



**Town of Amherst  
Town Council Meeting**

**Monday, May 6, 2019 6:30 p.m.  
Town Room, Town Hall  
4 Boltwood Avenue**

**Agenda – Revised 5/5/2019**

1. Call to Order
2. Announcements – Special Meetings of the Town Council:
  - Finance Committee, May 7, 2019, 2:00 p.m., Town Room  
FY20 Budget: Public Safety, Community Services
  - Community Resource Committee, May 8, 2019, 2:30 p.m., Town Room  
Master Plan
  - Finance Committee, May 9, 2019, 2:00 p.m., Town Room  
FY20 Budget: Schools and Library
  - Finance Committee, May 14, 2019, 2:00 p.m., Town Room  
FY20 Budget: Conservation & Development, General Government
  - Community Resource Committee, May 15, 2019, 2:30 p.m., Town Room  
Introduction to Zoning
  - Finance Committee, May 16, 2019, 2:00 p.m., Town Room  
FY20 Budget: DPW and Enterprise Funds
  - Finance Committee, May 21, 2019, 6:30 p.m., Town Room  
Public Hearing on FY20 Town Budget [*Charter Sec. 5.5(a)*] **Moved to Large  
Activity Room, Bangs Community Center**
  - Finance Committee, May 23, 2019, 2:00 p.m., Town Room  
FY20 Budget: Discussion on Capital Improvement Program and CPAC
  - Finance Committee, May 28, 2019, 2:00 p.m., Town Room  
Finance Committee vote on FY20 Budget Recommendation to Town Council
  - Town Council, June 10, 2019, 6:30 p.m., Town Room  
Public Forum on Capital Improvement Program [*Charter Sec. 5.7(d)*]
3. Hearings – *None*

4. **General Public Comments** – *General public comments on matters other than those under Agenda items 6b, 6c, 7a, and 7b. Public comments on those Agenda items will be taken at the relevant time during the meeting.*

*Residents are welcome to express their views for 1 to 3 minutes, at the discretion of the Town Council President, based upon the number of people who want to speak. The Council will not engage in a dialogue or comment on a matter raised during General Public Comments.*

5. **Proclamations and Commemorations**
  - a. Race Amity Day Proclamation
  - b. 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Amherst A Better Chance Proclamation
6. **Presentations and Discussion**
  - a. Proposed FY20 Budget Overview – Town Manager Paul Bockelman and Interim Finance Director Sonia Aldrich
  - b. Proposed Town Council Permanent Rules – Rules of Procedure Ad Hoc Committee; with possibility of advisory votes:
  - c. Short-Term Rentals Local Option – Town Manager Paul Bockelman
    - (1) Referral to Finance Committee and CRC
  - d. ~~Process of Town Manager Evaluation~~
7. **Action Items**
  - a. Town Council Policy Regarding Control and Regulation of the Public Ways - Town Commons, Parking, Road or Sidewalk Closures
    - (1) Council Discussion
    - (2) Motion and vote
  - b. Speed Limits (Request to adopt MGL Chapter 90, Sections 17C & 18B)
    - (1) Council Discussion
    - (2) Referral to CRC and TAC
  - c. Appointment Process for Non-Voting Finance Committee Members
    - (1) Council Discussion
    - (2) Motion and vote
  - d. Town Council 2019 Regular Meeting Calendar – November 4 or alternative date
    - (1) Council Discussion
    - (2) Motion and vote
  - e. FY20 Regional School Assessment Agreement and Budget
    - (1) Assessment Agreement
      - (a) Council Discussion
      - (b) Motion and vote, or referral to Finance Committee
    - (2) Budget
      - (a) Council Discussion

- (b) Motion, Vote, or Referral to Finance Committee
- f. Proposed FY20 Budget [*Charter Sec. 5.5(a)*]
  - (1) Council Discussion
  - (2) Referral to Finance Committee
- g. Capital Inventory and Capital Improvement Program [*Charter Sec. 5.7*]
  - (1) Council Discussion
  - (2) Referral to Finance Committee
- h. Fiscal Year 2018 Audit – Audit Committee [*Charter Sec. 5.8*]
  - (1) Council Discussion
  - (2) Motion and vote
- 8. Appointments
  - a. Confirmation of Town Manager Appointments to ECAC
    - (1) Council Discussion
    - (2) Motion and vote
  - b. Upcoming Town Council Appointments to Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Ranked-Choice Voting Commission, and Participatory Budgeting Commission
- 9. Committee Reports
  - a. Rules of Procedure Ad Hoc Committee
  - b. Outreach, Communications, and Appointments Committee
  - c. Governance, Organization and Legislation Committee
  - d. Finance Committee
  - e. Council Goals Ad Hoc Committee
  - f. Community Resources Committee
  - g. Bylaw Review Committee
  - h. Audit Committee
- 10. Approval of Minutes
  - a. April 22, 2019
  - b. April 23, 2019
- 11. Town Manager Report
- 12. Town Council Comments
  - a. President reports
    - (1) Committees to be Assigned Council Liaisons
    - (2) Approval off cycle of a Public Ways Request by Greenfield Savings Bank
  - 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