



AGENDA

SELECTBOARD MEETING

March 29, 2010

***Indicates item added on since previous Friday
bold underlined time = invited guest or advertised hearing
(all other times are approximate)

Call to Order

4:30 p.m. Old Business

- € Review minutes from 3/15 & 3/25 (1 min)
- € Timeline for Annual Town Meeting (5 min)
 - There were schedule conflicts with all four Saturdays in June. Monday, June 21st is the recommended date, with a 7:00pm start (in case we need to have a Special Town Meeting beforehand). In case one night isn't sufficient, Wed., June 23rd is suggested as the continuation date, also at 7:00pm. It's also been suggested we have a predetermined stop time, at least for the first night.
 - Mon, June 21st at 7:00pm = Annual Town Meeting
 - Mon, June 14th = last day for Constables to post warrant
 - Mon, June 7th = regular Selectboard meeting – sign warrant
 - Thur, May 6th = warrant is closed (deadline to submit articles)
- € Report on 3/25 Meeting of GMRSD Financial Stability Advisory Group and 3/27 Hampshire/Franklin Municipal Conference (15 min.)
- € HRS Police/Fire/Highway Study (2 min)
 - Does the Board have a preference between Monday 4/26 and Tuesday 4/27 as the date for the presentation by Sandy Stapczynski of her final report? Whichever night you choose, the other will be a regularly scheduled Selectboard meeting, unless you want to combine the two into one long meeting.
- € Gill Elementary School – Water Well Update (1 min)
 - Mass Rural Water Association did not detect any leaks during their visit on 3/19. It was suggested that water from inside the electric conduit might be finding its way into the well water, so that will be addressed. On a related note, we can expect a bill for the extra water monitoring and testing necessitated by last year's water problem.
- € EECBG Grant & ESCO Investment Grade Audit (5 min)
 - The contract with the Commonwealth for the \$150K grant was signed on 3/25. There are still two actions that must be done before we can receive any of those funds – completion of the Investment Grade Audit on the elementary school, and Town Meeting approval of the ESCO Performance Contract with Siemens Building Technologies.

- DOER expects to announce our Technical Assistance/Owner’s Agent in the next week or so. (This is the other grant we received. It’s an unspecified amount, capped at \$50,000.)

5:00 p.m. New Business

- € Fire Department FY10 Budget & Planned Purchases (10 min)
 - Chief Beaubien has asked to meet with the Board to discuss purchases the Fire Department would like to make between now and the end of this fiscal year. These are items that were included in the budget approved for this year.
- € Lapachinski Letter of Resignation (1 min)
 - A letter of resignation has been received from Peter Lapachinski, who was a part time & reserve officer for Gill. He has recently taken a full time position with the Montague Police Department.
- € Letter to Support FRCOG Grant Application to Study Dispatch Service (2 min)
 - As reported in Thursday’s (3/25) Recorder, the FRCOG is applying for a grant to fund a study of dispatch services across Franklin County. They have asked Selectboards across the county to send letters in support of their application.
- € Census Posters (1 min)
 - Four students in Gill Elementary’s 6th Grade have provided Town Hall with brightly colored, hand-lettered posters explaining the importance of completing and returning US Census Forms. As a community that was most likely undercounted in 2000, we can’t overstate the importance of getting a complete count this time.

5:20 p.m. Warrant # 20

Adjournment

Other Invitations/Meetings:

Date	Time	Event	Location
3/31	6:00pm	Green Communities Act – Info Session	Town Hall
4/6	7-9pm	Cultural Council – Old Maps of Gill	Upstairs, Town Hall
4/7	5pm/5:30pm	Auction of Tax Title Properties	Chase Rd / Main Rd
4/12	4:30pm	Selectboard	Town Hall
4/12		Anticipated start of Financial Audit	
5/17	Noon-8pm	Annual Town Elections	Fire Station