MONTAGUE SELECTBOARD MEETING

1 Avenue A, Turners Falls and VIA ZOOM
Monday, November 16, 2026
AGENDA

Join Zoom Meeting: **https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6327691840**

Meeting ID: **632 769 1840** **Password: 945669** **Dial into meeting:** **+1 646 558 8656**

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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 Meeting: November 9, 2026, if available

3. 6:31 **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. 6:33 **Personnel Board**
   - Appoint Jackie Stein to vacant seat on Parks and Recreation Commission effective November 16,2027 through May 4, 2027

5. 6:35 **Police Business with Chief Jason Haskins (tabled from 11/9/2026)**
   - Hiring plan for upcoming vacancy in Police Department
   - Request to authorize a lateral transfer hiring bonus of $10,000 for this hire

6. 6:45 **Solid Waste Business**
   - Accept and authorize revised Casella Trash Hauling 2-year extension proposal for term 7/1/2027-6/30/2029
   - Consider proposed changes to "Pay as you Throw" Curbside Collection Program.
     -Sunset barrel stickers for 2027
     -No fee change for bag stickers
     -Each individual bag (up to 33 gallons) must be tagged with a bag sticker
     -Proposed effective date Jan 1, 2027

7. 7:05 **Assistant Town Administrator's Business**

- Authorize amendment to grant agreement with Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) for Montague Center Complete Streets project, extending term through June 30, 2027.
- Other Project Updates

8. 7:10 **Town Administrator's Business**
- Department FY28 Budget Guidance issued
- Topics not anticipated within the 48 hour posting requirements

9. 7:15 **Executive Session**

To conduct contract negotiations with nonunion personnel, specifically the Clean Water Facility Superintendent, concerning potential terms and conditions of continued employment, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(2).

Next Meeting

Selectboard Meeting: Monday, November 23, 2026, at 6:30pm - HYBRID