



TOWN OF BLANDFORD
Select Board

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

POSTED February 23, 2023, by 6:00 pm

SELECT BOARD AGENDA
February 27, 2023
6:00 pm

Members of the public who wish to dial-in or participate virtually, may do so by visiting either of the following options:

- **Zoom Video Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82168083073>
- **Meeting ID:** 821 6808 3073
- **Phone Dial In:** 1-929-205-6099, dial in meeting ID when prompted

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

Meeting held in the Select Board Chamber, Town Hall

1. EXAMINATION OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- a. *Examination of the Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2023*
- b. *Examination of the Meeting Minutes of January 26, 2023*

2. *AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION / PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. **George Reichert**
 - i. *Flag System*
 - ii. *Recording Problems*
 - iii. *Develop Community Days*
 - iv. *Lead Person Beavers*
 - v. *Next Cemetery Meeting*
 - vi. *Bicentennial Park Clean-up*

3. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- a. Town Administrator
 - i. *Finance/Budget*
 1. **FY24 budget requests** all submitted and preliminary **Cherry Sheet** estimates from Governor's Budget received
 - ii. *Grant Updates*
 1. **Shared Water Operator** Efficiency & Regionalization Grant: draft MOU submitted to Town Counsel and both water departments are coordinating on putting together a bid package for the small capital purchases funded through the grant
 2. **Capital Improvement Plan:** Meeting with Collins Center this week to start building document
 3. **District Local Technical Assistance:** grants applications for a shared conservation agent, regional financial software RFP and permitting updates submitted

4. **Culvert Replacement Municipal Assistance Grant Program:** working with Highway Superintendent to submit application by mid-March for work on culverts in Nye Brook/Schoolhouse Hill/Russell Stage Road area
 5. **Emergency Management Performance Grant:** Updates from discussion with Electrical Inspector on proposed \$160,000 in upgrades needed to ensure backup power at Town Hall
 6. **ADA Transition Plan:** public meeting for review of ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan tentatively scheduled for Monday, March 6 at 5:00pm
- iii. *Other Department Updates*
1. Treasurer-Collector: Lynn Kane starts as **Assistant Treasurer-Collector** March 1

4. **ACTION ITEMS**

- a. *Review and act on **Caucus Call** as presented by the Town Clerk*
- b. *Review and act on the **Special Town Meeting Warrant for March 13, 2023***
- c. *Review and act on the candidacies of Paul Martin and Sarah Malanson for appointment to the **Fire-Highway Facility Building Committee***

5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. *All Departmental Expenditure Report*

7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

TABLED ITEMS

- Request from the Building Commissioner to consider seeking appropriate authorization to amend existing unregistered vehicle bylaw.
- Police Office Safe.
- PC Replacement Plan.

*NOTE: Audience participation/public comment is welcome only when acknowledged by the Chair and limited to two minutes. Participation/public comment is only limited to Blandford residents who may comment on agenda items only.

**NOTE: Agenda may include items not reasonably expected 48 hours before the meeting.