

**SELECT BOARD MEETING AGENDA\***

*Donn B. Griffin Room, Town Hall*

*732 Main Street, Harwich, MA*

*Regular Meeting 6:00 P.M.*

*Tuesday, March 19, 2024*

**Remote Participation Optional:**

**Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve the Select Board Meeting Minutes for February 26, 2024
- B. Approve the Select Board Meeting Minutes for March 4, 2024
- C. Approve the Select Board Meeting Minutes for March 11, 2024
- D. Designate Jennifer Harrington as the 2024 Inspector of Animals

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Approve a Special Permit application for one day entertainment for Cape Farm Supply, 1601 Factory Road, event to be held June 29, 2024, 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at The Farm, 1590 Factory Road – Live/recorded music, amplification
- B. Fee waiver request from the Harwich Garden Club for a plant sale on May 25, 2024, at Doane Park
- C. Fee waiver request from National Art Honor Society for an Induction Ceremony on March 20, 2024, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Community Center gym
- D. Approve the committee recommendations from the Select Board Interview Committee
  - James R. Ferry – Bikeways Committee – Full Member- Term to expire 6/30/2026
  - Frank Wiacek, Jr. – Capital Outlay Committee (Select Board Appointment) – Full Member – Term to expire 6/30/2025
- E. Approve a request to relinquish Fish Shanty License Agreement, Eric Hesse
- F. Approve the Designer Selection Committee for the Great Sand Lakes Sewer Design
- G. Discussion and possible vote about one day event – River Herring Harvest Celebration

**VI. 2024 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

- A. Cape Cod Regional Technical School District Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Presentation
- B. Discussion and possible vote on a debt exclusion article for Monomoy Regional Middle School
- C. Discussion and possible vote to accept, recommend and place the following Articles in the 2024 Annual Town Meeting Warrant:
  - o Town Operating Budget
  - o Monomoy Regional School District Budget
  - o Cape Cod Regional Technical School District Budget
  - o Water Department Budget
  - o Wastewater Department Budget
  - o Transfer from the Special Purpose Wastewater Stabilization Fund for Wastewater to the General Fund
  - o Citizen Initiative Petitions
    - Tree Preservation Bylaw
    - Home Rule Petition: Pesticides
    - Authorize Special Act to Enable Harwich to Regulate the Application of Fertilizers
    - Affirm Support for a Public Access Swimming Pool and Facilities at the Harwich Community Center
    - Home Rule Petition: Attainable Housing
  - o Adopt the Capital Plan
    - Capital Outlay Plan Items Funded from Free Cash
    - Capital Outlay Plan Items Funded from Other Sources
    - Capital Outlay Plan Items Funded from Raise & Appropriate
    - Capital Outlay Plan Items Funded from Water Retained Earnings
    - Capital Outlay Plan Items Funded from Wastewater Retained Earnings
  - o Placeholder-article appropriating funds from sale of 276 Queen Anne Road
  - o Correct Article 24 from the 2023 Annual Town Meeting
  - o Community Preservation Committee
    - Affordable Housing Trust Funds
    - Beach Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Acquisition

- Cold Brook Trailhead and Public Access Project
- Harwich Police Soccer Club Street Soccer Pitch
- Appropriations and Housekeeping Expenses
- Lower Cape Housing Institute
- Monomoy Press Box Project
- North Woods and Water Supply Protection Project
- Old Bank Street Firehouse Housing
- Red River Valley Land & Water Protection Project
- Senior Memorial Softball Field Fencing
- South Harwich Gravestone Conservation
- Veterans Memorial Complex Electric Irrigation Replacement
- Reappropriate funds from Article 31 of the 2013 Annual Town Meeting
- Placeholder- Finance Director Article for prior article correction
- Amendment to General Bylaw Chapter 7
- Amendment to General Bylaw Chapter 271
- Amendments to Harwich Charter

D. Vote to recommend the following placed Articles in the 2024 Annual Town Meeting Warrant:

- Town Officers & Committees
- Reports of Officers & Committees
- Elected Officials' Salaries
- Lease Purchase Agreements
- Defray Library Expenses
- Promote the Town of Harwich
- Herring Fisheries

E. Discussion on any other Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Items or warrant articles

- Articles that have been placed and recommended:
  - Cape Cod Community Media Center
  - Revolving Fund authorizations
  - Transfer 172 Queen Anne Rd
  - Transfer 178 Queen Anne Rd
  - Transfer 246 Queen Anne Rd
  - Supplement Cultural Council

VII. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Discussion and possible vote on potential municipal tax bill inserts per to Massachusetts General Law Chapter 60, section 3(a)

VIII. **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

IX. **SELECT BOARD'S MEMBER REPORT**

X. **CORRESPONDENCE**

XI. **ADJOURNMENT**

*\*Per the Attorney General's Office: The Select Board may hold an open session for topics not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting following "New Business." If you are deaf or hard of hearing or a person with a disability who requires an accommodation contact the Selectmen's Office at 508-430-7513.*

**Authorized Posting Officer:**

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Natasha Lyon, Executive Assistant

**Posted by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Town Clerk

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
March 14, 2024