

MONTAGUE SELECTBOARD MEETING
Town Hall
1 Avenue A
Turners Falls, MA 01376

Monday, August 9, 2021

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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:
 - Selectboard Meeting July 26, 2021

3. 6:31 Grant of an Easement from the Town to NStar Electric (Eversource) and Verizon New England at Sandy Lane to serve the Kearsarge burn dump solar array

4. 6:35 Pole Location Hearing (continued from July 26, 2021)
 - Eversource is requesting installation of one new pole, for a riser and recloser, to support solar site interconnection. Pole is to be located on western side of Sandy Ln., 16' from the street centerline, approximately 600 ft. south of intersection with Turnpike Road.

5. 6:40 Deed and Agreement for Franklin Regional Transit Authority Bus Maintenance Facility on Sandy Lane
 - Execute revised Quitclaim Deed for the Sale of 5.052 acres off Sandy Lane (Map 21, Lot 149) to Franklin Regional Transit Authority for Purchase price of \$125,000
 - Execute Agreement (Kearsarge Montague LLC Access Right) between Town of Montague, Kearsarge Montague LLC and Franklin Regional Transit Authority

6. 6:50 Daniel Wasiuk, Board of Health Director
 - COVID-19 Case Count and other COVID-19 Updates
 - Progress Report on implementation of Montague Mosquito Control Plan

7. 7:00 Authorize MA DEP Asset Management Grant Program Application, consider possible sources for match funding. Review proposal projects and funding.

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8. 7:10 Joseph Price, The GreenHouse Cannabis Group, Inc.
 - Update on Delivery Courier License and Business Status
 - Proposal for Delivery Operator License/Establishment in Montague

9. 7:20 Authorize master agreement and component documents with FirstLight Hydro LLC associated with the Canal District Gateway Improvement Project at 5th Street, under the authority of 5/5/2021 Annual Town Meeting Article 24. The agreements pertain to the acquisition of easements for the 5th Street Pedestrian Bridge and utilities on Canal Road, and the release of interests in Strathmore Footbridge.

10. 7:30 FY21 Community Development Block Grant Public Information Meeting

11. 8:00 Brian McHugh, F.C. Regional Housing & Redevelopment Authority
 - Authorization to Disburse No. 2, Franklin County CDC, Microenterprise Loan Program, \$400
 - Authorization to Disburse No. 5, Sciaba Construction Corporation, Spinner Park Restoration Project, \$62,937.50
 - For Work completed prior to 6/30/21, \$36,636.75
 - For Work completed 7/2/21 – 7/21/21, \$26,300.75

12. 8:10 Personnel Board
 - Appoint Connor Johnson, DPW Grounds Maintenance, UE, Grade C, Step 1, effective 8/23/21

13. 8:15 September 21, 2021 Election Warrant

14. 8:20 Executive Assistant Report
 - Code Red – Additional Languages Added to Emergency Communication System

15. 8:25 Town Administrator's Report
 - Approve LaRoche Construction Change Order for the COA Roof Replacement Project, \$5,251.07
 - Potential need to bid contract for WPCF Sludge Cake hauling and disposal
 - Update on North Leverett Road Bridge Advocacy
 - Consider Contribution to Fund Study and Grant Application to build a regional digital economy
 - Topics not anticipated in 48 hour posting

16. 8:35 Public Comment Period: Individuals will be limited to two (2) minutes each and the Selectboard will strictly adhere to time allotted for public comment

Other:

Anticipated Next Meeting Date: Monday, August 23, 2021 at 6:00 PM