



TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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By Lisa M. Pedroli at 3:35 pm, Mar 10, 2022

**Select Board
Meeting Agenda
REMOTE MEETING ONLY
March 14, 2022
7:00 PM**

On June 16, 2021, Governor Baker signed into law An Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency.¹ This meeting will be held via REMOTE means only.

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

Meeting ID: 818 7386 4755

Passcode: 746557

Call to order 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

7:00 PM Request for Approval of a Special, One-Day Beer/Wine License for Saturday, March 26, 2022, 11 am to 11 pm at the FMC Ice Sports located at 121 Plain Street in Hopedale, MA for Bay State Games Curling Competition; *Ellen Argo, Member, Board of Director, Blackstone Valley Curling Club.*

A. Consent Items

1. Approval of February 28, 2022 Regular Minutes
2. Approval of March 4, 2022 Regular Minutes
3. Approval of March 9, 2022 Regular Minutes

B. Appointments and Resignations

1. Appointment of Call Firefighter Jennifer Richard to Permanent Firefighter/EMT, effective December 6, 2021
2. Appointment of Call Firefighter-Candidate Katherine D'Alessandro to Call Firefighter, effective March 1, 2022
3. Appointment of Call Firefighter-Candidate Gavin Martin to Call Firefighter, effective March 1, 2022
4. Appointment of Call Firefighter-Candidate Casey Sweet to Call Firefighter, effective March 1, 2022
5. Resignation of Linda McEwan from the Hopedale Cultural Council, effective March 14, 2022
6. Appointment of Gail Brown to the Hopedale Cultural Council, effective March 14, 2022, for a 3-Year Term
7. Resignation of Saken Khokhar from the Economic Development Committee, effective March 8, 2022

8. Accept Elizabeth Callahan's Notice of Disclosure

C. Public Hearing

D. New Business

1. Request to Permission to Perform Volunteer Service Project, Clean Up Around Spindleville Pond; *Justin Paulson, Den Leader, Hopedale Cub Scouts*
2. Update from Hopedale Schools re: COVID, Budget, Other Misc.; *Superintendent Karen Crebase*
3. Update from Hopedale Water/Sewer Departments; *Tim Watson, Water/Sewer Superintendent*
4. Execute & Sign MOA for Clerical Unit through June 30, 2022 (vote)
5. Review Counsel Opinion re: 187 Freedom Street as Location of Water Tank; Execute & Sign Confirmatory Deed (vote)
6. Schedule Pre-STM Information Session Regarding Town's/GU RR Settlement Agreement

E. Old Business

1. Review and Approve Hopedale Volunteer Release Form, Revised by Berry Insurance (vote)
2. Request to Review HCA Agreement and Change of Address for Green River Cannabis, *Constant Poholek, Owner*

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

G. Correspondence and Selectmen Informational Items (votes will not be taken)

1. A/P Warrant #22-18, \$819,840.06, 2/24/2022
2. P/R Warrant #22-18, \$922,274.19, 2/24/2022
3. A/P Warrant #22-19, \$705,007.69, 3/10/2022
4. P/R Warrant #22-19, \$787,848.38, 3/10/2022
5. Xfinity – Changes to Xfinity TV Services: 1. On April 26, 2022 HSN2 will move from expanded Basic, Entertainment, Xfinity TV Starter and Xfinity TV Economy Plus to Limited Basic, 2. Effective May 12, 2022, FS1 will no longer be offered as part of Digital Economy, but will continue to be available in the Sports & News and Expanded Basic tiers
6. Town's Chapter 90 Apportionment for Fiscal Year 2023 is \$173,447

H. Requests for Future Agenda Items:

Freedom Street Dam Alternatives Analysis, Presentation by Tighe & Bond

I. Administrator Updates (In Packet)

J. Executive Session

In accordance with G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(3) (Purpose #3), to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining and litigation that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining and litigation position of the public body and the chair so declares, which he does. (Collective Bargaining; Hopedale Call Fire/EMS.)

Please note the Select Board agenda may be subject to change and items not anticipated may be discussed

ⁱ This Act includes an extension, until July 15, 2022, of the remote meeting provisions of his 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.