



## TOWN OF BLANDFORD

Board of Selectmen

POSTED March 19, 2020 by 7:00 pm  
AMENDED March 20, 2020

Blandford Town Hall  
1 Russell Stage Road, Suite 1  
Blandford, MA 01008

### JOINT MEETING AGENDA with BOARD OF SELECTMEN and FINANCE COMMITTEE March 23, 2020

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L.C. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 order imposing strict limitation on the number of people that may gather in one place, this meeting of the Blandford Board of Selectmen will be conducted via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Members of the public who wish to listen to the meeting may do so by dialing-in using the following number and access code.

- Dial-In Number: (425) 436-6311
- Access Code: 248324

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<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjMX9bP223xSJq34P31AVGw>

No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted unless you are on the agenda ahead of time, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that we are unable to do so, despite best efforts, we will post on the Town of Blandford website a transcript or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

If you have any comment regarding items that are on the agenda, please forward to Joann Martin, Administrative Assistant, at [Selectboardadmin@townofblandford.com](mailto:Selectboardadmin@townofblandford.com) or 413-848-4279 x206.

#### **1. OPEN SESSION 7:00 pm**

**Meeting held in the BOS office, Town Hall**

#### **2. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

*a. Examination of the Meeting Minutes of March 16, 2020*

#### **3. \*AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION / PUBLIC COMMENT:**

*Temporarily Suspended*

#### **4. ACTION ITEMS:**

*a. Review and approve Declaration of State of Emergency in ongoing preparation for improving our local ability to respond to COVID-19 pandemic threat or take any other action.*

#### **5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:**

- b. Discuss possible local non-binding ballot question/s for November election*
- c. COVID-19 Update*

*d. Joint meeting with Finance Committee to review draft budget for FY21*

**6. NEW BUSINESS:**

*a. Discussion Regarding Marijuana Host Community Agreement*

*b. Review scope of hiring process for position of Fire Chief*

**7. OTHER BUSINESS, IF ANY:**

**8. TABLED ITEMS:**

*a. Review updated draft policies for personnel handbook – General Administration*

*b. Review draft policies for personnel handbook – Preamble; General Provision; Recruiting;  
Hiring*

*c. Review draft policies for personnel handbook – standards of Conduct*

*d. Discussion about suspending Election Day, May 9, 2020*

**9. MEETING ADJOURNED:**

**10.\*EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

\*NOTE: Audience participation / public comment - Temporarily Suspended

\*\*NOTE: Agenda may include items not reasonably expected 48 hours before the meeting. At any point this meeting may go into executive session if Selectboard finds it warranted..