



# TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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**Select Board  
Meeting Agenda  
Full Zoom**

February 26, 2024  
6:30 p.m.

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*By Lisa M. Pedroli at 3:52 pm, Feb 22, 2024*

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**Call to order: 6:30 p.m.**

A. Consent Items

- a. Review/Approve meeting minutes: 10/23/23 and 11/13/23

B. Appointments and Resignations

- a. Request from Police Chief to appoint Keith Nichols as full-time Patrol Officer effective March 13, 2024

C. New Business

- a. Declare 2001 Ford E-450 Ambulance as surplus
- b. Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical School budget update and request for Town Meeting Warrant Article
- c. Update regarding Conservation Commission membership

D. Old Business

- a. Update regarding healthcare cost increases/options

E. Administrator Updates

F. Public and Board Member Comments (votes will not be taken)

G. Requests for Future Agenda Items

H. Correspondence and Select Board Informational Items (votes will not be taken)

I. Executive Session:

J. Appointments & Resignations

*Please note the Select Board agenda may be subject to change and items not anticipated may be discussed and all listed agenda items may be subject to a vote.*

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<sup>1</sup> On July 16, 2022, Lt. Governor Polito, as Acting Governor, signed into law An Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency. Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 authorized a further extension – until March 31, 2025 – of the remote meeting provisions established by the initial March 12, 2020 Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law. Section (1) of the executive order allowing public access through adequate, alternative means is independent from Section (2), which allows members of the public body to participate remotely. The public body may conduct its proceedings under the relief provided in section (1) or (2) or both.