



Town of Ayer

***Ayer Select Board Meeting Highlights from June 1, 2021**

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic and in accordance with Governor Baker's Emergency Order temporarily suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law; Public bodies otherwise governed by the OML are temporarily relieved from the requirement that meetings be held in public places, open and physically accessible to the public, so long as measures are taken to ensure public access to the bodies' deliberation "though adequate, alternative means".

- The Ayer Select Board (SB) Meeting was called to order in Open Session at 6:00pm. The meeting was conducted using public remote participation technology which consisted of a live broadcast of the meeting on Channel 8 as well as a live stream on www.ayerpublicaccess.org and by Zoom conferencing technology. The Public was instructed to call in remotely to a teleconference number or via Zoom conferencing technology if they wanted to provide any public input or ask any questions.
- The SB voted (3-0) by roll call vote (S. Copeland, Y; S. Houde, Y; J. Livingston, Y) to ratify the appointment of Deputy Police Chief Brian Gill as the next Chief of Police effective on June 30, 2021, upon the retirement of Police Chief William Murray.
- The SB received an updated from the Ayer Library Director regarding the Library's Strategic Plan. The Library Director advised that the Ayer Library plans to reopen to the public on June 15.
- The SB received a presentation from Mr. Geof Tillotson regarding the Nashoba Regional Greenway "NRG".
- The SB voted (3-0) by roll call vote (S. Copeland, Y; S. Houde, Y; J. Livingston, Y) to approve the Groton Shirley Road Utilities Upgrade Change Order #1. The SB voted (3-0) by roll call vote (S. Copeland, Y; S. Houde, Y; J. Livingston, Y) to approve the title change of the position of DPW Superintendent to Director of Public Works and to approve the DPW Organizational Chart as presented. The SB voted (3-0) by roll call vote (S. Copeland, Y; S. Houde, Y; J. Livingston, Y) to approve the Sewer Rules and Regulations as presented.
- The SB received an Administrative Update from the Town Manager. The SB received a COVID-19 Update and Reopening Plan Update from the Town Manager. Town Hall reopened to the public during normal business hours on June 1. The Parks Commission has opened the Sandy Pond Beach to residents only. The Transfer Station Swap Shed will reopen on June 2. The Ayer Library will reopen to the public on June 15.

- The SB voted (3-0) by roll call vote (S. Copeland, Y; S. Houde, Y; J. Livingston, Y) to approve the 2021 Reappointments of several individuals to various Town Boards, Commissions, and Committees as outlined in the May 28, 2021 memo from the Assistant Town Manager.
- The SB set its Summer Meeting Schedule as follows: June 15 at 6pm; July 14 (Wed) at 6pm; and August 17 at 6pm.
- SB Member S. Houde under New Business asked for a debrief at the next meeting of the major construction/development project ongoing in Town.
- The SB voted (3-0) by roll call vote (S. Copeland, Y; S. Houde, Y; J. Livingston, Y) to approve the April 20, 2021, and May 4, 2021, meeting minutes.
- The SB voted (3-0) by roll call vote (S. Copeland, Y; S. Houde, Y; J. Livingston, Y) to adjourn the meeting at 7:05pm

**(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 meeting of the Ayer Select Board will be on Tuesday, June 15, 2021, at 6:00pm