

MONTAGUE SELECTBOARD MEETING

VIA ZOOM

Monday, October 21, 2024

AGENDA

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89498887798>

Meeting ID: 894 9888 7798 Passcode: 876510 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: September 30, 2024 and October 7, 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. 6:04 **Chelsey Little, CWF Superintendent**
 - CWF Main Generator Project Update
 - Execute change order 1005 with Collins Electrical Co. Inc, in the amount of \$14,949.00 to provide the difference in length of the secondary feeders and duct bank, from the base contract to the new location of the Eversource transformer.
 - Operations Building main water line valve/meter update
 - MA Dept of Labor Standards (DLS) safety inspection update (from inspection conducted 2/27/2024)
 - Mass Rural Water Association (MRWA) nomination for Chelsey Little to serve on the Board of Directors for a 3-year term, effective 9/18/2024
 - Permitted discharge summary for September 2024
5. 6:30 **Personnel Board**
 - Appoint Brandin Coates, DPW Building Maintenance, 40 hrs/wk, UE Grade C, Step 1, Effective 10/22/2024
6. 6:35 **Sam Urkiel, DPW Superintendent**
 - October Road Paving Advisory: South Prospect St and Old Sunderland Road
 - North Leverett Road Bridge over Sawmill River replacement status (MassDOT project # 612164)
 - 5th Street Bridge repair/closure updates
7. 6:40 **Suzanne LoManto, RiverCulture Program Director**
 - Suzanne LoManto, Jon Dobosz and Caitlin Kelly present a brief review of NEFA's Making it Public municipal training and the Town's 2025 temporary art installation funded through the Making it Public grant.
 - Suzanne LoManto, Jon Dobosz and Caitlin Kelly use of public property request for the Making it Public Project: Town Hall (1 Avenue A) and the Colle Opera House (85 Avenue A)

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8. 6:50 **Jon Dobosz, Parks & Recreation Director**
- Montague Center Park Improvement updates
 - Review Blacksmith Shop Assessment Report
 - Parks and Recreation Commission request to utilize \$5,000 for phase II of the Blacksmith Shop Assessment to be funded from Unanticipated Engineering account (Current Balance= \$22,200)
9. 7:00 **Seth Rutherford, CEO, 253 Organic LLC**
- Request for amendment to 9/23/24 Recreational Use Host Community Agreement based on new non-compliance finding received from Cannabis Control Commission (Remove Section 12: Indemnification)
10. 7:10 **Assistant Town Administrator's Business**
- 11th Street Bridge Rehabilitation Update; options for project next steps
 - Announce receipt of FY25 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG):
 - \$27,000 for decarbonization study of nine municipal buildings: Carnegie Library; Clean Water Facility Administration; Colle Building; Department of Public Works (DPW) Facility; Hillcrest School; Montague Center Library; Montague Town Hall and Annex; Sheffield Elementary School, Auditorium, and Annex; Unity Park Fieldhouse
 - MassDOT to host Public Notice of Live Virtual Public Information Meeting for planned intersection improvements to Route 63 and North Leverett Road (project No. 610656). Nov 6, 6PM
 - Other Project Updates
11. 7:20 **Town Administrator's Business**
- Review FY26 Budget Calendar
 - Announce receipt of FY25 One-Stop Grants:
 - \$62,000 Community Planning Grant Program- Montague City Village Center Zoning Amendments
 - \$25,000 Mass Downtown Initiative Program- Rural Downtown District Implementation Pilot Project
 - Proposal to add Town Flag for display at Great Hall at MA State House
 - Topics not anticipated within 48 hours
12. 7:30 Executive session in accordance with G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining relating to the 2024 Pay and Classification Study, 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, October 28, 2024 at 6:30 PM via ZOOM.