

MONTAGUE SELECTBOARD MEETING

VIA ZOOM

Monday, April 28, 2025

AGENDA

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82623160961>

Meeting ID: 826 2316 0961 Passcode: 900467 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 April 14 and 22, 2025 if available
3. 6:30 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. 6:32 **Airport Commission**
 - Airport Commission Quarterly Meeting
5. 6:40 **Chris Williams, Chief of Police**
 - Execute contract between the Town of Montague and The Franklin County Sheriff's Office for Regional Animal Control Services
6. 6:45 **John Morin, Bikes Fight Cancer**
 - Request for Use of Public Property on June 14, 2025, from 8:30am to 1:00pm for Bikes Fight Cancer Charity Ride.
7. 6:50 **Personnel Board**
 - Execute Employment Agreement with Eileen Seymour for the Treasurer/Tax Collector position effective May 20,2023 through May 30, 2026. Grade G, Step 10, \$82,394.00
 - Accept Letter of Resignation from Annie Levine as Great Falls Farmers Market Manager effective April 28, 2025
 - Appoint Jenny Vanderbilt to Great Falls Farmers Market Manager effective April 29, 2025, at a stipend wage of \$4,000.00 for a nine-month season, February to October. Not paid for November to January
 - Appoint Harry Kuenzel to Alternate Electrical Inspector effective April 29, 2025, for a 1 year term. Expires 6/30/25
 - Appoint Ethan Thrower, CO-OP student from Franklin County Technical School, as temporary employee of the DPW Department, \$16.50/hour, effective 5/5/2025, 9 hours per day, 4 days a week until 6/27/2025
8. 7:00 **Maureen Pollock, Planning Director**
 - Announce receipt of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs Planning Grant of \$34,000 – For technical assistance in preparing Town's five-year Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP).
 - Announce MVP 2.0 Seed Project - Window Insert Community Build project

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9. 7:15 **Assistant Town Administrator's Business**
- Review and authorize contract amendment with Tighe & Bond for Alternative Design #2 – Proposal for Demolition at the Strathmore Mill Complex. Amendment value is \$17,250.00 to be funded by FY24 state earmark from Department of Conservation & Recreation (DCR)
 - Review and authorize contract amendment with Wright-Pierce for additional construction administration services on Turners Falls Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation project. Amendment value is \$30,000 to be funded by a Rural Development Fund grant from MA Executive Office of Economic Development (EOED)
 - Review and authorize Change Order #1 with Mountain View Landscapes and Lawncare, Inc for ledge encountered during construction at 38 Avenue A. Value is \$1,380.35, to be funded by contingency under ARPA allocation
 - Canal District Bridges Status Update
 - Other Updates
10. 7:15 **Town Administrator's Business**
- Correspondence and report from Six Town Regionalization Planning Board
 - Topics not anticipated in the 48-hour posting requirements
11. 7:20 Executive Session in accordance with G.L. c.30A, §21(a)(6) To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body .15 Power Street, Turners Falls, MA.

Next Meeting:

- Selectboard, Monday, May 5, 2025, at 6:30PM, 1 Avenue A, Turners Falls and via ZOOM.