

**Selectmen's Meeting  
Town Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Auditorium, 30 Martin Street**

**February 6, 2023**

This meeting will be conducted in-person, with the public welcome, but will also be made available to the public via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Members of the public who wish to listen to and/or view the meeting may do so via two-way Video Call (with the option to show yourself on video or not and with the option to use a phone to call in, for two-way audio-only). Please note that while an option for remote attendance and/or participation is being provided as a courtesy to the public, the meeting/hearing will not be suspended or terminated if technological problems interrupt the virtual broadcast or its quality, unless otherwise required by law. Members of the public with particular interest in any specific item on this agenda should make plans for in-person versus virtual attendance accordingly.

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If you do not have a digital device to join via the link above, you can also dial a telephone number and be directly connected to the meeting, via two-way audio only. The call-in-only number is: (425) 436-6352 and the access code is 1729820.

Further, it is likely that this meeting will be broadcast by 1623 Studios over the local cable television network. Please check your cable listings for details if you are a Comcast cable television subscriber.

**AGENDA – OPEN SESSION**

- 6:00 p.m. Call to Order.
- 6:05 p.m. Public Hearing regarding two petitions by National Grid to install poles on Conomo Point Road. Signature of the order, if approved.
- 6:15 p.m. Robyn Kanter and other Gregory Island residents regarding the Town's proposal to sell some Town-owned lots on Gregory Island.
- 6:30 p.m. Executive Session expected for contract negotiations with nonunion personnel.
- 7:00 p.m. Chief Francis and Brooke Friedrich - review of proposal of goals for calendar year 2023.

Brendhan Zubricki: Presentation of his Town Administrator's Report for the period January 21, 2023 through February 3, 2023, regarding the following:

- Economic Development Committee Tracking Template
- Affordable Housing Trust Meeting Summary
- Preliminary Review of Fiscal Year 2024 Proposed Wage & Salary Scale
- Downtown Lighting Engineering and Possible Future Expansion
- Solid Waste Contracting Plan for July 1, 2023
- Further Discussion with Respect to Town Hall Bell Tower Roof Repair
- Final Fiscal Year 2024 Regional School District Operating Budget Hearing
- MassDevelopment/Cape Ann Communities Presentation
- Preliminary Draft of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant
- Possible Special Town Meeting to Consider Purchase of 31 Apple Street
- Possible Off-Season Occupancy of Seasonal Conomo Point Property
- Rural and Small Town Development Fund Grant Application
- Massachusetts Downtown Initiative (MDI) Placemaking Grant Update
- Urban Agenda Grant Off-Season Event Project Update

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Approve the weekly warrant in the amount of \$.
- Vote to exempt from Section 20 of Chapter 268A of the General Laws, the contracts and amounts for the individuals listed below contained within the 01/12/2023 warrant pursuant to subsection (d) of said Section.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DEPT'S BILL</u>
Jim McNeilly	McNeilly EMS	01/02/2023	\$ 171.50	Ambulance
Jim McNeilly	McNeilly EMS	12/20/2022	\$ 1,500.00	Ambulance
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	12/22/2022	\$ 33.80	Fire
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	12/20/2022	\$ 90.00	Fire
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	12/19/2022	\$ 272.95	Police
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	12/16/2022	\$ 180.00	Police
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	12/15/2022	\$ 1,303.50	Police
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	12/09/2022	\$ 98.95	Police
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	12/09/2022	\$ 92.95	Police
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	12/08/2022	\$ 97.70	Fire
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	12/05/2022	\$ 86.56	Fire
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	12/01/2022	\$ 20.00	Fire
Ernie Nieberle	Nieberle's	11/29/2022	\$ 66.90	Fire
David Pereen	Pereen Plumbing	12/10/2022	\$ 385.00	Council on Aging

- Vote to exempt from Section 20 of Chapter 268A of the General Laws, the contracts and amounts for the individuals listed below contained within the 01/26/2023 warrant pursuant to subsection (d) of said Section.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DEPT'S BILL</u>
Jim McNeilly	McNeilly EMS	01/13/2023	\$ 477.50	Fire

- Vote to exempt from Section 20 of Chapter 268A of the General Laws, the contracts and amounts for the individuals listed below contained within the 02/02/2023 warrant pursuant to subsection (d) of said Section.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>DEPT'S BILL</u>
Jim McNeilly	McNeilly EMS	11/07/2022	\$ 155.00	Ambulance
Jim McNeilly	McNeilly EMS	11/11/2022	\$ 155.00	Ambulance

- Approve the minutes for the Selectmen's January 23, 2023, Open Meeting.
- Vote to ratify the Chairman's signature on a Master Service Agreement with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.
- Consider a request to pass over town roads from Rich Morrell during their annual YuKanRun Road Race 2022 from 9 a.m. through 12:00 noon on Sunday, May 7, 2023.
- Consider a request from Thayer McKenzie to install a dog fence at 162 Conomo Point Road.
- Consider a request from the Village Restaurant to close for cleaning and repairs from January 16 through January 26, 2023.
- Consider whether or not to OPT-OUT of Vote by Mail for the upcoming local elections (To opt-out, the BOS must hold a public hearing and public roll call vote to NOT allow Vote by Mail at least 45 days before an election. A separate public hearing and vote for each election is required.)
- Consider whether or not to OPT-IN for Early In-Person Voting for the upcoming local election. (To opt-in, the BOS must vote at least 5 days prior to the start of early voting upon the recommendation from at least 50% of the Board of Registrars.)
- Consider the granting of merit pay to the Town Administrator, the Chief of Police, and the Treasurer/Collector, in accordance with the provisions of their employment contracts with the Town.
- Consider a request from Kestrel Education Adventures to utilize Centennial Grove for Spring and Summer outdoor programming.
- Discuss whether or not to opt into a second round of Opioid Settlements involving Teva, Allergan, CVS, Walgreens, and Walmart, with an opt-in deadline of April 18, 2023.
- Items that could not be reasonably anticipated by the Open Meeting Law posting deadline.

LICENSING:

Commercial Shellfish Permit:

- Julian Balili
- Yllka Balili
- Kristina Jacobs
- Matthew Jacobs
- Lobe Kuca

- Merqes Kuca
- Vogelushe Kuca
- Edward G. Lane
- Matthew E. Lane
- Matthew G. Lane
- Brian Loebelenz
- Chris Maxfield
- Dean Rossi

Senior Commercial Shellfish Permit:

- George Lane
- Charles McNeil
- Thomas Prentiss

Student Shellfish Permit:

- Denis Kuca

Non-Resident Recreational Shellfish Permit:

- Martin Forde, Middleton sponsored by Katherine Siderewicz
- Joshua Hodge, S. Hamilton sponsored by Lisa Shotwell

Common Victualler License Renewals:

- Amy Cinq-Mars, Down River Ice Cream Corporation, 241 John Wise Avenue

REMINDERS:

- Cape Ann Chamber of Commerce – Business After Hours: Woodman's of Essex, Wednesday, February 15 from 5 to 7 pm; includes a Ribbon Cutting to Celebrate recent renovations at Woodman's.
- The next regular Board of Selectmen's meeting will take place on Monday, February 27, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor auditorium of the Town Hall, 30 Martin Street.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

**AGENDA – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- Employment contract negotiations with nonunion personnel.