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MIDDLETON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021

7:00 PM

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1. 7:00 Warrant: #2120 **Approved 4-0**

Minutes: Open Session: March 9, 2021 **Approved 4-0**

Town Administrator updates and reports

- This Thursday, March 25, is the joint budget hearing. The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee meet in a joint session to discuss the Fiscal Year 2022 operating and capital budgets. The meeting begins at 7PM and will take place via Zoom. Zoom login information is available on the agenda which is posted in the calendar on the Town website, [www. Middletonma.gov](http://www.Middletonma.gov). For those who are unable to watch live the meeting will be posted online. Go to Video on Demand>>Board of Selectmen>>and click on the meeting for March 25. I encourage residents to watch the meetings and videos and look at the information that is available online to see where tax dollars are being spent.
- This is the start of the busy season for the DPW. Some DPW updates:
 - The DPW will be performing hydrant flushing throughout town, beginning March 29, 2021 thru April 9, 2021. Mon-Fri only 8:00 AM-6:00 PM. If you experience water discoloration run an outside spigot or cold water faucet until it runs clear.
 - Transfer Station News:
 - Closed on Easter Sunday, April 4
 - Brush drop off: April 10, 8:00AM-3:30PM
 - April 14: Swap Shop reopens: no loitering and no admittance without a mask. It will be good to get the swap shop open again.
 - Street sweeping is starting this week. Catch basin cleaning and paving will start next month [Northwoods, Samos, Hemlock; Perkins, Pinedale, and Highland];
 - Some work is happening at Oakdale Cemetery. This includes dressing up the front entrance, installing a new gate, and fixing up the building. The building is being done with the help of students from Essex Tech.
- We received a cybersecurity awareness grant again this year from the State. This is the second year in a row that we received the grant. It provides training for Town employees to help them recognize and avoid cyber threats both at work and at home. This is more important than ever with people working hybrid schedules. Many of you know Mira Plante. She was before the Board a couple of years ago to discuss litter. She recently achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. Mira is a computer science and cybersecurity major at WPI. Her brother Rohan is in the technology program at Essex Tech. Mira and Rohan are helping us manage the cyber security grant. They will help Derek Fullerton coordinate the training program. It is a great opportunity for them to get some on the ground

experience and helps to take some of the load off Derek while he is focused on the vaccine rollout and other COVID items.

2. 7:15 Public Comment Period **None**
3. 7:20 Continue discussion of location and date of Annual Town Meeting and Town Election **Discussion**
4. 7:30 Continue review and discussion of the warrant for the 2021 Annual Town Meeting **Discussion**
5. 7:40 Mann & Mann, representing Kenworth SE New England, Inc. for a new Class 1 auto dealers license at 15 Sharpners Pond Road **Approved 4-0**
6. 7:50 Discuss and vote to implement pay equity study and accompanying non-union classification plan **Discussion**
7. 8:00 New Business: Reserved for topics that the Chair did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed

Upcoming Meetings: March 25
April 6 & 20

Joint Meeting with Finance Committee: FY22 Budget Hearing
Regular BOS meetings

The Board reserves the right to consider items on the agenda out of order. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

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