



OFFICE OF THE SELECT BOARD  
**TOWN OF EAST BRIDGEWATER**

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**AGENDA FOR THE SELECT BOARD MEETING**  
Monday, October 16, 2023, 6:30 pm  
First Floor Conference Room

*CALL TO ORDER*

*PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE*

*OPEN FORUM*

*JOINT MEETING / PUBLIC HEARING*

6:30 pm      Joint meeting with Board of Assessors to set the tax classification.

**PUBLIC HEARING** - The Select Board and Board of Assessors will hold a public hearing on property tax classifications on Monday, October 16, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the first-floor conference room at the Town Hall.

This hearing, which is required by law, determines whether the Town will have one classification or will differentiate among several classes when setting the tax rate.

*ACTION ITEM*

1. Vote to adopt a residential factor of 1 after review and recommendation by the Board of Assessors.

*APPOINTMENTS*

6:45 pm      Announcement of EDA Award

*JOINT MEETING*

Select Board and Planning Board to discuss and possibly appoint Yvonne Macrae as an associate member of the Planning Board.

*ACTION ITEM*

1. Appoint Yvonne Macrae as an associate member of the planning board for the period 10/16/2023 through 6/30/2026.

## *ACTION ITEMS*

1. Approve the minutes of the September 25, 2023, Select Board's Meeting.
2. Approve but not release the minutes of the September 25, 2023, Select Board's Executive Session Meeting.
3. Approve the minutes of the October 2, 2023, Select Board's Meeting.
4. Appoint Kathleen Cavanagh as Registrars of Voters as of July 1, 2023, no designated term.
5. Appoint Kathleen Cavanagh as Record Access Officer as of July 1, 2023, no designated term.
6. Review and vote on event and signage request from Steve Meigan of Kiwanis Club of East Bridgewater for use of the Town Hall Parking lot for Christmas Tree Sales. The event will start November 18, 2023, through December 15, 2023. Hours are Monday through Friday 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Saturday and Sunday 9:00 am – 8:00 pm.
7. Approve the request from Dianne Kennedy Warkel of the Kiwanis Club of East Bridgewater decorate the Town Common for the Annual Lighting of the Common and Town Tree late November and take down by early January.
8. Vote to direct the Town Administrator and Town Accountant to investigate a payroll matter involving a recently retired employee.
9. Review of ARPA grant applications, discussion, and requests for additional information, scheduling public forum.
10. Approve for Town Administrator, Charlie Seelig to draft a Mass Save outreach letter to send to residents.
11. Discussion of hours of operation for Town Hall.
12. Vote to approve the sale of a \$4,078,215 4.50 percent General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes (the "Notes") of the Town dated October 27, 2023, and payable July 26, 2024, to Piper Sandler & Co. at par and accrued interest, if any, plus a premium of \$5,179.33.

Voted: We hereby determine, in accordance with G.L. c. 70B, that the cost of the Central Elementary School Roof Replacement project authorized by vote of the Town passed on June 23, 2020 (Article 36) being financed with proceeds of a portion of the Notes defined below, together with all other bonds and notes of the Town previously issued to pay costs of this project, does not exceed the portion of the total cost of the project that is not being paid by the school facilities grant and we hereby approve the issuance of notes and bonds to finance this project under G.L. c. 70B.

Further Voted: to approve the sale of the \$4,078,215 4.50 percent General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes (the "Notes") of the Town dated October 27, 2023 and payable July 26, 2024, to Piper Sandler & Co. at par and accrued interest, if any, plus a premium of \$5,179.33.

Further Voted: that in connection with the marketing and sale of the Notes, the preparation and distribution of a Notice of Sale and Preliminary Official Statement dated September 27, 2023, and a final Official Statement dated October 5, 2023, each in such form as may be approved by the Town Treasurer, be and hereby are ratified, confirmed, approved and adopted.

Further Voted: that the Treasurer and the Select Board be, and hereby are, authorized to execute and deliver a significant events disclosure undertaking in compliance with SEC Rule 15c2-12 in such form as may be approved by bond counsel to the Town, which undertaking shall be incorporated by reference in the Notes for the benefit of the holders of the Notes from time to time.

Further Voted: that we authorize and direct the Treasurer to establish post issuance federal tax compliance procedures and continuing disclosure procedures in such forms as the Treasurer and bond counsel deem sufficient, or if such procedures are currently in place, to review and update said procedures, in order to monitor and maintain the tax-exempt status of the Notes and to comply with relevant securities laws.

Further Voted: that any certificates or documents relating to the Notes (collectively, the "Documents"), may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be regarded as an original and all of which shall constitute one and the same document; delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to a Document by electronic mail in a ".pdf" file or by other electronic transmission shall be as effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart signature page to such Document; and electronic signatures on any of the Documents shall be deemed original signatures for the purposes of the Documents and all matters relating thereto, having the same legal effect as original signatures.

Further Voted: that each member of the Select Board, the Town Clerk and the Treasurer be and hereby are, authorized to take any and all such actions, and execute and deliver such certificates, receipts or other documents as may be determined by them, or any of them, to be necessary or convenient to carry into effect the provisions of the foregoing votes.

I further certify that the votes were taken at a meeting open to the public, that no vote was taken by secret ballot, that a notice stating the place, date, time and agenda for the meeting (which agenda included the adoption of the above votes) was filed with the Town Clerk and a copy thereof posted in a manner conspicuously visible to the public at all hours in or on the municipal building that the office of the Town Clerk is located or, if applicable, in accordance with an alternative method of notice prescribed or approved by the Attorney General as set forth in 940 CMR 29.03(2)(b), at least 48 hours, not including Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays, prior to the time of the meeting and remained so posted at the time of the meeting, that no deliberations or decision in connection with the sale of the Notes were taken in executive session, all in accordance with G.L. c.30A, §§18-25 as amended.

#### *ANNOUNCEMENTS / STAFF REPORTS*

Community Shredding/Prescription Drug/Needle/Oil Based Paint, and Large Battery Disposal Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> 10:00am - 1:00pm at Sachus Rock Community Center / COA 355 Plymouth Street.

*UPCOMING MEETINGS – 2023*

BOS - Monday, October 30	BOS - Monday, November 13	BOS - Monday, November 27	BOS – Monday, December 11
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*TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT*

*Plymouth County Retirement assessment*  
ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan Grant

*BOARD DISCUSSIONS*

*TOPICS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIRMAN 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING*

Vote to close open meeting and enter executive session and may return to open session.

Pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel, Police Chief, Deputy Police Chief.

Pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares; Firefighters, Superior Officers, Clerical, DPW, Dispatchers, Superior Officers, Patrol Officers, Library.

Vote to close Executive Session meeting and may return to open session.