

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING AGENDA
UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM
1 AVENUE A, TURNERS FALLS, MA
Monday, January 13, 2014
- Subject to Change -**

Meeting Being Taped:

1. **7:00** Approve Minutes of November 4, 18, 25, December 2, 9 and 18, January 6, 2013 if available, Votes may be taken
2. **7:01** David Brule, Battlefield Grant Liaison, votes may be taken
 - Review and Authorize 2014 American Battlefield Protection Program Grant Application and Request for Federal Assistance: Battle of Turners Falls
3. **7:30** Karen Latka, Library Board of Trustees, Votes may be taken
 - Appoint Steve Winters to vacant Library Trustee seat until next Town Election
4. **7:35** Town Administrators Report, Votes may be taken
 - Request for 3 year extension beginning July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017 with a 2 year option at the towns sole discretion thereafter from Bruce Stanas, Republic Services, Solid Waste Disposal
 - To approve and execute draft warrant for Special Town Meeting on January 30, 2014, attached hereto
 - Topics not anticipated covered in the 48 hour posting requirement
5. **7:45** Discussion
 - Town Priorities, Votes may be taken
6. **7:55** F.C. Regional Dog Kennel, Votes may be taken
 - Update and Discussion

Other

- **REMINDER:** Unity Park Hill closed for sledding this winter

The next regularly scheduled Selectmen's Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 21, 2014** at 7:00 p.m. at the Montague Town Hall, Upstairs Meeting Room, 1 Avenue A, Turners Falls, MA

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF MONTAGUE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
January 30, 2014**

Franklin, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Montague in the County of Franklin:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Montague qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet in the Turners Falls High School Theater on Thursday, January 30, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. and to act on the following articles and any motions which may be presented.

ARTICLE 1. To see if the town will vote to amend Sections 2, and 5.2, and add a new section 7.10 to the Zoning Bylaws, as follows:

- A. **Under SECTION 2 (Definitions), add the following new definition in alphabetical order REGISTERED MARIJUANA DISPENSARY:** refers to the site(s) of dispensing, cultivation, and preparation of marijuana in accordance with 105 CMR 725.100.
- B. **Under SECTION 5.2 (Permitted Uses and Special Permits) add a new land use to the list of uses to be permitted by Special Permit from the Zoning Board of Appeals in the following four zoning districts:**

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| (General Business) | Section 5.2.5 (b) Uses allowed on Special Permit from Board of Appeals:
Registered Marijuana Dispensary, in accordance with section 7.10 |
| (Industrial) | Section 5.2.6(b) Uses allowed on Special Permit from Board of Appeals:
Registered Marijuana Dispensary, in accordance with section 7.10 |
| (Central Business) | Section 5.2.11(b) Uses allowed on Special Permit from Board of Appeals:
Registered Marijuana Dispensary, in accordance with section 7.10 |
| (Historic Industrial) | Section 5.2.12(b) Uses allowed on Special Permit from Board of Appeals:
Registered Marijuana Dispensary, in accordance with section 7.10 |

- C. **Under Section 7 (Special Uses), add a new section 7.10 as follows:**

7.10 Registered Marijuana Dispensaries

7.10.1 Purpose

The purpose of this section is to provide for the orderly placement of Registered Marijuana Dispensaries (RMDs) in areas where such a facility is not inconsistent with the neighborhood character.

7.10.2 General

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RMDs may be allowed by special permit and site plan review from the Board of Appeals pursuant to Section 5.2, Section 7.10, and Section 8.

7.10.3 Standards

A) The special permit may be limited to the current applicant and to lapse if the permit holder ceases operating the RMD or upon expiration or termination of the applicant's registration with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

B) The Board shall consider the design of buildings, setbacks, visual impacts, lighting, security issues, hours of operation, traffic circulation, and consistency with current and abutting land uses.

C) The Board may require additional conditions and set standards for performance and maintenance upon finding that such action is reasonably necessary to meet the purpose and intent of the Zoning Bylaws;

Or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the town will vote to expand the scope of Article 1 of the Special Town Meeting of May 5, 2012 to allow the existing appropriation to be used for the purpose of demolishing the building at 38 Avenue A, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$5,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of funding legal expenses associated with the negotiation of the town's cable contract with Comcast, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$15,000, or any other amount, for the purpose of refurbishing and making handicap accessible the Unity Park Field House rest rooms, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$20,000 for the purpose of supplementing the Fiscal Year 2014 Police Department budget, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will vote to revise the wording of Article 9 of the September 12, 2013 Special Town Meeting from:

Original Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$23,420, or any other amount, for the purpose of funding the implementation of a collective bargaining agreement with the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, Local 274, for Fiscal Year 2014, with increases to be paid retroactively to July 1, 2013, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

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Revised Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$23,420, or any other amount, for the purpose of implementation of a collective bargaining agreement, including the implementation of the Pay and Classification Study by Stone Consulting, as accepted and amended by the Personnel Board, with the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, Local 274, for Fiscal Year 2014, with increases to be paid retroactively to July 1, 2013, or to pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

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