



Town of Ayer

***Ayer Select Board Meeting Highlights from July 13, 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 observed a moment of silence in memory and honor of Clark W. Paige.
- The SB voted (3-0) to approve the petition for the intent to layout Woodland Way and Hemlock Drive from the intersection of Woodland Way to its end as public ways.
- Police Chief Gill appeared before the SB to publicly recognize the Ayer DPW, Fire, and Police Departments as well as various regional law enforcement agencies for their assistance in Town regarding a recent event on July 1, 2022. Chief Gill also announced the recent Accreditation of the Ayer Police Department and thanked everyone involved in that important process.
- The SB received a presentation from the Town Manager, COA Director, and the Senior Center Site Selection Working Group on the status of the site selection process for a new Senior Center. The SB voted (3-0) to accept an anonymous gift in the amount of \$1,500 for the COA.
- The SB voted (3-0) to approve a contract extension amendment for the Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Services Contract with MassDevelopment. The SB received a presentation and update from the DPW Director on the current drought status in Ayer and Massachusetts. The SB received a presentation from the DPW Director on planning for converting the Town's vehicle fleet to electric. The SB received a brief update on various DPW projects from the DPW Director.
- The SB received a presentation from the Devens Enterprise Commission regarding a request to eliminate the Devens Commercial Development Cap. The SB voted (3-0) to approve a letter requesting the State Legislative Delegation to introduce legislation to eliminate the Devens Commercial Development Cap. The Select Board invited the President of MassDevelopment, Dan Rivera to the August 16, 2022 Select Board Meeting.
- The SB voted (3-0) to authorize two letters to request a waiver from appraisal requirements for the 40B project at 65 Fitchburg Road on recommendation of the Ayer Office of Community and Economic Development.

- The SB voted (3-0) to appoint the following individuals to the Cemetery Commission: Sam Goodwin (3-year term); Betsy Diskin (2-year term); Susan Tordella-Williams (1 year term). The SB voted (3-0) to appoint the following individuals to the Cable Contract Advisory Committee: Scott Kurland; Janet Providakes; Julie Murray; Chief Gill; and Select Board Member Jannice Livingston as the Select Board representative.
- The Town Manager made a brief presentation along with the Director of Community and Economic Development regarding the Town Hall cannon (howitzer) and the plan to have the memorial marker and the howitzer placed together on a concrete base and to have the howitzer historically restored.
- The SB voted (3-0) to approve the meeting minutes for June 21, 2022.
- The SB voted (3-0) to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:28pm.

**(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 Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at 6pm. This will be an in-person meeting at Town Hall with an option for the public to attend/participate remotely via Zoom.