

Select Board
Tuesday, July 11, 2023
Gleason Public Library
22 Bedford Road, Carlisle MA 01741

In-person Meeting

The Select Board met in person on Tuesday, July 11, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were the chair Kate Reid, Vice-chair Travis Snell, Barney Arnold, Nathan Brown, and David Model.

This meeting was open to the public to attend in person only. This meeting was not live-streamed or recorded.

Staff Present:

Ryan McLane, Town Administrator
Aubrey Thomas, Assistant Town Administrator/HR
Julie Mercier, Town Planner

Appointments & Resignations:

Historical Commission

On the motion made by Barney Arnold and seconded by David Model, it was unanimously voted to appoint Annette Lee (Lowell Road) and Chip Dewing (South Street) as alternate members of the Historical Commission with terms expiring June 30, 2026.

Transfer Station Action Committee:

On the motion made by Barney Arnold and seconded by David Model, it was unanimously voted to modify the term expiration date for the Transfer Station Action Committee members as follows:

- 1 year - Christine Lear, Carren Panico (2024)
- 2 year - Tom Bilotta, Dan Scholten (2025)
- 3 year - Rob Peary, John Petrie, Laura Snowden (2026)

Select Board FY23 Goals Review:

The Select Board reviewed FY2023 goals and deliberated what to include in FY2024.

The Board recommitted to using the Master Plan as a guide for framing their goals and generally agreed on the following, per category, to continue discussing in August.

Fiscal Sustainability – agreed to include all these goals again.

Environmental Stewardship – To work with the Environmental Sustainability Committee to approve FY24 Workplan

Connectivity and Access – Many of these goals were accomplished in FY23. The remaining items are to be delegated to Staff.

Carlisle Character – agreed to look at new goals.

Sustainability Discussion:

The Select Board tentatively agreed to many of Environmental Sustainability’s proposed work plan initiatives for FY 2024 to be further vetted by staff and the committee for a final “approval” in August by the Select Board. The discussion centered on how to accomplish sustainability within the context of the town’s structure and its limited resources.

Boards and Committees Discussion (Town Governance):

The Select Board reviewed the Town Governance Task Force recommendations from 2022 to further identify items they might want to include for Fall Town Meeting and FY24 goals.

Additionally, the Board took a first look at their own review of their appointment processes and existing boards and committees. For the boards and committees appointed by the Select Board, there was a general agreement to continue reviewing their appointed boards and committees for current relevance and charge. The Board agreed to the following:

Eliminate the following Boards (based on no longer needing the committees):

- Deer Committee
- Long-Term Cap *
- Town Building Committee *
- Town Governance Task Force
- Master Plan Steering Committee

* Requires Fall Town Meeting vote and concurrence.

Delegate the following Boards to the Staff

- ADA Task Force
- Audit Committee
- Insurance Advisory Committee
- IT Committee
- Master Plan Implementation Committee
- Senior Tax Advisory Committee

On the motion made by Barney Arnold and seconded by David Model, it was VOTED to adjourn.

ROLL CALL VOTE: B. Arnold-Aye, D. Model-Aye, and K. Reid-Aye

MEETING ADJOURNED.

Documents reviewed during the meeting:

- Select Board Meeting Packet:
https://www.carlislema.gov/DocumentCenter/View/5023/SB_07112023_Agenda_Packet