



TOWN OF HOPEDALE

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By Lisa M. Pedroli at 2:54 pm, Aug 10, 2023

**Select Board
Meeting Agenda
HYBRID MEETING
Draper Room
August 14, 2023
6:30 p.m.**

This meeting will be held via HYBRID means¹ and will also be streamed live, click here:
https://townhallstreams.com/towns/hopedale_ma

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87145575031?pwd=eHBzbWFwODhSWUtUandGZmIrWDZqQT09>

Meeting ID: 871 4557 5031

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Public Comments – The Hopedale Select Board encourages citizens to attend its meetings and welcomes their views on pertinent subjects. Anyone may comment for up to three minutes during the Public Comment portion of the agenda regarding an issue that is not on the agenda. However, given that no public notice of the topic has been provided, the Select Board will not engage in discussion. The Select Board will give your issue appropriate consideration. Anyone may also comment during any agenda item for up to three minutes.

Call to order: 6:30 p.m.

A. Executive Session

Move that the Board vote to enter into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c.30A, § 21(a)(3), to discuss strategy with respect to litigation because an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigation position of the Town, and the Chair so declares, in matters captioned Town of Hopedale v. Jon Delli Priscoli, Reilly v. Town of Hopedale, and Grafton & Upton Railroad v. Town of Hopedale. Attorney David Mackey and/or Sean Grammel from Anderson Kreiger LLP attending.

B. Consent Items

- a. Review/Approve Meeting Minutes: 1/20/2021 and 12/12/2022

C. Appointments & Resignations

- a. Appoint Executive Assistant to Town Administrator and Select Board

D. New Business

- a. Change job title of Interim Executive Assistant to Executive Assistant
- b. Review/Adopt Civil Rights Grievance Procedure (Federal grant requirement)
- c. One-Day Beer and Wine License request – Strong Side Brewing Company (Hopedale Cultural Council Day in the Park – September 23)
- d. Review/Approve Tighe & Bond proposal for Town Park Retaining Wall Evaluation (Mike

- Reynolds, Parks Commissioner, attending)
- e. Review of plans for December 2nd Hopedale Winter Stroll & Shop Hop 2023 (Tracy Phillips, President, Friends of Historic Hopedale, attending)
 - f. Appointment of Alternate to the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission
 - g. Schedule workshop to discuss Select Board goals
 - h. Discussion/possible vote re: scheduling Fall Special Town Meeting
 - i. Vote contingent revocation of Class II license for Off-Lease Auto Sales, Inc.
 - j. ARPA funding requests
 - i. Treasurer/Collector – office security measures: \$6,784.00
 - ii. Assessor – Geographic Information System (GIS) staff site: \$950.00

E. 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

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

G. Requests for Future Agenda Items

H. Administrator Updates

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

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.

¹ 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.