

SELECT BOARD AGENDA

Regular Meeting

6:00 p.m. August 13, 2024



Needham Town Hall

Select Board Chambers & Zoom

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	6:00	Public Comment Period Residents are encouraged to inform the Office of the Town Manager in advance via email (OTM@needhamma.gov), telephone (781) 455-7500 extension 204, or in person by the end of the business day prior to the meeting of their intent to participate in the public comment period. The Chair will first recognize those who have communicated in advance their desire to speak for up to three minutes. If time allows, others wishing to speak will be recognized in an order determined by the Chair for up to three minutes. The Board’s policy on public participation in meetings can be found here .
1.	6:00	Proclamation: 2024 International Overdose Awareness Day
2.	6:00	Needham Branding and Town Seal Committee Logo Recommendation • Kate Fitzpatrick, Town Manager • Amy Haelsen, Director of Communications & Community Engagement • Members of the Needham Branding and Town Seal Committee

3.	6:00	Public Hearing: Eversource Grant of Location – 52 Plymouth Road Joanne Callender, Eversource Representative
4.	6:00	Public Hearing: Eversource Grant of Location – 83 Elder Road Joanne Callender, Eversource Representative
5.	6:00	Public Hearing: Eversource Grant of Location – 131 Oxbow Road Joanne Callender, Eversource Representative
6.	6:00	Public Hearing: Removal a Public Shade Tree at 239 Manning Avenue Edward Olsen, Tree Warden/Parks & Forestry Superintendent
7.	6:45	FY2023 Financial Audit - Marcum LLP (Independent Auditors) - Dave Davison, Deputy Town Manager/Director of Finance
8	7:00	Public Hearing: Application for Multiple Amendments to an All-Alcohol License – Blue Restaurant Needham, LLC dba Blue on Highland Thomas Miller, Applicant Counsel
8.	7:15	Public Hearing: Verizon Grant of Location – Lawton Road Alex Marrero, Verizon Representative
9.	7:30	Director of Public Works - Sign Notice of Traffic Regulation – Kearney Road - Sign Notice of Traffic Regulation – George Aggott Road - Sign Notice of Traffic Regulation – West Street
10.	7:45	Town Manager - Town Offices Schedule Shift - National Community Survey - Call for and Open Special Town Meeting Warrant - Downtown Project Working Group - American Rescue Plan Act Funding - Release of Executive Session Minutes - Town Manager Report
11.	8:30	Board Discussion - Proposed MBTA Needham Line Commuter Rail Service Modifications - Select Board Goal Setting FY2025 – 2026 - Town Manager Performance Evaluation - Open Meeting Law Complaint - Committee Reports

APPOINTMENT CALENDAR

1.	Charlene Smith	Needham Council for Arts and Culture Term Exp: 8/13/2027
2.	Jean Klugman	Needham Council for Arts and Culture Term Exp: 8/13/2027
3.	Seona Standard	Needham Council for Arts and Culture Term Exp: 8/13/2027

4.	Tracy Lin	Needham Council for Arts and Culture Term Exp: 8/13/2027
5.	Ronna Perlmutter	Needham Council for Arts and Culture Term Exp: 8/13/2027

CONSENT AGENDA *Supporting Documents in Agenda Packet

1.*	Approve Open Session Minutes of July 30, 2024 and amend Open Session Minutes of June 25, 2024
2.	Approve a request from Maura Holt-Ling, Development Associate of Bikes Not Bombs, Org., to hold the road event “Bikes Not Bombs 37 th Annual Bike-A-Thon” in Needham. The event is scheduled for Sunday, September 8, 2024, starting at 7:45 a.m., with a rain date of Sunday, September 15, 2024. The event and route have been approved by the following departments: Fire, Police, and Public Works
3.	Accept the following donations to Needham Youth & Family Services (YFS): • \$100 from Richard Morin towards the YFS Crisis Donation Fund • \$200 from Christopher Lee Granick towards the YFS Crisis Donation Fund • \$100 from Ronald Ritter towards the YFS Crisis Donation Fund
4.	Accept the following donation made to the Needham Community Revitalization Trust Fund: • \$1500 from the Needham Public Library • \$3850 from William Middleton for the Middleton Bench Project • \$1700 from Mr. & Mrs. Ryan McKee for the Caley Bench Project
5.	Accept the following donation to the Needham Aging Services Division: • From Shawn Reddish, TheraCycle exercise bike (estimated value \$3000)
6.*	Approve 20B Exemption for Ryan Villa to engage in work with the Needham Fire Department
7.*	Amend the Charge and Composition for the Mobility Planning and Coordination Committee

NOTICE OF APPROVED BLOCK PARTIES

Name	Address	Party Location	Date	Time	Rain Date
Cindy Osgood	27 Laurel Drive	Lower Laurel Drive	9/7/24	4pm-8pm	9/8/24
Nicole Foster	38 Mayflower Road	Mayflower Rd between Great Plain Ave & Alden Rd	9/7/24	4pm-8pm	9/8/24
Kate Deeley	61 Kenney Street	Kenney St & Barbara Rd	9/21/21	3pm-11pm	9/22/24