

**TOWN OF BECKET
SELECT BOARD MEETING**

Date: Wednesday, December 6, 2023

Time: 7:00 p.m.


Location: Becket Town Hall, 557 Main St.

Agenda

This meeting will be held in-person at the location provided on this notice. **Members of the public are welcome to attend this in-person meeting.** Please note that while an option for remote attendance and/or participation is being provided as a courtesy to the public (**Zoom Access** is listed at the end of this agenda), the meeting/hearing will not be suspended or terminated if technological problems interrupt the virtual broadcast, unless otherwise required by law. Members of the public with particular interest in any specific item on this agenda should make plans for in-person vs. virtual attendance accordingly.

Public Comments may be emailed to comment@townofbecket.org in advance of the meeting.

1. The Chairperson will call the Select Board meeting to order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Board of Assessors Tax Classification Hearing - The Select Board will hold a Tax Classification hearing to determine the allocation of property tax levy among the four classes of real estate and personal property for **Fiscal Year 2024**
4. Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Community Development Block Grant Presentation/Discussion and potential Select Board vote to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Becket and Berkshire Regional Planning Commission.
5. Fire Chief Update
6. Board to consider Renewals of Annual Licenses:
 - The Dreamaway Lodge Restaurant LLC: All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant, Common Victuallers, Six Day Entertainment, and Sunday Entertainment;
 - Neon Newt LLC (d/b/a The Neon Newt): Wines & Malt with Cordial/Liqueur Restaurant, and Common Victuallers;
 - M.D.A. Inc. (d/b/a Berkshire Berries): All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant, Wine & Malt Package Store, and Common Victuallers;
 - Twin Oaks, LLC.: All Alcoholic Beverages Club, Common Victuallers, Six-Day Entertainment, and Automatic Amusement
 - Sherwood Shoppe of Becket LLC: All Alcoholic Beverages Package Store, and Common Victuallers;
 - Papa Bob's LLC: All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant, Common Victuallers, Six Day Entertainment, Sunday Entertainment, and Automatic Amusement;
 - Becket General Store Inc. (d/b/a Becket General Store): All Alcoholic Beverages Package Store, All Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant, Six Day Entertainment, Sunday Entertainment, and Common Victuallers

- Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival: Six Day Entertainment, Sunday Entertainment
7. Select Board to consider the following appointments:
 - Thomas W. Salzer – Member of the Zoning Board of Appeals effective 12/6/2023 through 6/30/2026
 - Thomas W. Salzer – Member of the Community Preservation Committee effective 12/6/2023 through 6/30/2023
 8. Select Board to consider issuing Common Victuallers licenses to Becket Country Store to operate through December 31, 2023 and during 2024.
 9. Approval of the November 15, 2023 Meeting Minutes
 10. Public Input (limited to 3 minutes per person, 20 minutes total for this agenda item).
 11. Select Board to consider voting to sign a Resolution in Support of State Paint Stewardship Legislation (H. 823 “An Act Relative to Paint Recycling”, S. 542 “An Act to Establish Safe Paint Stewardship”, and S. 551 “An Act Relative to Paint Recycling”).
 12. Select Board review and possible vote to approve Energy Committee/Berkshire Community Action Council (BCAC) mailing to residents in the economic justice area of Becket re: 1) energy services available through BCAC or Mass Save, and 2) Community Solar opportunity through Sunwealth Community Solar
 13. Select Board to review Departmental Reports
 - tba
 14. Town Administrator's Report
 15. Select Board's Comments and Announcements
 16. Any other business to come before the Board
 17. Correspondence/announcements: 
 - 2023.11.17 Zoning Board of Appeals Notice of Public Hearing scheduled on January 2, 2024 for review of Special Permit Application – 281 South Cove Drive (Map 211, Lot 36). Applicants seek relief from Section 3.4.5 of the Becket Zoning Bylaws to reduce setback from side boundary from 10'6" to 5'10" in order to build an addition with relief from dimensional requirements for lot side setbacks
 - Others tba
 18. Select Board to review and sign payable warrants
 19. Broadband Update and Select Board to discuss and possibly vote on policies and decisions relating to the Broadband Project
 20. Select Board to vote to enter into Executive Session in accordance with:
 - MGL Chapter 30A, Section 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; as it relates to the town's broadband contracts.

- MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21 (b): 5 To vote on approval of the 10/4/2023 Executive Session Minutes

The Chair will indicate whether the Select Board will return to open meeting.

21. Possible Select Board vote regarding approval of Broadband related contracts including WiredWest.
22. Select Board to adjourn the Meeting

Zoom Meeting Access Info.

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