

SELECTBOARD AGENDA& MEETING NOTICE

July 19, 2021

***Indicates item added after the 48 hour posting

bold underlined time = invited guest or advertised hearing

(all other times are approximate)

Location: Gill Town Hall, 2nd Floor

Face coverings required if not fully vaccinated for COVID-19

5:30 PM <u>Call to Order</u> (If the meeting is being videotaped, announce that fact. If remote participation will occur, announce member & reason, & need for roll call voting)

Joint Vote with Board of Health

Appointment of Jeffrey Blomstedt, 78 French King Highway to the Board of Health through 2022
 Town Election – Joint vote of Selectboard & remaining BOH members

Old Business

- Review of Minutes
- o Gill Elementary School Floor Replacement Project report on any new information or updates
- Highway Truck
 - Results from July 12th Debt Exclusion Ballot 68 yes, 23 no. Passed.
 - Request to place order for new truck and equipment from Minuteman Trucks Inc dba Allegiance Trucks – 2022 International HV507 SFA, total cost not to exceed \$201,808 per pricing from MAPC/GBPC bid
 - What to do with 2009 Sterling? Options include trade in, local sealed bid, online auction...
- Notice of Intent to Sell & Right of First Refusal 6.51 acres owned by James & Sonja McComb, land is on Dole Road, Map 208, Lot 11.2
 - Report on feedback from Board of Assessors, Conservation Commission, and Planning Board
 - Selectboard decision on whether or not to exercise the Town's right of first refusal by purchasing the property for \$162,500
- Update on Alternative Mosquito Control Plan approved by Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EEA) on 7/12/21

New Business

- Reappointment: Terri Rice, 37 Riverview Drive, to the Historical Commission for July 1, 2021 June 30, 2024
- o Sewer Commitment #2021-004 \$53,788.54 for the bill date of 7/20/21
- Request from Rep. Susannah Whipps for prioritized list of local projects to receive funding (American Jobs Plan) for consideration by Joint Committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures, & State Assets
- Other business as may arise after the agenda has been posted.
- Public Service Announcements, if any

Warrants

FY21 #27 Vendors (\$74,989.09) & Payroll (\$20,767.18) – reviewed & signed on 7/6/21

FY22 #01 Vendors (\$150,635.83) & Payroll (\$2,757.36) – reviewed & signed on 7/6/21 FY21 #28 & FY22 # 02 – review & sign

Adjournment

Other Invitations/Meetings:

Date	Time	Event	Location
Mon 8/2	5:30 PM	Selectboard meeting	Gill Town Hall, 2 nd floor
Mon 8/16	5:30 PM	Selectboard meeting	Gill Town Hall, 2 nd floor
Tues 8/30	5:30 PM	Selectboard meeting	Gill Town Hall, 2 nd floor

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June 18, 2021

Board of Selectmen c/o Town Clerk, Town of Gill Town Hall 325 Main Road Gill, MA 01354

RE: JAMES H. McCOMB, JR. and SONJA K. McCOMB

Map 208, Lot 11.2 Gill

Dear Selectboard Members:

Jim and Sonja McComb own a 6.51-acre parcel of vacant land along the north side of Dole Road that is currently classified, valued, assessed and taxed pursuant to said Chapter 61A, and is shown on Gill Assessors' Map 208 as Lot 11.2.

This lot is being sold by Jim and Sonja McComb to Mary J. Meyer who intends to construct a personal residence upon the lot. The sale price is \$162,500.00 as detailed in the attached Purchase and Sale Agreement.

The purpose of this notice is to acknowledge the Town's right of first refusal pursuant to the provisions of said M.G.L. Chapter 61A.

In the event the town does not exercise its right of first refusal, I would appreciate being provided with the enclosed Notice of Intent Not to Exercise Option after it has been signed by a majority of the board members with at least one board member having his or her signature notarized.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Very truly yours,

Robert R Carev

RRC:epf Enclosures Gill Planning Board Town Hall 325 Main Road P.O. Box 240 Gill, MA 01354

Gill Conservation Commission Town Hall 325 Main Road P.O. Box 240 Gill, MA 01354

Gill Board of Assessors Town Hall 325 Main Road P.O. Box 240 Gill, MA 01354

State Forester c/o Commissioner of Department of Conservation and Recreation 251 Causeway Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114-2104

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James McComb, & Sonja McComb c/o Atty. Robert R. Carey Curtiss, Carey, Gates & Goodridge, LLP 377 Main Street, P.O. Box 509 Greenfield, MA 01302-0509

NOTICE OF INTENT NOT TO EXERCISE OPTION UNDER MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 61A

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Notice of Intent made in accordance with the provision of M.G.L. Chapter 61A, to sell land that is currently valued, assessed and taxed on the basis of its agricultural use pursuant to said Chapter 61A, said land Containing 6.51 acres, more or less, and being shown on Gill Tax Map 208 as Lot 11.2 and more particularly described as Lot 3 on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land Located in Gill, Massachusetts, Surveyed for James H. McComb, Jr. and Sonja K. McComb, Gill, Massachusetts" by Dale A. Merritt PLS dated May 18, 1998 and recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds in Plan Book 103, Page 81; and being a portion of the same premises conveyed to James H. McComb, Jr. and Sonja K. McComb recorded in the Franklin County Registry of Deeds Book 1624, Page 236.

Please be advised that the Town of Gill <u>WILL NOT EXERCISE ITS OPTION</u> to purchase said land in accordance with said Chapter 61A, and hereby waives the one hundred twenty (120) day period, in which such option may be exercised.

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Franklin, ss.	, 2021
On this day of	, 2021, before me, the undersigned
notary public, personally appeared	, proved to
me through satisfactory ev	vidence of identification, which was
	to be the person whose name is signed
on the preceding or attached docume	ent, and acknowledged to me that he/she signed it
voluntarily for its stated purpose.	
	Notary Public

Printed name:
My commission expires:



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900

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Charles D. Baker GOVERNOR

Karyn E. Polito LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Kathleen A. Theoharides SECRETARY

Tel: (617) 626-1000 Fax: (617) 626-1081 http://www.mass.gov/eea

July 12, 2021

Town of Gill Select Board 325 Main Road Gill, MA 01354

To Whom it May Concern,

M.G.L. Chapter 252, Section 2A(b)(2) requires EEA to establish a process to allow a municipality to request to opt out of mosquito control spraying, either aerial or ground-based, conducted by the State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board ("SRMCB") under M.G.L. c. 252, Section 2A(a). For the SRMCB to recognize a municipal opt out, the municipality must first have an alternative management plan ("plan") approved by the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs ("EEA").

In accordance with M.G.L. c. 252, Section 2A(b)(2), EEA has reviewed your municipality's plan. EEA assessed the impact of your municipality's alternative plan on regional mosquito control should your request to opt-out be approved, with consideration for historical arbovirus risk and with consideration for strength of plan submission. The impact of your plan as compared to mosquito control conducted by the SRMCB is rated as *minimal or low regional risk*. As a result, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 252, Section 2A(b)(2), EEA has made a determination to **approve** your plan for 2021. This determination will be shared with the SRMCB so that it can take the necessary steps to recognize the opt out under the statute.

When executing your plan, please be aware that approval of this plan does not relieve an applicant of the necessity of complying with all applicable federal, state or local statutes, ordinances, bylaws or regulations, including but not limited to those administered by your local Conservation Commission, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, and Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. Further, your municipality's opt out does not extend to state-owned land within your municipality's boundaries.

Despite approval, there remain substantial opportunities for improvement in all plan submissions this year. This includes the existence of and quality of alternative mosquito control management services to be provided, implementation of source reduction methods, data collection and

analysis, assessment of efficacy, and regional coordination. Most importantly, this also includes the extensiveness of education and outreach to local residents.

Guidance for next year's opt-out application program will be forthcoming. We expect that the application will have an expanded scope and requirements, and applications will be subject to significantly more stringent review. There should be no expectation that an approval decision for the 2021 season will carry forward to the 2022 season.

Public health outcomes are driven in part by local mosquito control actions. To facilitate planning improvements throughout the remainder of this season, please see attached for a document containing mosquito control resources for cities and towns. We expect that your municipality will review these materials and implement best practices to the maximum extent practicable throughout the rest of the season.

Sincerely,

Kathleen A. Theoharides

Secretary

Attachment: Mosquito Control Resources

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CC: State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board



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OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS Sewer Use Charges and Inspection Fees

To: Town Accountant

You are hereby notified that COMMITMENT(S) as shown below has (have) this day been made by the Board of Sewer Commissioners to <u>Thomas Hodak</u>, Tax Collector (Town Collector) and Collector of Sewer Charges. Bill date is July 20, 2021.

Collector) and Collector of Sewer Charges. Bill date is July 20, 2021.
This is commitment number 2021-004.
To: Thomas Hodak, Tax Collector (Town Collector) and Collector of Sewer Charges for the Town of Gill in the County of Franklin: You are hereby required to collect from the several persons named in the list dated July 8, 2021, herewith committed to you the amount of the sewer usage charges assessed therein to each such person, with penalties, the sum total of such list being Fifty Three
Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Eight and 54/100 Dollars (\$53,788.54).
Given under our hands the 19 th day of July, 2021.
Gregory M. Snedeker
Charles J. Garbiel II
Randy P. Crochier
Board of Sewer Commissioners of the Town of Gill

Ray Purington/Gill Selectboard

From: Whipps, Susannah - Rep. (HOU) < Susannah.Whipps@mahouse.gov>

Sent:Tuesday, July 13, 2021 3:04 PMTo:Whipps, Susannah - Rep. (HOU)Cc:McMahon, Rachel (HOU)Subject:Federal infrastructure money

Hello Local Leader,

As the legislature works on developing a plan to spend a significant amount of federal infrastructure dollars (Biden Administration's American Jobs Plan) I would like a list of some local projects you would like me to submit for consideration to the Chair of the Joint Committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets.

Please send your list in order of priority to Rachel (cc'ed above) at your earliest convenience.

Project name/location:

Brief Description:

Amount needed:

Your response isn't a guarantee that these projects will be funded, but there's a great deal to be distributed and I want to secure as much as possible for the region.

Thank you for your time and don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Susannah Whipps Representative - 2nd Franklin District

District Office - 978-895-9606

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