

**MONTAGUE SELECTBOARD MEETING**

**VIA ZOOM**

**Monday, January 13, 2025**

**AGENDA**

**Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84913713146>**

**Meeting ID: 849 1371 3146 Passcode: 551041 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. 6:00PM Selectboard Chair opens the meeting, including announcing that the meeting is being recorded and roll call taken
2. 6:00 Approve Minutes: Selectboard Meeting January 6, 2025, if available
3. 6:02 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. 6:04 **Sewer Commissioners meeting with Chelsey Little, CWF Superintendent**
  - Montague Center pump station graffiti and fencing update
  - Declare Surplus Equipment: 1980 400KW Empire Emergency Generator Serial #2031128
  - Lake Pleasant grinder pump alarms update
  - Permit Summary for December 2024
  - Millers Falls Overage/flow update for 2024
  - Proposed CWF FY26 Budget and personnel discussion
5. 6:30 **Jon Dobosz, Park & Recreation Director and Orice Jenkins, Executive Director of Musica Franklin**
  - Request for Special Entertainment License for May 10, 2025, for the Annual Family Funfest at Unity Park from 12:30pm to 5:00pm
6. 6:35 **Jessica Atwood, FRCOG Planning Director**
  - Overview of the Rural Downtown District Management Project and proposed one year pilot program to hire a full-time business coordinator to support Turners Falls, Northfield, and Shelburne Falls. To be funded by a Rural Development Fund Grant awarded to FRCOG.
7. 6:50 **Caitlin Kelley, Library Director**
  - Announce town acceptance into the Mass Public Library Construction Program for Carnegie Library, next steps
  - FY26 personnel proposal: proposed Adult Services Coordinator (Grade E) and Library technician/Assistant (Grade B)
8. 7:00 **Bryan Camden, Turners Falls Airport Manager**
  - Winter Special Town Meeting Special Article Request for \$24,000 from Airport Reserve Fund
  - FY26 Budget Proposal

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9. 7:15      **Personnel Board**
- Appoint DPW Groundskeeper Jason Kingsbury to Tree Warden to fill the vacancy. This is a stipend position @ \$147.00/month ending June 30, 2025
  - Summary review and discussion of proposed FY26 personnel change proposals from Council on Aging, Libraries, CWF, Cemetery, Farmers Market. Recap of Wage and Class Study Recommendations.
- 10: 7:30      **Assistant Town Administrator's Business**
- Review of FY26 Capital Requests
  - Other Project Updates
11. 7:45      **Town Administrator's Business**
- Updates to Special Town Meeting warrant. Addition of Tree Warden article (#7). Warrant to be finalized/ voted Jan 27, 2025
  - FY26 budget development updates
  - Report on Farren/ Montague City zoning project kickoff
  - Topics not anticipated in the 48 hour posting
12. 8:00      Executive session in accordance with G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relating to any PBA, NEPBA, UEW, and Nage Unions, if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares.

**Next Meeting:**

- Selectboard, Monday, January 27, 2025 via ZOOM.