

MONTAGUE SELECTBOARD MEETING

VIA ZOOM

Monday, September 9, 2024

AGENDA

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89645928440>

Meeting ID: 896 4592 8440 Passcode: 025357 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 August 19, 2024
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. 6:05 **Chelsey Little, CWF Superintendent**
 - FY2025 Sewer Rate Hearing (continued from 8/5/2024)
 - Screw Pump Replacement Project bid opening results
 - CWF Capital Project Updates: Industrial Blvd Pump Station, Ops Boiler/Underground Storage Tank, Septage Receiving Station
 - Permit Discharge Summary for July 2024
5. 6:25 **UMASS Collins Center-** Presentation of Wage and Classification Study
6. 7:00 **Suzanne LoManto, RiverCulture**
 - Use of Peskeompskut Park for a musical performance. September 27, 2024 from 4-9pm (rain date Sunday, 9/28/24, 2pm) co-hosted by RiverCulture.
7. 7:05 **Brian McHugh, Director of Community Development – HRA**
 - To authorize payment to Site Specifics, LLC, in the amount of \$221,167.00 for Custom Designed Play Structures for FY22.23 Montague CDBG Hillcrest Neighborhood Park Construction Project
 - To authorize payment #4 to Clayton D. Davenport Trucking, Inc. in the amount of \$52,738.50 for FY22.23 Montague CDBG Hillcrest Neighborhood Park Construction Project.
 - To approve the Response to Special Conditions for the FY24 Montague CDBG Grant Application.

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8. 7:20

Personnel Board

- CWF Superintendent request to authorize Cell Phone Stipend for Samuel Stevens, CWF Lead Operator, effective 9/9/2024
- Police Chief request to make Conditional Offer of Employment to Rachael Emerson upon completion of a positive interview, academy physical, psychological test, completion of any prerequisite procedures for the full-time academy and completion of said academy
- Police Chief request to offer \$10,000 sign-on bonus for certified, full time police officers
- Appoint Walter Ramsey to the FRCOG Councilor Alternates until June 30, 2025
- Notice that Library Trustees have executed a new employment contract with Library Director Caitlin Kelley. Effective Oct 17, 2024 to Oct 16, 2027. Grade G Step 10 (\$82,394)

9. 7:35

Gill-Montague Regional School District

- Request for \$75,000 to fund Sheffield Elementary School 2024/2025 afterschool program

10. 7:45

Caitlin Kelley, Library Director

- Bid results- Carnegie Basement Rehab
- Consider funding alternate A plus project contingency

11. 7:55

Assistant Town Administrators Business

- Bid results- Town Hall Butler building and shed removal
 - Authorize Contract of Services with Associated Building Wreckers, Inc for the Town Hall – Metal Building and Wooden Shed Demolition project. Contract value is \$10,495.00 to be funded from an existing FY25 Capital Appropriation
- Review of ARPA expenditures and recommendation to close out certain appropriations
 - Consider ARPA appropriations for Screw Pump project overage, Sheffield 24/25 afterschool program, Carnegie Basement Project, and/or Avenue A Ramp

12. 8:10

Town Administrators Business

- Annual Town Meeting Planning: Proposed dates of Wed May 7 and May 14.
- Proposed Strathmore Building #11 disposition and solicitation process, request to spend up to \$4,000 on subdivision survey from Community Development Discretionary Fund.
- Correspondence from Senator Comerford: request comment and statement of support for Northern Rail Passenger Rail project
- Topics not anticipated in the 48 hour posting

Next Meeting:

- Selectboard, Monday, September 16, 2024 at 6:00 PM, 1 Avenue A, Turners Falls and VIA ZOOM