

**TOWN OF WINCHESTER
SELECT BOARD MEETING
Monday, March 23, 2020
Record**

OPENING

Chair Mariano Goluboff called the meeting to order at **8:00 AM** via Zoom remote participation due to the State of Emergency COVID-19. Present were Select Board members Vice Chair Michael Bettencourt, Susan Verdicchio, Jacqueline A. Welch, and Amy Shapiro. Also present was Town Manager Lisa Wong, Town Counsel Arthur Kreiger and Mina Makarious and Town Clerk Mary Ellen Lannon. (Note - due to the remote participation all Select Board votes are roll call votes.)

BUSINESS

1. **March 31st Election** - Mary Ellen Lannon, Town Clerk, requested that the Select Board postpone the Annual Town Election. The Select Board voted the following:

*Motion That the Select Board postpone the Annual Town Election for the Town of Winchester MA contingent upon the approval of either 1) a court order granted by the superior court of Middlesex County, Commonwealth of Massachusetts or 2) a positive vote of the State Legislature approving the request to postpone all Annual Town Elections in the Commonwealth, whichever comes first, effective today, March 23, 2020

Bettencourt - Welch

Roll Call: Verdicchio, Welch, Shapiro, Goluboff, Bettencourt VOTED

2. **State of Emergency** - Ms. Wong stated that the Board of Health had passed a public health emergency and recommended that the Select Board pass their own. The Board approved the following:

WHEREAS, the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19, described as a pandemic by the World Health Organization, and the effects of its extreme risk of person-to-person transmission throughout the Commonwealth significantly affect the life and health of our people and safety of the public; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has issued a Declaration of Emergency on March 10, 2020, and determined that the immediate public action is needed to prevent, minimize, or mitigate damage to public health, safety, or general welfare of the people of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, the Winchester Board of Health issued a Declaration of a Public Health Emergency on March 18, 2020 in the interest of protecting public health during the Coronavirus pandemic; and

NOW THEREFORE, We, the Select Board of the Town of Winchester, Massachusetts, hereby declare that, effective as of 12:01am on Tuesday, March 24, 2020, a State of Emergency is declared to exist in Winchester.

Verdicchio - Welch

Roll Call: Verdicchio, Welch, Shapiro, Goluboff, Bettencourt VOTED

ADJOURNMENT : 9:20 AM

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*Motion: That the Select Board adjourn for the day.
Bettencourt - Shapiro
Roll Call: Verdicchio, Welch, Shapiro, Goluboff, Bettencourt

VOTED

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Wong, Town Manager