission
 - Linda McQuade
 - Kirk Sanders

Payables, Payroll and Minutes:

- Acknowledge Payables Warrant #2402B, dated 7/24/2023, in the amount of \$5,652,069.69
- Acknowledge Payroll Warrant #2403, dated, 8/1/2023 in the amount of \$272,137.20
- Accept Open Session Minutes dated 7/24/2023
- Accept Executive Session Minutes dated 7/24/2023
- Accept Executive Session Minutes dated 7/11/2023

<u>Meeting Discussion Items, Action Items, Bills, Mail, Correspondence, Vendor and/or Personnel Contracts, Personnel Decisions, Policy Adoptions, Payroll:</u> New Business:

- Acknowledge and accept the donation of \$125 from Sterling Catering LLC d/b/a
 The Launch to support Agricultural Commission's first ever Open Farm Day,
 August 20, 2023.
- Acknowledge and accept the donation of \$400 from High Standard Transportation LLC to support Agricultural Commission's first ever Open Farm Day, August 20, 2023.
- Acknowledge and accept the donation of \$200 from B&E Too Company to support Agricultural Commission's first ever Open Farm Day, August 20, 2023.
- Acknowledge and accept donation of \$50 from Terra Americana LLC to support the Agricultural Commission's first-ever Open Farm Day, August 20, 2023
- Acknowledge and accept donation of \$50 from Sonicron Systems Corp. to support the Agricultural Commission's first-ever Open Farm Day, August 20, 2023
- Acknowledge and accept donation of \$50 from College Highway Insurance Agency to support the Agricultural Commission's first-ever Open Farm Day, August 20, 2023

- Acknowledge and accept donation of \$50 from The Mason Insurance Agency to support the Agricultural Commission's first-ever Open Farm Day, August 20, 2023
- Retirement Notification SPD Admin Asst. Suzann Anderson 8/2/2024
- Authorize Chairman to sign E.O.E.E.A. MVP Grant for Kline Road Project

New Business:

Discuss & Select SFD & SPD candidates for employment offer

Old Business & Dates to Remember:

- Sewer System IMA with City of Westfield finalize with Attorney
- Marijuana dispensary research & options
- Municipal Aggregation for Electricity
- Flag Policy 2nd and Final Reading (under revision)
- Select Board Goals & Objectives
- SFD Dumpster permit Fee
- Noble Steed Development report from PB status
- FY24 re-appointment/appointments to Boards, Committees and Commissions
- Emergency Management Director discussion and selection
- MA DOER Green Communities Grant Award.
- Authorize Chair to sign, designate SB member to coordinate project items and determine PVPC admin role

7:20 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 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.