

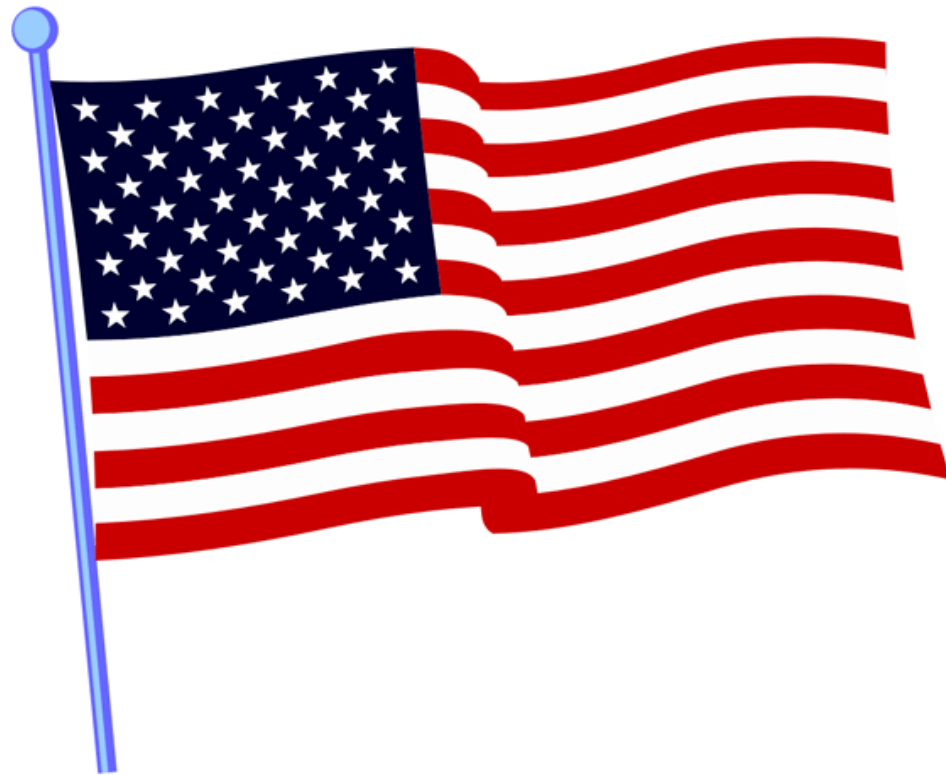
TOWN OF MADISON

CONNECTICUT

Regular Meeting – February 8, 2022

Board of Selectmen

Pledge of Allegiance



Agenda

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Approval of minutes: January 24, 2022
3. First Selectwoman's Updates.
4. Liaison Reports/Selectmen Comments.
5. Citizen comments
6. Discuss the Town plan for Electric Vehicle replacement and charging station strategies.
7. Discuss Ethics Code implementation and Committee.
8. Discuss and take action to approve a Facilities Committee.
9. Discuss and take action to approve an application for a Supplemental Certified Local Government Grant as requested by Old Elm Street Historic District Committee.
10. Discuss and take action to call a Budget Public Hearing on Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
11. Discuss and take action to approve calling a Special Town Meeting in Town Campus Room A on Monday, February 28, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. Other Appointments / Resignations
12. Appointments / Resignations:
13. Tax Abatements and Refunds
14. Citizens Comments
15. Executive Session
16. Adjournment

First Selectwoman's Update

- **Referendum scheduled for next Tuesday, February 15th**
 - Voting from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. District 1 at Polson Middle School, District 2 at Brown Intermediate School
- **Town gearing up for Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA) passed in November 2021 - historic \$1.2T investment in nation's core infrastructure**
 - Prioritizes roads, bridges, rail, transit, ports, airports, electric grid, water systems, and broadband.
 - Mix of formula funding & competitive grants
 - Combines incremental funding for existing DOT programs and new programs
- **CT will receive ~ \$6 billion over 5 years**
 - \$3.5B for highway programs, \$561M for bridge replacement & repair with a focus on climate change mitigation, resilience, equity, and bike/ped safety
 - \$1.3B for public transportation, \$62M for airport infrastructure, \$53M to expand EV charging network
 - \$445M to improve water infrastructure, \$100M for broadband
 - \$20M to protect against cyberattacks, prepare infrastructure for impacts of climate change and extreme weather events, \$6.4M to protect against wildfires₄

EV Strategy – Why Now?

- **Climate crisis driving urgent need to reduce dependence on fossil fuels**
- **Federal & State government incentivizing conversion to EV**
 - IIJA Bill includes \$7.7B for deployment of EVs and infrastructure, \$12.7B for clean vehicles & fueling infrastructure, and \$10.3B for grid/battery-related investments
 - CT committed to putting 125,000 Zero-emission vehicles on road by 2025
 - SCRCOG coordinating regional efforts for municipal EV replacement by 2050
 - CT launched the EVConnecticut program to provide grants for charging stations
 - CT - DEEP created Connecticut EV roadmap
 - CT deploying point of sale rebates through CHEAPR program
- **Steps taken by Town to date**
 - Town operates one dual Chargepoint unit located downtown (installed 2017).
 - Town pays ~ \$5K/year for electricity use. Huge increase in demand.
 - Staff participation in SCRCOG EV Toolkit educational webinars
 - Working with Energy Conservation Commission to develop infrastructure plan and capitalize on recent grant opportunities
 - Hired consultant to review Town fleet – report expected end of February

EV Strategy – Next Steps

- **Board of Selectmen**
 - Set long-term goals and objectives for EV strategy
 - Identify working group to develop plan (Staff, Energy, Sustainability, EDC, other)
- **Town Infrastructure**
 - Identify locations for Town and school fleet EV charging
 - Determine strategy for expansion of public use on public and/or private property
 - Identify charging options for employee use at Town/School facilities
- **Town Fleet**
 - Professional consultant study of replacement options underway
 - Identify and target vehicles in fleet plan for EV replacement
 - Capitalize on grant opportunities to save investment dollars in CIP
 - BOE to work with Durham Transportation on school bus conversion plan
- **Other Town policies/issues**
 - Evaluate parking and enforcement issues for chargers
 - Develop building, permitting and zoning guidelines or regulations
- **Community**
 - Assess needs/demands for charging stations
 - Educate and encourage community conversion

Ad Hoc Facilities Committee

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Charge:

- Develop a Town-wide facilities Master Plan
- Evaluate all existing town facilities and review suitability for current operations by leveraging completed studies and other resources
- Determine any current needs for space and facility improvements
- Identify properties for potential repurposing, lease or sale
- Review longer term needs and make appropriate recommendations to Board of Selectmen
- Evaluate and coordinate facility needs with the Board of Education and ancillary town properties, including the Scranton Memorial Library, Madison Hose #1, NOMAD, Ambulance Facility

Membership:

- Appointed by the Board of Selectmen
- 5 Regular Members: 1 BOS, 1 BOF, 1 BOE, and 2 public members
- Staff liaisons: Facilities Director and Town Planner. Coordinates with other Town Departments when necessary