

**MONTAGUE SELECTBOARD MEETING**

**1 Avenue A, Turners Falls and VIA ZOOM**

**Monday, August 19, 2024**

**AGENDA**

**Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84707519753>**

**Meeting ID: 847 0751 9753 Password: 055960 Dial into meeting: +1 646 558 8656**

This meeting/hearing of the Selectboard will be held in person at the location provided on this notice. Members of the public are welcome to attend this meeting. Please note that while an option for remote attendance and/or participation is being provided as a courtesy to the public, the meeting/hearing will not be suspended or terminated if technological problems interrupt the virtual broadcast, unless otherwise required by law. Members of the public with particular interest in any specific item on this agenda should make plans for in-person vs. virtual attendance accordingly.

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 Selectboard Minutes: August 5, 2024
3. 6:00 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. 6:02 **Brian McHugh, Director of Community Development – HRA**
  - Request payment #3 to Clayton Davenport Trucking for the Hillcrest Neighborhood Playground Construction Project: \$65,188.50
  - Consider Change Order #3 to furnish and install jute mesh around playground. (\$4,225.00)
5. 6:10 **Rachel Stoler, FRCOG Community Health Program Manager**
  - Memorandum of Understanding between The Town of Montague and FRCOG for Mass In Motion FY25
6. 6:15 **Maureen Pollock, Town Planner**
  - Redeveloping the former Farren Care Center site, located at 330-340 Montague City Road – updates
  - Shea Theater mural project updates
  - Request Use of Public Land / Closure of the Shea Theater Parking Lot and 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Alley from Avenue A to back of Shea from 7:00am to 8:00am from Friday August 23, 2024 to Thursday, September 12, 2024 to paint a mural on the Shea building wall.

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7. 6:30      **Personnel Board**
- Appoint Mary Sue Campbell, CWF Administrative Assistant, NAGE Grade B, Step 4, \$21.28/hr, 40 hrs/wk, effective 8/26/24
  - Appoint Jordan Livingston, 911 Dispatcher, Per-diem, \$25.00/hr., effective 8/19/2024
  - Appoint John Letourneau as Gas & Plumbing Inspector, 1 year, expires 6/30/2025
  - Resignation of Chris Sawyer-Laucanno from the Montague Historical Commission
8. 6:40      Follow-up Discussion on Cannabis Odor Complaints Flower Power Growers, Inc. - 180 Industrial Boulevard (Discussion postponed to August 19)
9. 6:50      **Executive Assistant Business**
- Response to 8/5 meeting hack, new Zoom protocols
  - Town Meeting Day survey results
10. 7:00      **Assistant Town Administrators Business**
- Review and consideration of Digital Equity Implementation Grant Agreement with Massachusetts Technology Collaborative
  - Authorize Contract of Services with Laroche Construction Inc. for the Montague Center Library Scrape, Repair, Paint Window Trim project. Contract value is \$14,900.00 to be funded from an existing ARPA appropriation.
  - Status update of capital projects under construction (including but not limited to COA siding, skatepark lighting, South Ferry Rd culvert, Montague Center playground, Avenue A Streetscape)
11. 7:15      **Town Administrators Business**
- Town and Mass Department of Environmental Protection response to Meadow Road culvert flooding and wetlands impacts from ongoing activity at Falls Farm
  - Planning for Fall Special Town Meeting
  - Topics not anticipated in the 48 hour posting
- 7:30PM      Executive session in accordance with G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(1) To discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual.

**Next Meeting:**

- Selectboard, Monday, September 9, 2024 at 6:00 PM, 1 Avenue A, Turners Falls, MA and VIA ZOOM