

Town of Dudley

Board of Selectmen

Highway Commissioners

Cemetery Commissioners

August 31, 2020 @ 6:30pm

Dudley Municipal Complex

71 West Main Street, Dudley, MA

Room 321A

Approved 9/14/2020

Some matters have been taken out of agenda order but were typed up in agenda order for ease of locating information when necessary.

Chairman's Disclosure for Public Meetings:

Public Meetings:

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §20, and the Governor's Executive Orders imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, although a quorum of the members of the Dudley Board of Selectmen will be physically present for this meeting, no in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted. The meeting will be live broadcast on Dudley Cable Access Television, Channel 192, and members of the public can also access the rebroadcast of the meeting online via YouTube. In the event of an unanticipated interruption in this broadcast, we will post on the Town's website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as possible after the meeting.

Members of the public who wish to appear before the Board of Selectmen must make an appointment to appear on an upcoming agenda, by contacting Michelle Jervis at selectmen@dudleyma.gov or by calling Michelle at (508) 949-8001. Placement on the agenda is not guaranteed however, and persons requesting to appear before the Board of Selectmen should not attend a meeting in person unless and until the appointment has been confirmed by the Board of Selectmen. Persons with matters appearing on a meeting agenda may request that they attend via virtual means, such as via conference call rather than in person attendance. Such request should be directed to Michelle Jervis at selectmen@dudleyma.gov or by calling Michelle at (508) 949-8001 no more than three business days hours in advance, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

However, persons or representatives with matters appearing on the meeting notice/agenda who wish to be physically present at the meeting must observe the following requirements:

- 1. In accordance with existing requirements imposed by the Governor, meeting rooms will be limited in terms of the total number of persons that may be physically present at the same time, including Board/Committee members and staff. Satellite rooms will be available for overflow, and the meeting will be broadcast in real time in those satellite rooms.*
- 2. Persons who wish to participate in any particular matter on the meeting agenda will be asked to wait in a satellite room until that agenda item is reached, at which point attendees will be rotated between the main meeting room and the satellite room(s), as appropriate.*
- 3. Social distancing must be maintained in both the main meeting room and in satellite rooms. Face masks or coverings will be required in accordance with Governor Baker's May 1, 2020 COVID-19 Order No. 31, "Order Requiring Face Coverings in Public Places Where Social Distancing is Not Possible." A copy of that order can be found at <https://www.mass.gov/doc/may-1-2020-masks-and-face-coverings/download>*
- 4. Failure to comply with these requirements may lead to an attendee's removal from the meeting.*

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance:

Kerry Cyganiewicz called the meeting to order at 6:34pm. In attendance were Jason Johnson, Paul Joseph and Steven Sullivan. Also in attendance were Jonathan Ruda, Town Administrator and Michelle Jervis, Administrative Secretary. John Marsi requested to participate remotely under MGL Chapter 39§23d adopted 2/4/2013 and in accordance with 940 CMR 29.10(5). It was determined by the Chairman that the following factor made his physical attendance unreasonable (e) geographical distance.

Steven Sullivan motioned to accept John Marsi's request to participate in the meeting remotely. Paul Joseph seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Steven Sullivan, Aye

Kerry Cyganiewicz, Aye

Jason Johnson, Aye

Paul Joseph, Aye

Vote 4-0.

2. Public Business:

Combined position – Clerk – Permitting, Licensing and Code Enforcement and Highway Superintendent – Lorna Wade, Chair of the Personnel Board, stated that on August 27th the Board met and reviewed the resumes for both the Clerk's position and the Highway Superintendent's position. She read the names of the recommended individuals to be interviewed by the Hiring Committee for the clerk and the Board of Selectmen for the Highway Superintendent. **Paul Joseph motioned to ask the Hiring Committee interviewing the four (4) candidates to return to the Board a report of the people or any other internal candidates they feel appropriate and give to them the top four in rank order. Jason Johnson seconded.**

Roll Call Vote:

Steven Sullivan, Aye

Kerry Cyganiewicz, Aye

Jason Johnson, Aye

Paul Joseph, Aye

John Marsi, Aye

Highway Superintendent position – **Paul Joseph motioned that the interviews are up to the Board and requested by unanimous consent have the Town Administrator and Michelle Jervis set up an interview schedule that is convenient for all of us. Jason Johnson seconded.**

Roll Call Vote:

Steven Sullivan, Aye

Kerry Cyganiewicz, Aye

Jason Johnson, Aye

Paul Joseph, Aye

John Marsi, Aye

8. Adjournment and Executive Session:

Paul Joseph motioned that the Board of Selectmen adjourn from Public Session at 7:05pm and to convene into Executive Session under MGL Chapter 30A§21(a)(5) – To investigate charges of criminal misconduct or to consider the filing of criminal complaints and MGL Chapter 30A§21(a)(3) – To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares. Jason Johnson seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Steven Sullivan, Aye

Kerry Cyganiewicz, Aye

Jason Johnson, Aye

Paul Joseph, Aye

John Marsi, Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Jervis
Administrative Secretary

