



# Town Council Meeting Agenda

Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 7:00 PM, in the Matthew Thornton Room



## Call to Order

## Pledge of Allegiance

## Announcements

## Comments from the Press and Public

## Recognitions, Resignations and Retirements

### **1. Recognition of Retirement of Town Employee**

*Submitted by Human Resources Director Sharon Marunicz*

The Town Council will present a recognition award to Dean R. Stearns in recognition of his retirement from the Merrimack Public Works Department after more than 21 years of full time service to the Highway Division: April 30, 2001 – May 31, 2022. Employees with at least 10 years of service receive a Plaque with Town Seal upon retirement.

## Appointments

### **1. Annual Review with the Planning Board**

*Submitted by Planning Board Chair Robert Best*

Per Town of Merrimack Charter Section 6-6, at least annually, there should be an annual review with the Planning Board. This agenda item is to highlight the board's significant actions, current projects, anticipated actions, and to raise any concerns the Council should know or could act on.

## Public Hearing

## Legislative Updates from State Representatives

## Town Manager's Report

## Consent Agenda

### **1. Consideration of Changes to Chapter 158, Sewer Use, of the Merrimack Town Code [Final Reading]**

*Submitted by Town Council Chair Finlay Rothhaus and Vice Chair Nancy Harrington*

The Town Council to consider the acceptance of recommended changes to Chapter 158, Sewer Use, of the Merrimack Town Code, pursuant to Charter Article V.

### **2. Town Council Committee Assignments (Follow-up Discussion)**

*Submitted by Town Council Chair Finlay Rothhaus and Vice Chair Nancy Harrington*

The Town Council will finalize committee assignments for the current year.

## Old Business

### **1. Purchase and Sale of Tax Map Parcel 6E-1, Lot 15-1 (Old Pump House on 109 Front Street)**

*Submitted by Deputy Public Works Director / Town Engineer Dawn Tuomala*

The Town Council to consider entering into a Purchase and Sale Agreement to convey the landlocked parcel at Tax Map 6E-1, Lot 15-1 (109 Front Street), known as the Old Pump House to resident and abutter Gary Bailey for the purchase price of \$1.00.

## **New Business**

### **1. Appointment of Trustee of Trust Funds Alternate Member**

*Submitted by Trustees of Trust Funds Member Chris Christensen*

The Town Council to consider the Trustees of Trust Funds' nomination and recommendation to appoint Liz Petrides as an alternate member to the Trustees of Trust Funds, in accordance with RSA 31:22 and Charter Article 6-2 (A).

### **2. Request to Withdraw from Road Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund / Consideration of Combining the Wire Road Intersection Project with the US 3 Bridge Project**

*Submitted by Public Works Director Kyle Fox*

The Town of Merrimack has been offered the opportunity to combine two capital projects along the US Route 3 corridor into one project. The projects are in the NHDOT Ten Year Transportation Plan for construction two years apart (2025, 2027). The combination project proposes to construct the adjacent projects together in 2025.

### **3. Consideration of Accelerating the Souhegan River Trail Project to Federal FY22 / Request to Withdraw from Road Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund**

*Submitted by Public Works Director Kyle Fox*

The Souhegan River Trail project is nearing the final design stage. Permitting requirements for the project have increased the anticipated construction cost of the project resulting in a gap in funding available for the project in FY23. Accelerating the design of the project to FY22 will allow NHDOT to cover the State portion of the cost increase. Town Council will be asked to consider a withdrawal from the Road Infrastructure Capital Reserve Fund to cover the Town portion of the cost increase.

### **4. US Route 3 over Baboosic Brook Bridge Replacement Project Letter of Support**

*Submitted by Public Works Director Kyle Fox*

The Town Council to consider writing a letter of support/concern for the US 3 over Baboosic Brook bridge project. Quantum Construction Consultants, LLC (QCC) is in the process of preparing environmental documentation for the project. In an effort to ensure that all issues / resources associated with the project are appropriately evaluated, the Town Council is being asked to review project information and provide comment to assist in the preparation of the environmental document.

### **5. Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund Withdrawal Request**

*Submitted by Fire Chief Mark DiFronzo*

The Town Council to consider Merrimack Fire Rescue's request to withdrawal and expend \$108,975 from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase of a replacement of the breathing air compressor system.

### **6. Consideration of Changes to Chapter 111, Conservation Areas, of the Merrimack Town Code [First Reading]**

*Submitted by Town Council Chair Finlay Rothhaus and Vice Chair Nancy Harrington*

The Town Council to consider the acceptance of recommended changes to Chapter 111, Conservation Areas, of the Merrimack Town Code, pursuant to Charter Article V.

## **Minutes**

Approve the minutes from the following Town Council meetings:

- ◆ April 28, 2022
- ◆ May 5, 2022

## **Comments from the Press**

## **Comments from the Public**

## **Comments from the Council**

## **Adjourn**

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Posted: May 19, 2022