

SELECT BOARD AGENDA

Regular Meeting

6:00 p.m. October 22, 2024



Town Hall
Powers Hall
1471 Highland Avenue
Needham, MA 02492
&
Zoom

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This is a public meeting of the Needham Select Board. The meeting is open to the public both in person and via Zoom. Residents are invited to provide comment during the public comment period (as set forth below) and for any item explicitly listed as a public hearing. Public comment is not available during other agenda items.

	6:00	Public Comment Period Residents are encouraged to inform the Office of the Town Manager in advance via email (OTM@needhamma.gov), telephone (781) 455-7500 extension 204, or in person by the end of the business day prior to the meeting of their intent to participate in the public comment period. The Chair will first recognize those who have communicated in advance their desire to speak for up to three minutes. If time allows, others wishing to speak will be recognized in an order determined by the Chair for up to three minutes. The Board’s policy on public participation in meetings can be found here .
1.	6:00	2024 National First Responders Day Proclamation • Carys Lustig, Director of Public Works

		• Shane Mark, Assistant Director of Public Works • Tom Conroy, Fire Chief • John Schlittler, Police Chief • Kristin Scoble, Emergency Management Administrator
2.	6:00	2024 Veterans Day Proclamation
3.	6:00	Public Hearing: Grant of Location – 223 Warren St • Joanne Callendar, Eversource Representative
4.	6:15	Eversource Underground Cable Modernization Program • Peter Bowman, Eversource Community Relations • Ian Kea, Eversource Project Services • Hector Escalante-Yuman, Eversource Engineering
5.	6:45	Local Initiative Program Proposal – 339 Chestnut Street • Matt Borrelli, Needham Enterprises • George Giunta, Jr., Counsel for Needham Enterprises • Scott Melching, Architect for Needham Enterprises
6.	7:15	Townwide Trail Signage Improvement • Dave Herer, Needham Conservation Commission Chair • Deb Anderson, Director of Conservation
7.	7:30	Zero Emission Vehicle First Policy • Gabby Queenan, Sustainability Manager • Carys Lustig, Director of Public Works
8.	7:45	Needham Power Choice Program Update • Gabby Queenan, Sustainability Manager • David Davison, Deputy Town Manager/Director of Finance • Cecilia Simchak, Assistant Director of Finance
9.	8:15	Town Manager • RTS Employee Use Policy • Tree Preservation Planning Committee • Town Manager Report
10.	8:30	Board Discussion • Committee Reports
11.	8:35	Executive Session <u>Exception 10:</u> To discuss trade secrets or confidential, competitively sensitive or other proprietary information provided in the course of activities conducted as a municipal aggregator under M.G.L. chapter 164, section 134, when such municipal aggregator determines that such disclosure will adversely affect its ability to conduct business in relation to other entities making, selling or distributing electric power and energy.

APPOINTMENT CALENDAR

1.	Guus Dreissen	Mobility Planning and Coordination Committee Term Exp: 6/30/2027
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2.	Justin McCullen	Needham Center Project Working Group Term Exp: 6/30/2027
3.	Heidi Frail	Large House Review Study Committee (Recommendation for Appointment to Planning Board)
4.	Marianne Cooley	Large House Review Study Committee (Recommendation for Appointment to Planning Board)
5.	Catherine Dowd	General By-Law Review Committee Term Exp: 6/30/2026
6.	Zohar Gorman	Needham Historical Commission Term Exp: 6/30/2026
7.	Jacqueline DeWolfe	Needham Center Project Working Group Term Exp: 6/30/2027

CONSENT AGENDA *Supporting Documents in Agenda Packet

1.*	Approve Open Session Minutes of September 24, 2024 and Executive Session Minutes of October 8, 2024
2.	Approve a request from Maggie Flanagan, Needham Athletic Booster Club, to hold the road event “NHS Athletic Booster Rocket Run.” The event is scheduled for Sunday, March 23, 2025, at 9:00am - 12:00pm. The event and route have been approved by the following departments: Fire, Police and Public Works.
3.	Accept the following donations to the Needham Free Public Library: • From Josephine Glassenberg via the Abigail P. & Charles S. Glassenberg Fund, \$100 • From Whitney F., \$608 • From the Indian Community of Needham (ICON), \$500
4.	Accept the following donation to the Department of Public Works: • Daffodil bulbs to be planted around the Town Common (estimate \$250)
5.*	Approve and Sign Water Sewer Abatements 1331 & 1332.
6.*	Approve and Sign Fire Abatements for Invoices 38, 39, & 48.

NOTICE OF APPROVED BLOCK PARTIES

Name	Address	Party Location	Date	Time	Rain Date
Todd Glaskin	1092 Highland Ave	Carey Road	10/20/24	5pm-8pm	N/A
Leila Johnson	341 Nehoiden Street	Glendoon Road	10/26/24	3pm-7pm	10/27/24
Michael Droney	10 Great Plain Terrace	10 Great Plain Terrace	10/26/24	5pm-9pm	N/A
Jamie McCarthy	14 Meadow Lane	Meadow Lane	10/27/24	3:30-5:30pm	11/2/24
Elizabeth Lawlor	76 Howland Street	Pleasant Street	10/27/24	4pm-7pm	N/A
Michael Droney	10 Great Plain Terrace	10 Great Plain Terrace	10/31/24	4pm-9pm	N/A

NOTICE OF APPROVED ONE-DAY SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSES

Hosting Organization	Event Title	Location	Event Date
Needham History Center & Museum	Tequila Tasting	Needham History Center, 1147 Central Avenue	10/23/2024