

**MONTAGUE SELECTBOARD MEETING**

**VIA ZOOM**

**Monday, May 20, 2024**

**AGENDA**

**Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84255792484>**

**Meeting ID: 842 5579 2484 Passcode: 367274 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 Meeting May 13, 2024
3. 6:32 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. 6:34 **Liquor License Hearing**
  - Sow Loud LLC dba Avenue A Market, William McKerchie as manager, has applied for an Annual § 15 Off-Premises Wine and Malt Beverage License. The premises is located at 106 Avenue A, Turners Falls, MA consisting of a 1,276 sq. ft. single floor storefront, single room customer-facing with two storage areas in back. There are two entrances and two exits.
5. 6:40 **William McKerchie, The Upper Bend, 112 Avenue A, Turners Falls**
  - Request to place 4 tables with chairs in front of 112 Avenue A, The Upper Bend
- 6: 6:45 **Personnel Board**
  - Assistant Town Administrator Hiring Committee finalist candidate recommendations: Athena O'Keefe and Christopher Nolan
  - Appoint Steven Gochinski to DPW Department as Truck Driver/Laborer, Grade C, Step 1 at \$20.84/hr. Effective 5/21/2024
7. 6:55 **Brian McHugh, Director of Community Development - HRA**
  - To authorize payment #7 in the amount of \$1,288.00 to Berkshire Design Group for Construction Administration of the FY22.23 MONT Hillcrest Neighborhood Park Construction Project
  - To authorize Payment #3 for the Avenue A Streetscape Design Project in the amount of \$8,740.00, payable to Berkshire Design Group
8. 7:00 **Jon Dobosz, Parks Director**
  - Recommend award of Unity Skate Park Lighting Project to Central MA Signal LLC in the amount of \$95,998. To be funded by ARPA allocation.
9. 7:05 **Maureen Pollock, Town Planner**
  - Authorization to apply for Municipal Digital Equity Implementation Program Grant – Proposed creation of a new town municipal website that meets all accessibility standards

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10. 7:10      **Executive Assistant Business**
- Summer Meeting Schedule
11. 7:15      **Assistant Town Administrator's Business**
- Adopt Inoperable and Unregistered Vehicle Permit Application Process in accordance with Town Bylaws
  - Invite MassDOT officials to discuss design progress and alternatives for MassDOT project 612799 to replace 3 bridges in Turners Falls (Turners Falls Rd over CT River, 5<sup>th</sup> St over Canal, and 6<sup>th</sup> St over Canal)
12. 7:25      **Town Administrator's Business**
- Authorize Town Administrator to file any comments on behalf of the Town with state and federal agencies with respect to the relicensing of FirstLight Powers' FERC Relicensing Application
  - Request to transfer \$3,000 from CD Discretionary Unallocated (225-5-184-5200) to CD Shea Theater (225-5-184-5240)
  - Topics not anticipated in the 48 hour posting

**Next Meeting:**

- Selectboard Meeting, Monday, June 3, 2024 at 6:30 PM, In Person at 1 Avenue A, Turners Falls, and via ZOOM