

Town of Dudley
Board of Selectmen
Finance, Appropriation and Advisory Committee
Joint Meeting

Revised AGENDA

Monday, February 5, 2024 @ 6:30pm
Dudley Municipal Complex
71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA in Room 321A

BOS Chairman Statement: This Meeting is being recorded. Without objection, the Chair of the BOS will facilitate item 7 on the agenda, with the understanding that the FAA Chair will chair the FAA Committee concurrently including any allowable discussions, questions, business, or motions requested or required under item 7.

1. **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance:**

2. **Approval of Minutes: 1/22/2024**

3. **Appointments:** Capital Improvement Planning Committee - Douglas Macedo – Term to expire June 30, 2027.

Resignation: Council on Aging – Cheryl Leyden – effective January 22, 2024

4. **Citizens Comments:**

5. **Public Hearings:**

a. **National Grid – Pole Hearing – Plan Number 30860564 – Sawmill Road –**

National Grid to install beginning at a point approximately 30 feet northeast of the centerline of the intersection of Sophies Way and Sawmill Road and continuing approximately 20 feet in a northeast direction. Trench from northeast corner of new road Sophie’s Way along Sawmill Rd. in a northeast direction (following existing pole line) to relocated Pole #25 in the public way. Install (2) 4” conduits and (1) set of 1-phase primary conductors in (1) of the conduits with the other conduit to be a spare. Conduit to be encased to National Grid specifications and then covered with earth in the public way to bring power from Pole #25 to be built homes on Sophies Way.

b. **National Grid – Pole Hearing – Plan Number 30860564 – Sawmill Rd –**

National Grid to install 2 JO poles on Sawmill Road and Relocated 1 JO pole on Sawmill Road beginning at a point approximately 50’ northeast of the centerline of the intersection of Sophies Way and Sawmill Rd and continuing approximately 100 feet in a southeast direction. Install 2 new pole (P-1-1) at northeast corner of Sawmill Road and Lawrence Rd and (P #25-50) on Sawmill Rd. Relocate 1 existing pole (P#25) approximately 30 feet in a northeast director to make way for Sophies Way.

- c. **Change of Officers/Director – Polish National Alliance of Dudley d/b/a PNA located at 214 West Main Street, Dudley, MA 01571** – New Officers: Kurt Zmyslowski of 12 Francis Drive, Dudley, MA; Wayne Rozenas of 62 Baker Pond Road, Dudley, MA and Michael Harney of 10 Dudley Hill Road, Dudley, MA

6. **Public Business:**

- a. Police Department – Board to Vote on Conditional Offer of Employment – Mr. Dylan Reney.
- b. Police Department – Sergeant Chandler Boyd and Sergeant Keith Remillard– Per recommendation of Police Chief and Lieutenant – remove from probationary period effective February 9, 2024.
- c. Nichols College - One Day Outdoor Entertainment License – Wednesday, February 7, 2024, from 4:30pm to 7:00pm for a Fire & Ice Event located in the Shamie Parking Lot.
- d. Board of Selectman vote to adopt Flag Protocol Policy.

7. **Joint Public Meeting with FAA**

FAA Chair calls FAA Committee to order

- a. FY25 Budget Requests: Fire, Police, Highway, Town Clerk, Treasurer/Collector, Council on Aging and Planning: BOS and FAA discuss requests with each other and department heads, and chair facilitates discussion between each department head and residents, at his discussion relative to FY 25 departmental requests. BOS/FAA may take/vote any action relative thereto.
- b. Chair provides update on tentative dates for public meetings to act on the FY 25 budget.
- Second Joint Meeting with the FAA to discuss municipal budget (department head recommendations): Thursday, February 8, 2024, at 6:30pm
 - Joint Meeting with Charlton and School Committee to discuss the FY25 district assessment: Wednesday, February 14, 2024, at 7:00PM – Shepherd Hill Regional High School (live-streamed and open to the public).
 - Third Joint Meeting with the FAA to discuss municipal budget (TA Recommendations): Monday, February 26, 2024, at 6:30PM.
 - Meeting of the Capital Improvement Planning Committee: Monday, March 11, 2024, at 6:00PM.
 - Meeting of the Capital Improvement Planning Committee on Monday, March 25, 2024, at 6:30PM to hear departmental requests, followed by the FAA Meeting to vote FY25 proposed budget and articles at 7:00PM.

- Board of Selectmen to vote on FY25 proposed budget and articles for inclusion on May 20, 2024, Annual Town Meeting: April 1, 2024, at 6:30pm (regularly scheduled meeting).

FAA Chair concludes business adjourns meeting of FAA.

BOS Chair declares brief recess to allow FAA members that wish to leave the meeting to do so.

8. Student Representative:

9. Departmental Communication

Department Heads provide public updates.

Tabled from 1/22/24: Request from Treasurer/Collector to hire additional staff and direction to TA to provide a motion for BOS to vote to engage in a review of financial management and processes. Suggested Motion: I move to direct the TA to notify the Massachusetts Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services of the Board of Selectmen's request to complete a Financial Management Review of the Town of Dudley at its earliest convenience, and that the review should include, but not limited to a focus on the town's financial offices, any material deficiencies that may exist in those offices and the practices, procedures, and policies that guide municipal decisions.

10. Board Members Comments

11. Adjournment:

Any items discussed but not listed on the agenda are items not reasonably anticipated as a topic by the chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting.