

MIDDLETON SELECT BOARD

MEETING AGENDA *Actions Taken*

FULLER MEADOW SCHOOL, NATHAN MEDIA CENTER

143 SOUTH MAIN STREET, MIDDLETON, MA 01949

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2022

7:00 PM

This meeting is being recorded

This meeting will be a hybrid of in-person and remote via Zoom. To join the meeting remotely, go to:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81838804267?pwd=aThoMXZINW50K2hiN3NMaEh2VldNUT09>

1 7:00 Warrants: 2214 & 2215 **APPROVED 4-0**

Minutes:

- November 30, 2021. Open Session
- December 14, 2021. Open Session
- December 14, 2021. Executive Session
- December 20, 2021 joint meeting with Flint Public Library Trustees. Open Session

APPROVED 4-0

Town Administrator updates and reports

- **Department Budget Meetings occurring this week. Budget summit coming up on Saturday, February 5th. Zoom link will be available.**
- **Capital Budget process will begin in the coming weeks and the Capital budget summit will be on Saturday, March 5th.**
- **Annual Town Meeting and Annual Town Election schedule have been posted on the website. Information on nominations available from Town Clerk. ATM will be 5/10/2022.**
- **1st notable winter event occurred. Many thanks to the DPW, contractors, and 1st responders.**
- **Madison Alley started on 1/10 as the Asst Treasurer/Collector and Payroll & benefits coordinator. Meredith Carlile will start 1/19 as the Administrative Secretary in the TA Office. Posting positions for college interns soon**
- **ARPA Survey – the Town's ARPA survey remains available on the website**
- **The Select Board page was updated with the implementation plan from the Fall 2021 Pedestrian Summit**

2 7:10 Public Comment Period

- **Michael Garnier 38 Mt. Vernon, Fire Department Union Representative went on record regarding union staffing levels and the availability of the SAFER grant**

3 7:15 Review and act on the recommendation of the Police Chief to appoint the following to the Police Department:

- Michael LeColst as a Police Sergeant **APPROVED 3-0 (recusal by RK)**
- Kosta Agganis as a Reserve Police Officer **APPROVED 3-0 (recusal by RK)**

4 7:20 227 Maple Street: Review and vote on petition of Scott & Matty Pizza, Inc., d/b/a Captain Pizza for new wine and malt beverages with cordials restaurant license, new manager Scott B. Kugel, and transfer of common victualler and entertainment licenses; transfer from Barney Restaurant Group, LLC

APPROVED 4-0

5 7:30 51 Village Road: Review and vote on petition of Aimbridge Hospitality, LLC d/b/a Double Tree North Shore for transfer of all alcoholic inn holder license and change of common victualler and entertainment licenses from Merritt Boston North Operator LLC
APPROVED 4-0

6 7:40 Compensation & classification plan: update of plan and discussion of policy decisions; Mary Aicardi of the Collins Center for Public Management
Presentation by Mary Aicardi, Collins Center on methodology and background on Comp and Class.
Final by early February.

7 7:50 Review, discuss, and vote on participating in a planning/study committee that will evaluate pros and cons of elementary schools regionalization
APPROVED 3-1 for the Board to participate along with the Boxford and Topsfield Select Boards and all three Town school committees to move forward with the study. Interested residents in being on the study committee will be advised as to how to reach out.

8 8:00 Discuss traffic and safety concerns on state and local roads in town
Discussion on marking updates to Route 114 in areas under local control. Board will request more information on signals and pavement markings from Police Chief at a future meeting.

9 8:10 Review, discuss, and vote on use of American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds and approve an initial request for a commitment of funds for water infrastructure, public health, and administrative costs
50K for water (pump station)
135k for public health including 1 pallet of test kits
50k administrative costs (audits, reporting, etc.)
APPROVED 4-0
Town Administration/Finance will continue to review final rule on ARPA funds

10 8:20 Review, discuss, and vote to adopt revisions to the Senior & Veterans Property Tax Work Off Program
APPROVED 4-0

11 8:25 Annual License renewal correction: Alba Auto will continue to hold a class II off premise license for 2022; Auto Export has chosen to decline renewal for 2022.
APPROVED 3-0 (recusal from JG)

12 8:30 Review, discuss, and vote to accept the following donations and grant:

- Middleton Food Pantry - \$500 – anonymous
- Middleton Food Pantry - \$1,000 - Torrice Family Charitable Trust
- Middleton Food Pantry - \$500 – Patrick Furnari
- Middleton COA - \$5,000 – James and Joanne Vining
- Middleton COA - \$1,000 – Gail Sabino
- Middleton Food Pantry - \$600 – George Dow, Sr.
- Middleton Food Pantry - \$1,000 – Margaret Lee
- Middleton Food Pantry - \$5,000 – James and Joanne Vining
- Middleton Food Pantry 0 \$2,500 – Richard & Jean Beck
- Cybersecurity training grant from the Executive Office of Technology Services & Security

APPROVED 4-0. Accepted with thanks.

13 8:35 Review, discuss, and vote to appoint George Cumming to the Cultural Council for a term through June 30, 2024 **APPROVED 4-0**

14 8:40 New Business: Reserved for topics that the Chair did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed

Upcoming Meetings:	January 25	Regular SB Meeting
	February 5, 8:30AM	Budget Summit
	February 8 & 22	Regular SB 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.