



**TOWN OF WESTFORD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, September 8, 2020

7:00 PM

Meeting will be held virtually- instructions are below

1. 7:00 PM **Call to Order**
2. 7:00 PM **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. 7:02 PM **Open Forum/FAQ/Announcements**
4. 7:05 PM **Update on Police Department Activities and Procedures**
– *Police Chief Tom McEnaney and Deputy Police Chief Mark Chambers*
5. 7:25 PM **Joint Meeting with the Finance Committee**
 - i. Review FY21 financials including operating budget and capital requests
 - ii. Special Town Meeting – Saturday, October 17, 2020
 - a. Review proposed warrant articles and draft motions, set the order of the articles and vote to close the warrant
6. 8:10 PM **Community update on the COVID-19 situation and impacts on town operations during this period**
 - i. Consider the Recreation Department’s Westford Partnership for Children (WPC) After-School Enrichment Program based upon School Committee decisions regarding school reopening plans and availability of school space to conduct programs – *Jim Duane, Recreation Director*
7. 8:30 PM **Old/New Business**
 - i. Reconsider the PILOT Agreement relative to the Helena Crocker Residences, an 18-unit senior affordable rental housing development located at 60 Littleton Road, which was previously approved on 6/23/20, as it is not subject to Town Meeting approval
8. 8:35 PM **Consent Agenda- Request to approve the following:**
 - i. Town Common and Bandstand:
Event: The Great Awakening #SaveOurChildren Rally
Applicant: Erin McConnell
Date: Saturday, September 19, 2020
Time: 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

- ii. Continued – General License:
 Event: Witch’s Woods
 Applicant: Douglas C. Deschenes on behalf of Nashoba Valley Ski Area
 Location: Nashoba Valley Ski Area, 79 Powers Road
 Dates: October 1 – 3, October 8 – 10, October 15 – 17, October 22 – 24,
 October 29 – 31
 Time: 5:00 PM – 12:00 AM

- iii. Continued – Public Entertainment on Sunday License:
 Event: Witch’s Woods
 Applicant: Douglas C. Deschenes on behalf of Nashoba Valley Ski Area
 Location: Nashoba Valley Ski Area, 79 Powers Road
 Dates: October 4, 11, 18, and 25
 Time: 5:00 PM – 12:00 AM

- iv. Banner:
 Event: Special Town Meeting
 Applicant: Lynn Cohen on behalf of the League of Women Voters of Westford
 Dates: Saturday, October 10, 2020 to Tuesday, October 20, 2020
 Location: First Parish Church

9. 8:40 PM **Minutes for Approval**
Executive Session – For Release
 • January 12, 2016

10. 8:45 PM **Board Reports/Updates**

11. 8:50 PM **Town Manager’s Report**

- i. Notify board of a request received from a resident seeking communication access real-time (CART) translation services to be available, upon advanced request, for public meetings
- ii. Request to accept a grant from the Massachusetts Green Communities Grant Program in the amount of \$95,000 to partially fund three energy efficiency projects at the Westford Public Schools
- iii. Request to vote and execute Bond Anticipation Notes (BANs) in the amount of \$5,764,076 for various town projects
- iv. Request approval of the following:
 - a. Contracts:
 - 1. BSC Group, Inc. for final design and bidding documents for the new grave section at Pine Grove Cemetery in the amount of \$25,300, as requested by the Cemetery Department
 - 2. Stantec Consulting Services Inc. for landfill monitoring services in the amount of \$12,265
 - 3. Blue Cross Blue Shield (BCBS) for health insurance coverage at a 4.9% premium renewal increase for town employees, and an 11.9% decrease in Medicare premium for retirees, pending receipt of prescription drug premium

- b. Purchase Orders:
 - 1. Presidio for phase 3 of the municipal phone system upgrade in the amount of \$132,457.01, as requested by the Technology Department
 - 2. Merrimack Valley Emergency Physicians Inc. for medical direction services in the amount of \$18,000, as requested by the Fire Department

12. 8:55 PM **Correspondence**

13. 9:00 PM **Adjournment**

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- 2. WCAT will be broadcasting the meeting live on channels 9 (Comcast) and 34 (Verizon). They also will be streaming the video online. Please see their website for more details: www.westfordcat.org.
- 3. Meeting participants that require closed captioning services may access them at the following website: <https://www.streamtext.net/player?event=TOW>. Please note: this link will open a 3rd party webpage that will display a written text transcript of the live public meeting.

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Incoming Correspondence:

IC 01	08/21/2020	Letter from the Massachusetts Office of Leasing and State Office Planning regarding a recently issued Request for Proposals
IC 02	08/24/2020	GNC Holdings Proof of Claim Form
IC 03	08/27/2020	Northern Middlesex Council of Governments Summary of NMSC Activities and data from ThinkBlue Massachusetts
IC 04	08/27/2020	Department of Energy Resources Green Communities Division Grant Award
IC 05	08/27/2020	Xfinity Programming Change
IC 06	09/01/2020	Verizon Fios TV Programming Change

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