

**MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
June 11, 2020**

**Consistent with guidance issued by Governor Baker on March 12, 2020 suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law due to Covid-19, this meeting was held remotely using Zoom technology, Meeting ID 960 5004 6782.**

At 10 AM Chair Robyn Hunter called the meeting to order with members John Jeffries and Robert Springett present. Also in attendance were Christopher Dwelley, Town Administrator; Katelyn O'Brien, Assistant Town Administrator, and Mona DiSciullo, Administrative Assistant.

ATTENDEES: Town Clerk Felicia Hoffman; Police Chief Peter McGowan; Superintendent of Buildings Karl Warnick; Assistant Town Moderator Dave Haviland; Barry Goldman, Capital Budget Committee

PRESS: None present.

**Citizens' Comments**

There are no citizens' comments.

**Town Meeting Information Session**

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Selectmen, Town officials, the Board of Health, and Town staff have been discussing the best way to move forward with the Annual Town Meeting while minimizing the risk of possible exposure to the virus and ensuring the maximum safety and well-being of Meeting participants. It was determined that the Meeting will take place on June 29, 2020 at 11 AM on the football field at the Dover-Sherborn Regional High. Several safety measures, including social distancing and wearing of masks, recommended by the Board of Health, the Covid-19 Preparedness Taskforce, and outside consultants will be implemented, and to avoid large gatherings, the Commonwealth has allowed Dover to reduce its quorum from 175 registered voters to 18 registered voters.

To expedite the Meeting, only those Warrant Articles which are essential to continue Town operations in FY21 will be voted on. In an effort to facilitate awareness and understanding of those Articles, the Selectmen requested that Town Meeting Information Sessions be held remotely

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and be publicized and made available to Dover's residents on the Town's social media channels, the Town's website, and Dover-Sherborn Cable TV.

A slideshow presentation was displayed, and Mr. Dwelley summarized and explained the background of each Warrant Article, listed below, as well as its related costs and funding sources. Meeting attendees were invited to comment and participate in a question and answer segment.

- Article 1 – Salaries for Elected Officials
- Article 2 – Revolving Funds
- Article 3 – FY2021 Operating Budget
- Article 4 – FY2021 Capital Budget
- Article 6 – Road Reconstruction Funding Authorization
- Article 14 – Appropriation for One-Time Projects
- Article 15 – Reserve Fund
- Article 16 – Unpaid Bills
- Article 30 – Free Cash to Reduce the Tax Rate

The Town Meeting Information Session slideshow presentation and the Warrant Committee's Blue Book containing detailed information about the Warrant Articles and budgets along with the Committee's recommendations are on the Town's website at [www.doverma.org](http://www.doverma.org) under the Town Meeting page.

Additional virtual public Town Meeting Information Sessions are scheduled for June 18, (at the regularly scheduled Selectmen's meeting); June 24 and June 27, 2020.

**Adjournment**

At 10:58 AM, Ms. Hunter moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Jeffries; it was unanimously approved by roll call vote.

DOVER BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Robert P. Springett, Clerk