

MONTAGUE SELECTBOARD MEETING

VIA ZOOM

Monday, September 21, 2026

AGENDA AMENDED

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89680371300>

Meeting ID: 896 8037 1300 Password: 407430 Dial into meeting: +1 646 558 8656

Topics may start earlier than specified, unless there is a hearing scheduled

Meeting Being Taped

Votes May Be Taken

1. 6:30PM Selectboard Chair opens the meeting, including announcing that the meeting is being recorded and roll call taken
2. 6:30 Approve Minutes: Selectboard Meetings: September 14, 2026, if available
3. 6:30 **Public Comment Period:** Individuals will be limited to two (2) minutes each and the Selectboard will strictly adhere to time allotted for public comment
4. 6:32 **Turners Falls Airport Commission Business**
 - Quarterly Check-in with Airport Manager Bryan Camden and Airport Commissioners
 - financial performance;
 - grant reimbursement status;
 - capital projects;
 - revenue projections;
 - major leases and agreements; and
 - any anticipated need for additional Town support.
 - Town Administrator's Proposed Financial and Administrative Oversight Model
5. 7:00 **Special Town Meeting October 28**
 - First Reading of Warrant and requested articles

Art	Proponent	Request	Purpose	Source
1	Accountant	\$1,643.02	Authorize Prior Year (FY26) Bills	Free Cash
2	Accountant	\$38,550.27	Municipal Airport FY26 Operating Deficit	Free Cash
3	Accountant	\$15,000	Municipal Airport FY27 anticipated shortfall	Free Cash
4	Accountant	\$61,502.31	Close out old grant deficits	Free Cash
5	Cemetery Com.	\$12,032	Grounds work and sexton stipend	Sale of Plots
6	Parks/ Police	\$16,300	Non-capital equipment and projects	Free Cash
7	School Building	\$1,750,000	Elementary School Building Feasibility Study	Borrowing
8	Selectboard	Non-financial	Authorize Senior Tax Work-Off Program	
9	Selectboard	Non-financial	Authorize 30-year lease of 34 Central St.	

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6. 7:30

Elections Business

- Execute October 6, 2026, Special Election Warrant for Franklin County Tech School, attached hereto
- Execute October 6, 2026, Special Election Warrant for Great River Regional School District, attached hereto
- Execute 2026 State Election Warrant, attached hereto
- Vote by mail clarification for October 6 Special Municipal Election (Great River Regional School District)

7. 7:45

Assistant Town Administrator's Business

- Announce United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development (USDA RD) loan/grant for Sewer Collections System Rehabilitation Phase 2
- Library design update
- Strathmore Demolition Project status update
- Montague Center Complete Streets construction progress
- Ave A Streetscape status update

8. 8:00

Town Administrator's Business

- Recommendation for Farren property surplus designation (330–340 Montague City Road, Parcel ID No. 12-0-044 and 356 Montague City Road, Parcel ID No. 12-0-044A and authority to release Development Request for Proposals.
- Soapbox Derby Sunday, September 27, 2026 updates
- Topics not anticipated within 48 hour posting requirement

9. 8:15

Emergency Executive Session pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(3) to discuss litigation strategy in the case of Snow, Deborah et al vs. Town of Montague, Franklin Superior Court, CA No. 2678CV00056, if discussing the matter in open session will have a detrimental effect on the Town's litigation position and the Chair so-declares.

Next Meeting

Selectboard Meeting: Monday, September 28, 2026, at 6:30pm via ZOOM