

Town of Ayer

*Ayer Select Board Meeting Highlights from August 16, 2022

This meeting of the Ayer Select Board was held in-person at Town Hall. Members of the public attended in-person as well as remotely. An option for remote attendance/participation via Zoom was provided as a courtesy to the public.

- The Ayer Select Board (SB) Meeting was called to order in Open Session at 6:00pm.
- The SB voted (3-0) to ratify the Town Manager's appointment of Ms. Amanda Lewis as Benefits & Payroll Manager for the Town of Ayer.
- The SB met with Mr. Peter Cunningham of the Friends of the Nashua River Rail Trail and voted (3-0) to authorize a letter to the Governor requesting that the Department of Conservation and Recreation commence with the planning process for the reconstruction of the Nashua River Rail Trail.
- The SB met with the Town Clerk regarding an update on the upcoming elections this Fall.
- The SB received an update on the drought and water supply conditions from the DPW Director and Water and Sewer Superintendent. The SB voted (3-0) to approve the Agreement for Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Services with MassDevelopment. The SB voted (3-0) to approve Change Order #1 for the Westford Road Water and Sewer Replacement Project. The SB voted (3-0) to approve Change Order #3 for the Spectacle Pond Treatment Plant PFAS Treatment Facility. The SB received an update on the Main Street traffic calming measures from the DPW Director and the Director of Community & Economic Development.
- The SB voted (3-0) to open the Fall Special Town Meeting Warrant for October 24, 2022 (Note: The deadline for Warrant Articles and Citizen's Petitions is Friday, September 30, 2022 at 1pm; the SB will review and approve the Warrant on October 4, 2022; the last day to register to vote for the Fall Special Town Meeting will be October 14, 2022; and the Fall Special Town Meeting will take place on Monday, October 24, 2022 at 7pm in the Auditorium of the Ayer Shirley Regional High School)
- The SB received and Administrative Update from the Town Manager on the various activities, initiatives, and projects of the Town since the SB last met on July 13, 2022. The SB voted (3-0) to accept a donation in the amount of \$100 for the COA/Senior Center. The SB set its September Meeting Schedule as follows: Wednesday, September 7, 2022 at 5:30pm and Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at 6pm. (Note: The SB changed the original date for the September 6 meeting as that is the day of the State Primary Election at Town Hall) The SB received an update on the restoration of the Town Hall Cannon (Howitzer).
- The SB voted (3-0) to approve the meeting minutes from July 13, 2022.

• The SB voted (3-0) by roll call vote (J. Livingston, Y; S. Copeland, Y; S. Houde, Y) to enter into Executive Session pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21A, Exemption #2 (Non-Union Personnel) for purposes of the Benefits & Payroll Manager Personal Services Contract and to adjourn for the evening at the conclusion of the Executive Session.

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

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Ayer Select Board will be on **WEDNESDAY**, September 7, 2022, at **5:30pm**. This will be an in-person meeting at Town Hall with an option for the public to attend/participate remotely via Zoom.