

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2014 – 6:30 P.M.
PUBLIC SAFETY COMPLEX – TRAINING ROOM**

- I. SALUTE THE FLAG
- II. SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT (5 minute limit)
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- IV. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS
- V. OLD BUSINESS
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Memorial Day Services – Selectman to Speak
 - B. Approval of a One-Day Liquor License – St. Denis Parish
 - C. Discussion on AWRSD E&D funds
 - D. Discussion on vote to authorize land surveillance of Town-owned land
- VII. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S UPDATE
- VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. March 3, 2014 Minutes – Regular Meeting
- IX. BOS CORRESPONDENCE
 - Letter from Robert Fichtel re: ban of rowboats on Upper Naukeag Lake
 - Letter from Roger Hoyt – re: Jeffrey Dean Hoyt as Eagle Scout
- X. MARCH MEETINGS and EVENTS
 - Wednesday, March 26, 4:00 p.m. – Board of Assessors – Assessors office at Town Hall
 - Thursday, March 27, 6:45 p.m. – Planning Board – Lower Level at Town Hall
 - Thursday, March 27, 7:00 p.m. – 250th Committee – Stevens Library
- XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS
- XII. SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT (5 minute limit)
- XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board will enter into Executive Session to discuss ongoing Collective Bargaining.
- XIV. ADJOURNMENT

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A. Memorial Day Services – Selectman to Speak

The Memorial Day holiday is being celebrated on Monday, May 26th. The Board needs to decide who will be the guest speaker this year.

B. Approval of a One-Day Liquor License – St. Denis Parish

St. Denis Parish is planning their annual “Irish Dinner Night” for Saturday, March 22nd from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Father Lacey Hall and they are asking for a One-Day All Alcohol Liquor License for this event.

C. Discussion on AWRSD E&D funds

AWRSD by statute has lowered the school assessment by \$221,074. This represents the amount over 5% of their operating budget that was raised in excess of the expenditures. They currently have \$1,378,203 left in their E&D to last for the rest of the year. They are requesting that the town vote to increase a sum of money over our current assessment so it can be added to the excess amount rolled over to FY 15. They project without these funds the Excess and Deficiency Funds (Free cash) for FY 14 will be in the arrears of \$1,000,000.

D. Discussion on vote to authorize land surveillance of town-owned land

With the numerous unanswered questions about the Tennessee Gas Line through Town, the Board will discuss a vote to rescind their permission for access to Town property for the purpose of surveying.

VII. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S UPDATE

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IX. BOS CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Robert Fichtel re: ban of rowboats on Upper Naukeag Lake.

The Water/Sewer Commission voted to ban rowboats from Upper Naukeag, At last meeting, it was decided that Chair Leo Collette was going to contact DEP for their input and the Commission would later have a working meeting to discuss prior to their next meeting on the 8th of April and Mr. Fichtel has concerns about this vote.

Letter from Roger Hoyt – re: Jeffrey Dean Hoyt as Eagle Scout

Jeff was honored and recognized as Eagle Scout at an Eagle Court of Honor on Sunday, March 16th.

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XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Town Clerk Reminders:

- January 1st and on – Open registration of voters at the Town Hall, Town Clerk's Office, 32 Main Street, from 7:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Mondays and 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday thru Thursday.
- March 27th at 5:00 p.m. – Last day to file objections or withdrawals of nomination papers to the Town Clerk.
- April 9th – from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. – Final registration for the Town Election in Town Clerk's office at Town Hall.
- Census forms were sent out to all residents in January. Forms are due now. Failure to respond will result in removal from the active voting list. If you did not receive or have questions regarding the form, please call the Town Clerk's office at 978-827-4100 ext. 114.
- Dog licenses are now available at the Town Clerk's office. Fees are \$10 for altered dogs and \$15 for unaltered dogs. Please bring the current rabies certificate. If licensing by mail, please include check, rabies certificate and a self-addressed envelope to be mailed to the Town Clerk's Office, 32 Main St., Ashburnham. Also, online payments can be made for dog license RENEWALS ONLY. Please call the Town Clerk's office first at 978-827-4100 ext. 114 to verify that a current rabies certificate is on file. Complete the information online and the dog license will be mailed.

The 13th Annual Ashburnham-Westminster Community Hockey Game will be held on April 5th at 5:00 p.m. at the Cushing Academy Iorio Arena. Gates open at 4:00 p.m., pre-game at 4:30 p.m. \$5.00 fee. Road Race/Fun Run will be held on Saturday, April 5th at 9:00 a.m. from Briggs Elementary to Cushing Academy. These events will benefit Oakmont student A. J. Fayorsey and his family.

The next scheduled Board of Selectmen meeting will be held on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Training Room at the Public Safety Building.

XII. SOLICIT PUBLIC INPUT (5 minute limit)

XIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board will enter into Executive Session to deliberate upon matters which, if done in open meeting could detrimentally affect the position of the Town regarding ongoing Collective Bargaining and to only enter into open session to adjourn.

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