



SELECTBOARD AGENDA & MEETING NOTICE

May 23, 2022

***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

4:30 PM Call to Order (If the meeting is being videotaped, announce that fact. If remote participation will occur, announce member & reason, & need for roll call voting)

Reorganization

- Election of Chair & Clerk
- Appoint Representative to Personnel Committee (currently Randy Crochier)
- Appoint Representative to FRCOG (currently Greg Snedeker)
- Appoint Representative to Franklin Regional Planning Board (currently John Ward, with Greg Snedeker as alternate)
- Appoint Representative to FRTA (currently Randy Crochier, and Ray as alternate)
- Appoint Representative to Cable Advisory Committee (currently Charles Garbiel thru 6/30/22)
- Appoint Representative to Capital Improvement Planning Committee (currently Greg Snedeker thru 6/30/2022)

Old Business

- Review of Minutes from 3/28/22, 4/25/22, and 5/9/22

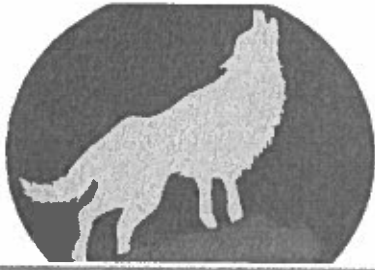
New Business

- Quintus Allen Fund Request from Principal Lisa Desjarlais - \$2,268 for freestanding netting behind the basketball hoops at Gill Elementary School
- ARPA Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Relief Spending Plan
 - Consider Using \$168,593 of ARPA Funding for Purchase of “Responder” Fire Truck for Fire Department, contingent upon Town Meeting and Debt Exclusion approval of other funds for the purchase
 - Consider Using \$48,407 of ARPA Funding for Purchase of International CV515 for Highway Department, contingent upon Town Meeting approval of other funds for the purchase
- Vote to Opt Out of Mosquito Spraying conducted by the State Reclamation & Mosquito Control Board and Review and Approval of Gill Alternative Mosquito Management Plan
 - Board of Health letter recommending the Town opt out from spraying activities
 - Consideration of any public comments
- Other business as may arise after the agenda has been posted.
- Public Service Announcements, if any
 - Memorial Day Services – Sunday, May 29th 9:30 at Gill Church and Veterans Monuments
- Warrants
 - FY22 #23 Vendors (\$15,205.40) & Payroll (\$22,898.26) – reviewed & signed on 5/9/22
 - FY22 #24 – review & sign

Adjournment

Other Invitations/Meetings:

Date	Time	Event	Location
Mon 5/30		Memorial Day holiday	
Mon 6/6	5:30 PM	Selectboard meeting	Gill Town Hall, 2 nd floor
Mon 6/20		Juneteenth holiday (observed)	
Tue 6/21	12 – 8 PM	(tentative) Debt Exclusion election	Gill Town Hall, 2 nd floor
Wed 6/22	5:30 PM	??? Gill Selectboard meeting ???	Gill Town Hall, 2 nd floor



GILL

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

May 9, 2022

To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of the Gill Elementary School to request \$2386 from the Quintus Allen Fund to be used to set up freestanding netting to go around the blacktop where the basketball hoops are. The blacktop tends not to be used as much as students and staff would like, as the basketball hoops have no netting behind them or backstops. This results in students continually chasing balls down into the woods and fields. The PE teacher, Ron Wood, is in full support of this plan as it would allow us to expand our PE programming.

This purchase would include :

- 2 "Stop that Ball" net systems (50 feet long each) @ 849.99 each
- 1 "Stop that Ball" 10 foot extender kit @ 199.99
- Cost for shipping is 367.99
- Cost for taxes is 118.74

With these purchases, all students will have more recess options to engage in team sports and organized sports. In addition, the netting will keep students safe, away from traffic and cars in the parking lot, and out of the woods from ticks, stinging insects, pricklers, and other items.

Thank you for your attention and time to this request.

Sincerely,

Lisa Desjarlais



Deliver to Lisa South Hadley 01075

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Hello, Lisa Account & Lists

Returns & Orders



All Buy Again Best Sellers Amazon Basics Shopper Toolkit Health & Household Amazon Outlet Gear up for spring outdoors



\$60 instant gift card

lisa, get \$60 off instantly upon approval for the Prime Store Card.

Current subtotal: \$1,899.97
Gift Card savings: -\$60.00
Cost after savings: \$1,839.97

Learn more

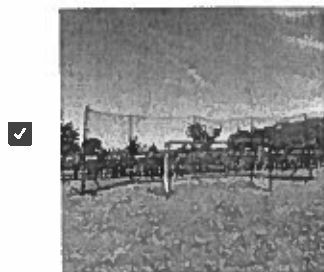
Subtotal (3 items): \$1,899.97

Proceed to checkout

Shopping Cart

Deselect all items

Price



Stop That Ball™ Net System [5 Sizes] - Freestanding Ball Stop

\$849.99

In Stock
Shipped from: Net World Sports USA
Gift options not available. Learn more
Size: 05. 50ft Wide

Qty: 2 | Delete | Save for later



Stop That Ball System [5 Sizes] | Freestanding Ball Stop Netting

\$199.99

In Stock
Shipped from: Net World Sports USA
Gift options not available. Learn more
Size: 10ft Extender Kit

Qty: 1 | Delete | Save for later

Compare with similar items

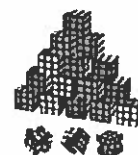
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Your recently viewed items



ThinkMax 24 Pack Mini
436
\$16.99

Add to Cart



Mini Cube Puzzle Party
1,566
\$15.99

Add to Cart



URSKYTOUS 60Pcs
3,885
\$14.43

Add to Cart



Full Size 3x3x3 Cube
1,745
\$20.99

Add to Cart

Your Items

Saved for later (120 items)

Buy it again

Moved to Cart

Stop That Ball™ Net System [5 Sizes] - Freestanding Ball Stop Ne... has been moved to Shopping Cart.



Souls of Lost Lake by Wright
\$15.99
Paperback

*Why has sales tax been applied? See tax and seller information.

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For an item sold by Amazon.com: When you click the "Place your order" button, we'll send you an email message acknowledging receipt of your order. Your contract to purchase an item will not be complete until we send you an email notifying you that the item has been shipped.

Important information about sales tax you may owe in your state

You may return new, unopened merchandise in original condition within 30 days of delivery. Exceptions and restrictions apply. See Amazon.com's Returns Policy.

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Place your order

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Order Summary

Items (3):	\$1,899.97
Shipping & handling:	\$367.99
Total before tax:	\$2,267.96
Estimated tax to be collected*	\$118.74

Order total: \$2,386.70

[How are shipping costs calculated?](#)

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Board of Health

May 10, 2022

Selectboard Town of Gill:

Please be advised that the Town BOH discussed the Mosquito Opt-out program and would like to make the recommendation that the Town again exercise the choice to opt out of the State program and continue the Town protective measures as before.

Thank you

Sincerely Yours,

(signed) Jeffrey Blomstedt MD

Chair, Gill BOH

Checklist

Required for a Municipality to Apply to Opt Out of Spraying Conducted by the State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board

CONTACT INFORMATION for 2022 Municipal Opt-Out Process

Please provide contact information for your municipality:

- Town/City: Gill
- County: Franklin
- Point of contact:
 - Name: Ray Purington
 - Title: Town Administrator
 - Email: administrator@gillmass.org
 - Phone: 413-863-9347

CHECKLIST for 2022 Municipal Opt-Out Process

Please utilize the following checklist to confirm completion of all components of the municipal opt-out application. Components must be submitted to EEAopt-out@mass.gov by May 27, 2022.

- The municipality has reviewed the historical regional arbovirus risk level classification, which serves as EEA's evaluation criteria for the 2022 municipal opt-out application process
- Alternative mosquito management plan that includes listing of three education and outreach activities
- Copy of certified vote, which includes:
 - Date and time of the public meeting
 - Confirmation that the Board of Health was consulted
 - Confirmation that public comment was allowed
 - Indication that municipality is opting out of all spraying, or just certain spray activities such as aerial spraying. If a vote does not include that it is for a specific type of spraying, the vote will cover all spray activities conducted by the SRMCB under M.G.L. c. 252, Section 2A
 - Acknowledgement that the vote to opt out will only be honored if all application components are submitted to EEA on time and if the application is approved by EEA

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT for 2022 Municipal Opt-Out Process

Please mark each check box indicating your acknowledgement of the items below, and sign and date the application before submitting it.

- The municipality acknowledges that any work performed will be subject to applicable local, state, and federal regulations, ordinances, and statutes and all necessary permits, licenses, approvals, or other permission must be obtained prior to the commencement of any work. The approval of this Plan does not constitute work under M.G.L. c. 252 or authorize any exemption provided for work conducted under said chapter, unless otherwise expressly provided for by law.
- The municipality acknowledges that approval of a Plan allows it to opt out of spraying conducted by the SRMCB under M.G.L. c. 252, Section 2A. It does not extend to any spraying conducted by a mosquito control project or district ("MCD") of which a municipality may be a member.
- The municipality acknowledges that it has conducted the required public meeting, that a vote is included with this Plan, and that any vote to opt out of spraying performed under M.G.L. c. 252 is subject to the approval of a Plan. No such opt out will be honored without an approved Plan.

Ray Purington,
Town Administrator _____

Signature and Title (Signed or Typed)

May 24, 2022 _____
Date

EDUCATION AND OUTREACH PLAN

Provide a 1-2 paragraph narrative of the proposed outreach plan, that includes listing of at least three education/outreach activities you plan to execute for the upcoming mosquito season:

1. Flyers and pamphlets have been provided by the Cooperative Public Health Service District of the Franklin Regional Council of Governments, and will be available at the Town Hall and Slate Memorial Library. Flyers will be offered to high-traffic local businesses such as Upingil Farm Stand, The Mill (gas station/convenience store), Spirit Shoppe (package store), Wagon Wheel (restaurant), and Cielito Lindo (restaurant).
2. Educational articles will be placed in The Gill Newsletter, the quarterly town-sponsored newsletter that is mailed to every postal customer in town. Articles will remind residents to be on the lookout for standing water and give other general educational information about mosquito mitigation.
3. Information will be posted on the town website, www.gillmass.org
4. Information will be posted on the Town's Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/TownOfGill>
5. The Board of Health and Conservation Commission will work with the Gill Elementary School, Four Winds School, Northfield Mount Hermon School, and local camps, providing information about mosquito management and best practices.
6. The Town will continue its efforts to keep culverts and catch basins clean. Residents will be asked to report standing water in roadside ditches so the Highway Department can inspect and take appropriate action.
7. In the event a High or Critical risk level for Gill is issued by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the Town can utilize its Reverse911 system to inform the public of the increased risk and precautions than can be taken.

Check off all education/outreach methods that you intend to employ:

- Development/distribution of brochures, handouts, etc.
- Door-to-door canvassing (door hangers, speaking to property owners, etc.)
- Social media accounts (Facebook, Twitter, or other social media: Facebook)
- Mailings (Describe target audience(s): all residents, through the Gill Newsletter)
- Media outreach (interviews for print or online media sources, press releases, etc.)
- Presentations (in-person or virtual)
- School-based programs, science fairs, etc.
- Tabling at events (local events, annual meetings, etc.)
- Website (URL: www.gillmass.org)
- Other (please describe): kiosk at the Town Forest

Select the audience types you intend to target from the list below:

Alternative Mosquito Management Plan

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- Residents (homeowners, apartment dwellers, etc.)
- Landlords (for large apartment or condominium complexes)
- K-12 (teachers, students, camps, etc.)
- Municipal staff (highway dept., parks and recreation, board of health, conservation commission, etc.)
- State/Federal land managers (state parks, national wildlife refuges, etc.)
- Transportation industry (Busing companies, commuter rail, truck/rest stops, etc.)
- Recreational venues (fairgrounds, sports complexes, ballfields, etc.)
- Other land owners/managers (please describe):
- Other (please describe):

Additional Comments:

TOWN OF GILL
M A S S A C H U S E T T S



May 24, 2022

Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs (EEA)
via email: EEAopt-out@mass.gov

RE: Town of Gill – 2022 Opt Out & Alternative Mosquito Management Plan Application

On May 23, 2022 at 4:30 PM, the Gill Selectboard held a duly posted public meeting to discuss whether the Town of Gill should opt out of the mosquito control spraying conducted by the State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board and to review the Town's Alternative Mosquito Management Plan for 2022.

The Gill Board of Health held a duly posted public meeting on May 10, 2022, discussed opting out, and made a recommendation to the Selectboard that the Town should again exercise the choice to opt out of all mosquito spraying activities conducted by the State. This recommendation was considered by the Selectboard at their May 23rd meeting.

At the May 23rd meeting the Selectboard allowed public comment on opting out of the mosquito control spraying and on the Alternative Mosquito Management Plan.

At the conclusion of the discussion and deliberation, the Selectboard voted in favor of opting out of all mosquito control spraying activities conducted by the State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board in the Town of Gill under MGL Chapter 252, Section 2A and to submit an Alternative Mosquito Management Plan application.

The approved application is enclosed. The Town acknowledges the vote to opt out will only be honored if all opt out application components are submitted to EEA on time and if the application is approved by EEA.

Please let me know if you require any further information from us. I can be reached at administrator@gillmass.org or 413-863-9347.

Sincerely,

Ray Purington, Town Administrator

CC: Gill Board of Health
Gill Conservation Commission
Randy Crochier, Health Agent