



## Town of Ayer

### **\*Ayer Board of Selectmen Meeting Highlights from February 18, 2020**

- The Ayer BOS Meeting was called to order in Open Session at 6:00pm in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Ayer Town Hall.
- The Ayer BOS conducted a Public Hearing for a Pole Petition for National Grid and Verizon for Elm Street and voted (3-0) to approve the pole petition. The Ayer BOS conducted a Public Hearing for a Pole Petition for National Grid and Verizon for East Main Street and voted (3-0) to approve the pole petition.
- The BOS voted (3-0) to approve the order of takings for temporary easements for East Main Street as part of the East Main Street improvement project. The BOS voted (3-0) to open the Annual Town Meeting Warrant for May 11, 2020. The deadline for Citizens Petitions will be 12pm on Friday, April 3, 2020.
- The BOS received an Administrative Update from the Town Manager which included a FY 2021 Budget Update. The BOS discussed a proposal from the Town Manager and Finance Manager for the creation of a Compensated Balances Budget Line Item. The BOS discussed a proposal from the Town Manager, Finance Manager, and Benefits & Payroll Manager about forward funding the Town's Pension Assessment for the purposes of realizing future financial savings. The BOS also discussed the proposed/potential uses for "Free Cash" in FY 2021 with the Town Manager and Finance Manager.
- The BOS rescheduled their March 3, 2020 BOS Meeting due to the election that day to WEDNESDAY, March 4, 2020 at 6pm. The BOS reviewed and voted (3-0) to approve the U.S. Census Boundary Validation Maps for the Town of Ayer as recommended by the Town Manager, Town Assessor, Town Planner, and Town Engineer.
- Selectman Livingston discussed scheduling the FY 2021 Water and Sewer Rate(s) Public Hearing for either March 24, 2020 at 6pm or March 31, 2020 at 6pm under New Business. The date to be finalized by this Friday.
- The BOS voted (3-0) to approve the meeting minutes from February 4, 2020.
- The BOS voted by roll call vote (Houde, Y; Livingston, Y; Copeland, Y) to enter into Executive Session pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21A, Exemption #3 (Litigation Strategy) and to adjourn for the evening at the conclusion of the Executive Session.

*\*(Note: The BOS Meeting Highlights are for public informational purposes only and do not constitute an official record of the BOS nor do they constitute the official meeting minutes.)*

*The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Ayer Board of Selectmen will be on Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 6:00pm.*