

# BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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## SELECTMEN'S MEETING AGENDA

February 21, 2024

Fire Headquarters – 4:30 p.m.

1. To consider, and if appropriate, approve the Board of Selectmen minutes of January 17, 2024.
2. Executive Session – Tax Appeals
3. To receive a report from Brian Droney, Lead Tradesman, concerning emergency work at a town owed building located at 40 Kirkham Street.
4. To receive a report from Brian Devlin, Superintendent, Wastewater Treatment Facility for emergency work necessary to repair a failed pump at the Damascus Pump Station.
5. To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from Gary Zielinski, Director of Public Works to trade in a John Deere 323E S/N Compact Track Loader for a price of \$25,159 toward the purchase of a 2024 John Deere 333 G Compact Track Loader (contract #011723-JDC).
6. To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from Gary Zielinski, Director of Public Works to waive the bid for the purchase of catch basin cleaning and award the contract to Shaw Vac Services at a cost of \$29.00 per basin and \$200 per hour for basin cleaning. (this is a negotiated price in which ShawVac matched the lowest per basin bid price and offered a lower per hour rate than the bids received by CRCOG).
7. To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from Jennifer Acquino, Assistant Town Engineer to waive an informality of the Fueling Facility Installation, Branford Fire Headquarters bid as it is in the Town's best interest. The lowest bidder neglected to provide a digital copy of their bid submission as required in the invitation to bid.
8. To consider, and if appropriate, approve a Second Amendment to Lease between the Town of Branford and the Stony Creek Quarry Workers Celebration (Museum). The Second Amendment extends the term of the lease until 2043 and allows for two succession renewal terms, each for a renewal of ten years. All other terms and conditions remain in full force and effect.
9. To consider, and if appropriate, abate the taxes for property located at 210 Pine Orchard Road acquired by the town on December 14, 2023.

10. To consider, and if appropriate, approve the following resolution:

Be it resolved, that it is in the best interest of the Town of Branford to enter into contracts with the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection.

(This resolution is necessary for a grant award for the Pump Out Boat from the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection)

11. To consider, and if appropriate approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the policies of the Town of Branford comply with nondiscrimination agreements and warranties of the Connecticut General Statutes §§ 4a-60 and 4a-60a, as amended.

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12. Green Use:

To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from the Branford Compassion Club for use of the Town Green on March 30, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. noon to hold an Easter Bake Sale.

To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from the Branford Community Gardens for use of the Town Green on May 18, 2024 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to hold a Plant and Seedling Sale.

To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from the Branford Parks and Recreation Department for use of the Town Green to hold musical and other events/activities on the following days: Mondays - May through October; Wednesdays - June and July and Thursdays - June through September.

To consider, and if appropriate, approve a request from the Trinity Episcopal Church for use of the Town Green on June 8, 2024 from 2:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. to hold a LGBTQ and Pride Festival.

13. Reappointments:

Academy on the Green

Don Gentile (move from Elector position to Branford Historical Society position) term to expire January 30, 2025.

Albert Russell (move from First Congregational Church rep to Elector position) term to expire January 30, 2027.

14. Appointments:

Academy on the Green (Widow's Son Lodge)

Charlie Miller to fill a vacancy left by Len Bucher term to expire January 30, 2029.

Economic Development Commission

Susan Fainstein to fill a vacancy left by Alisa Waterman term to expire July 31, 2024.

15. Reappointments:

16. Correspondence

17. Other

18. Adjournment