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TOWN HALL IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.



**Town of Amherst
Special Town Council Meeting
Monday, March 23, 2020
6:30 p.m.
Town Room, Town Hall and Virtual
4 Boltwood Avenue
Agenda – revised 3/23/2020**

1. Call to Order
2. Announcements
 - Town Council Meeting**
 - Monday, March 30, 6:30 p.m.
 - Monday, April 6, 6:30 p.m.
 - Joint meetings of Town Council and School Committee to fill School Committee Vacancy, Town Room, Town Hall:
 - Tuesday, April 14, 6:00 p.m. – Candidate interviews
 - Thursday, April 16, 6:00 p.m. – Continued candidate interviews, if needed, and joint Council and School Committee vote to select a candidate
3. Hearings - None
4. General Public Comment - None

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, this special meeting of the Amherst Town Council is being conducted via remote participation. No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, but every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings as provided for in the Order.

The meeting will be broadcast on Amherst Media channel 17 and via livestream here:
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A record of the meeting will be posted at www.amherstma.gov/TownCouncil as soon as possible.

Members of the public are encouraged to contact the Council with questions and comments by email at towncouncil@amherstma.gov

5. Proclamations and Commemorations - None
6. Presentations and Discussion
 - a. COVID-19 Update
 - (1) Town Manager Paul Bockelman and Health Director Julie Federman
 - (2) Schools and Senior Center Operations Update
 - (3) Council Discussion
7. Action Items
 - a. Consent Agenda
 - (1) Rules Revisions 8.2, 8.6 and 10.3
 - (2) Minutes
 - b. Town Manager State of Emergency Declaration
 - (1) Council Discussion
 - (2) Motion and Vote
 - c. Extension of Budget Deadlines - Topic Not Reasonably Anticipated by the President 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting
 - (1) Council Discussion
 - (2) Motion and Vote
 - c. School Committee Vacancy Process and Suggested Interview Questions
 - (1) Updated Memo on Timeline, Process, etc.
 - (2) Suggested Interview Questions for Candidates
 - (3) Motion and Vote
 - d. Town Council Rules of Procedure Rules 8.2, 8.6, and 10.3 – *Second Discussion*, *Council Rules of Procedure rule 1.6* – Consent Agenda
 - (1) Council Discussion
 - (2) Motion and Vote
8. Appointments - *None*
9. Committee Reports
 - a. Community Resources Committee
 - b. Finance Committee
 - c. Governance, Organization and Legislation Committee
 - d. Joint Capital Planning Committee
 - e. Outreach, Communications, and Appointments Committee
 - f. Town Services and Outreach Committee
10. Approval of Minutes – Consent Agenda
 - a. March 9, 2020 Regular Meeting
 - b. March 16, 2020 Special Meeting
11. Town Manager Report
12. Town Council Comments

- a. President report
 - b. Future agenda items
 - c. Councilor comments
13. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the President 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting
14. Executive Session – *None*
15. Adjourn