



# TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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**Select Board**  
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**Town Administrator**  
Jeffrey Nutting  
Interim Town Administrator

Select Board  
Meeting Agenda  
HYBRID MEETING  
Draper Room  
February 13, 2023  
6:30 PM

**RECEIVED**

*By Lisa M. Pedrolì at 12:48 pm, Feb 09, 2023*

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.<sup>1</sup> This meeting will be held via HYBRID means.

If you wish to speak, please reserve comments until the Public Comment section of the meeting. If you are using video, you may either raise your hand to be acknowledged by the Chair or use the “Raise Your Hand” button. Please wait to speak until you are acknowledged by Chair. If participants cannot conduct themselves in accordance with these guidelines, they will be removed from meeting.

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## **Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81873864755?pwd=NU1IU1Y2dXJXNnBqU0hGRm5RODU0QT09>

**Meeting ID: 818 7386 4755**

**Passcode: 746557**

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

### A. Consent Items

- a. Review/Approve Select Board meeting minutes – December 27, 2022 and January 9, 2023
- b. Select Board acknowledgement of The Hopedale Foundation gift to Bancroft Memorial Library

### B. Appointments & Resignations

- a. Resignation of Call Firefighter Catherine D’Alessandro effective 2/17/2023
- b. Appointment of Part-Time Dispatcher McKealy Locklin effective 2/14/2023

### C. New Business

- a. Highway Department Update - Chris Nadeau, Highway Superintendent
- b. Amend Green River Cannabis Company Host Agreement
- c. Consider/Accept Community Paradigm Associate’s Town Administrator search “Position Statement”
- d. Consider warrant article to adopt Local Option Meals Tax
- e. Tree Warden (1) Notice of Intent to not run for re-election (2) Discussion re: changing the position from elected to appointed
- f. Request from Development and Industrial Commission to establish Twitter and Facebook accounts

### D. Old Business

- a. Consider and Vote on Proposed Order of Taking for Land at 364 West Street Pursuant to Article 1 of the July 11, 2022 Special Town Meeting

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

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

- a. Letter from Jeff Nutting to Zoning Board of Appeals

G. Requests for Future Agenda Items

H. Administrator Updates

- a. Financial Summit – February 16, 2023 6:30 p.m. in the Junior-Senior High School Auditorium
- b. Information regarding May 9, 2023 Election schedule

I. Executive Session(s):

- a. Move that the Board enter into executive session pursuant to Purpose 3, G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(3) to discuss litigation strategy if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body (Marjorie Clinton et al v. Town of Hopedale, Worcester Superior Court, Civil Action No. 2385CV00037)
- b. Move that the Board enter into executive session pursuant to Purpose 3, G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body (Collective Bargaining; Local 272 – Hopedale Highway, Water and Sewer)
- c. Purpose 3, G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(3) to discuss litigation strategy if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body (Berger v. Town of Hopedale)

*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>i</sup> This Act includes an extension, until March 31, 2023, of the remote meeting provisions of 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.