

MONTAGUE SELECTBOARD and FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

VIA ZOOM

Monday, November 28, 2022

AGENDA

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85773213696>

Meeting ID: 857 7321 3696 Password: 385832 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. 6:30 PM Selectboard Chair opens the meeting, including announcing that the meeting is being recorded and roll call taken
2. 6:30 Approve minutes of November 14 and 21, 2022 (if available)
3. 6:31 Liquor License Hearing
 - Brick and Feather Brewery, Inc., Lawrence D. George II as manager has applied for an alteration of Premises at 78 11th Street, Turners Falls. The proposed alteration would be to add an outdoor seating area approx. 40' x 10' directly in front of the building to be bordered by planters and chains and includes 5 tables with 14 chairs
4. 6:38 Public Comment Period: Individuals will be limited to two (2) minutes each and the Selectboard will strictly adhere to time allotted for public comment
5. 6:40 Planner and Conservation Agent Hiring (Jen Audley)
 - Consider recommended finalists, Maureen Pollock and Angela Wheeler
 - Discuss Next Steps
6. 6:55 Finance Committee
 - Adoption of Financial Policies related to Annual Budget Process, Capital Planning, Financial Reserves (Francia Wisniewski, Jen Audley)
 - [Review of FY21 Audit Report, Update on Development of FY22 Audit Report](#)
 - Montague Retirement Board request authorization for one-time Retiree COLA allowance of 5% (rather than 3% limit) on first \$18,000 of pension payment
7. 7:15 Walter Ramsey, Assistant Town Administrator
 - Request from Ja'Duke for off-site signage to Theater. Consider request and discuss potential policy for tourist oriented signage
 - Framework and timeline for issuance of Request for Proposals for development of between 5 and 12 units of housing at First Street municipal lot (Assessors Map 4 Lot 31)
 - Update on Avenue A Streetscape Project
 - Update on Schedule for FRTA paving of Sandy Lane
8. 7:30 Town Administrator's Business
 - MIIA Grant Award Announcement
 - Request authorization to submit DEP Sewage Notification Assistance Grant Application
 - Update on Tax Classification hearing Process and Date
 - Request to Transfer \$2,000 from Community Development Discretionary Unallocated account to Community Development Downtown Beautification account
 - Topics not anticipated in the 48 hour posting

OTHER:

Next Meeting: Selectboard, Monday, December 5, 2022 at 6:30 PM via ZOOM