



Town of Ayer

***Ayer Select Board Meeting Highlights from July 18, 2023**

This meeting of the Ayer Select Board was held in-person at the Ayer Town Hall with a remote participation option on Zoom for the Public.

- The Select Board (SB) Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm in Open Session.
- The SB heard Public Input from various individuals regarding the proposed Senior/Community Center Project. *(Note: Next meeting of the Senior/Community Center Building Committee is July 26, 2023 at 4:15pm at Town Hall)*
- The SB conducted a Public Hearing for an application for an All-Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant License for Pleasant Café Inc. of Ayer, 7 Depot Square Ayer. The SB voted (3-0) to approve the license application.
- The SB received an update on the Town's Municipal Aggregation Plan from the Colonial Power Group. *(Note: To review the DRAFT Municipal Aggregation Plan and to offer public comment please visit www.ayer.ma.us/energy The DRAFT Aggregation Plan can also be reviewed at the Select Board or Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall).*
- The SB voted (3-0) to approve a water bill abatement for 95 Washington Street.
- The SB voted (3-0) to authorize up to \$150,000 from ARPA Funds to the Senior/Community Center Building Committee for the purposes of project design and due diligence for the purposes of presenting to a future Town Meeting.
- The SB voted (3-0) to expand the seats on the Ayer + Devens 2033 Study & Report Committee from five (5) Resident Members to seven (7) Resident Members for a total of eleven (11) members of the Committee. The SB voted (3-0) to appoint the following Resident Members to the Committee: Jim Fay; Rebecca Jones; Sandra Kelley; Rachel Kouzera; Barry Schwarzel; Eric Sechman; Ben Vogelsang.
- The SB voted (3-0) to ratify the emergency agreement for the West Main Street Emergency Sewer Trunk Repair with GVC Construction up to \$100,000. The SB voted (3-0) to authorize an amendment to the West Main Street Emergency Sewer Trunk Repair of up to \$250,000. The SB voted (3-0) to authorize up to \$600,000 in ARPA Funds for the Sandy Pond Road Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project. The SB voted (3-0) to approve the contract in the total amount of \$1,398,831 to National Water Main Cleaning Company for the Sandy Pond Road Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project. The SB voted (3-0) to approve Change Order #2 for the Ayer West Main Street Public Infrastructure Project (MassWorks) in the amount of \$347,105.

- The SB received a water supply update from the DPW Director. The SB received an update on the implementation of a 4-way stop at the Central Ave./Groton Harvard Road to be effective July 26, 2023. The SB received an update from the DPW Director on the Transfer Station Wednesday hours.
- The SB received an Administrative Update from the Town Manager. The SB voted (3-0) to appoint Amanda Lewis, Benefits and Payroll Manager as the Non-Union Employee on the Town's Insurance Advisory Committee (IAC). The SB voted (3-0) to appoint Kevin Johnston as the Retiree Representative on the Town's Insurance Advisory Committee (IAC). The SB received an update from the Town Manager on the Opioid Settlement allocations.
- The SB received an update from Select Board Member Livingston regarding the recent Devens Jurisdictional Framework Committee Meeting.
- The SB voted (3-0) to adjourn the meeting at 8:37pm.

**(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 August 15, 2023, at 6pm. This will be an in-person meeting with a remote participation option on Zoom for the Public.