



**Town of Amherst
Regular Town Council Meeting
Monday, June 6, 2022
6:45 p.m.**

Town Hall, Town Room

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Agenda

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1. Call to Order

2. Announcements

Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

- Public Forum on Appropriation Outside the Annual Budget - Centennial Funding: June 13, 6:30 pm
- Regular Town Council Meeting: June 13, 6:45 p.m.
- Public Forum on Appropriation Outside the Annual Budget – North Common: June 27, 6:30 pm
- Regular Town Council Meeting: June 27, 6:45 p.m.

Upcoming Council Committee Meetings:

- Community Resources Committee: June 9, 4:30 p.m., Zoom
- Finance Committee Meeting: June 7, 3:00 p.m., Zoom
- Governance Organization, and Legislative Committee: June 8, 9:00 a.m., Zoom
- Town Services and Outreach Committee: June 16, 6:30 p.m., Zoom

Other upcoming community events:

- Elementary School Building Committee Community Forum: June 9, 6:30 p.m., Zoom
- Race Amity Day Celebration: June 12, 4:00 p.m., Zoom
- Juneteenth Jubilee: June 18, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. and June 19, noon, Town Common

3. Hearings – *None*

4. General Public Comment

*Residents are welcome to express their views for up to 3 minutes, at the discretion of the Town Council President, based upon the number of people who wish to speak. The Council will not engage in a dialogue or comment on a matter raised during General Public Comment. **To participate in public comment, see instructions below.***

5. Consent Agenda

- 6.a. Adoption of Race Amity Day Proclamation
- 8.c. Designation of Norwottuck Rail Trail from Station Road south to Amherst/Belchertown Town Line as Recreational
- 8.e. Adoption of Proposed Water and Sewer Rates
- 8.f. Referral of Parking Regulations on Lincoln Street between Amity and McClellan Streets to Town Services and Outreach Committee
- 8.h. Pioneer Valley Driving School Request for Long-Term Use of Two Parallel Parking Spaces on North Pleasant Street
- 8.i. Amendment to Town Council Rules of Procedure Rule 9.5: Number of Votes Required
- 9.a. Waiver of Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.6 for agenda item 9.a. Approval of Town Manager Appointments to Solar Bylaw Working Group
- 9.a. Approval of Town Manager Appointments to Solar Bylaw Working Group
- 9.b Appointments to the Planning Board
- 11.a. Approval of May 2, 2022 regular Town Council meeting minutes

6. Resolutions and Proclamations – Consent Agenda

- a. Race Amity Day Proclamation
 - 1) Governance, Organization, and Legislation Committee Report
 - 2) Council Discussion
 - 3) Reading
 - 4) Motion and Vote

7. Presentations and Discussion

- a. Review and Discussion of Town Council Priorities
- b. Proposed Housing Task Force

8. Action Items

- a. Rescission of Zoning Bylaw Article 13 – Demolition Delay for Structures of Historical or Architectural Significance – First Reading
 - 1) Planning Board Report
 - 2) Community Resources Committee Report
 - 3) Governance, Organization, and Legislation Committee Report
 - 4) Council Discussion
- b. Proposed General Bylaw – Preservation of Historically Significant Buildings – First Reading
 - 1) Presentation
 - 2) Community Resources Committee Report

- 3) Governance, Organization, and Legislation Committee Report
- 4) Council Discussion
- c. Designation of Norwottuck Rail Trail from Station Road south to Amherst/Belchertown Town Line as Recreational – Consent Agenda
 - 1) Council Discussion
 - 2) Motion and Vote
- d. Centennial Water Treatment Facility Funding
 - 1) Presentation
 - 2) Council Discussion
 - 3) Automatic Referral to Finance Committee
- e. Water and Sewer Rates – Consent Agenda
 - 1) Finance Committee Report
 - 2) Council Discussion
 - 3) Motion and Vote
- f. Public Way: Parking Regulations on Lincoln Avenue between Amity and McClellan Streets – Consent Agenda
 - 1) Council Discussion
 - 2) Motion and Vote to Refer to Town Services and Outreach Committee
- g. Public Way: Proposed Permanent and Interim Parking Regulations on North Pleasant Street from Triangle to Hallock Street
 - 1) Town Services and Outreach Committee Report
 - 2) Council Discussion
 - 3) Motion and Vote
- h. Public Way: Pioneer Valley Driving School Request for Long-Term Use of Two Parallel Parking Spaces on North Pleasant Street – Consent Agenda
 - 1) Council Discussion
 - 2) Motion and Vote
- i. Amendment to Town Council Rules of Procedure Rule 9.5: Number of Votes Required – Consent Agenda
 - 1) Council Discussion
 - 2) Motion and Vote

9. Appointments

- a. Town Manager Appointments – Consent Agenda
 - 1) Solar Bylaw Working Group – *Charter Sec. 2.11(b)*
 - a) Council Discussion
 - b) Motions and Votes
- b. Town Council Appointments – Consent Agenda
 - 1) Planning Board – *Charter Sec. 2.9(c)*
 - a) Community Resources Committee Report
 - b) Council Discussion
 - c) Motion and Vote

10. Committee and Liaison Reports

- a. Community Resources Committee
- b. Elementary School Building Committee
- c. Finance Committee

- d. Governance, Organization, and Legislation Committee
- e. Jones Library Building Committee
- f. Town Services and Outreach Committee
- g. Liaison Reports: Amherst Affordable Housing Trust, Board of Health, Community Safety and Social Justice Committee, Disability Access Advisory Committee, Energy and Climate Action Committee, Planning Board, and Transportation Advisory Committee

11. Approval of Minutes – Consent Agenda

- a. May 2, 2022 Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes

12. Town Manager Report

13. Town Council Comments

- a. President Report
- b. Future Agenda Items
- c. Councilor Comments

14. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting

15. Executive Session - *None*

16. Adjourn

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