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**TOWN OF BERKLEY
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**BOARD OF
SELECTMEN**

MEETING POSTING

Wednesday, January 7th, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m.
Moitoza-Petty Hearing Room, 1 North Main Street

REVISED SELECTMEN'S AGENDA

I. Call to Order:

II. Public Hearings:

1. Pursuant to Massachusetts General Law, Chapter c.140 §59, a public hearing will be held on Wednesday, January 7th, 2026 at 6:05 pm by the Board of Selectmen, in the Moitoza – Petty Hearing Room at 1 N. Main St., Berkley, at which time the Selectmen will consider an application submitted for a Class III Motor Vehicle License (storage purposes) for property located at 17 Blossom Ln in the Town of Berkley.

Those attending the hearing will have the right to present written and/or oral comments. Following the hearing, the Board may deliberate and take action on the application, which may occur at that time or at a subsequent meeting.

III. Personnel

1. Board to consider and approve the hiring of Stephen Crowley for the open position of Transfer Station Attendant; review of matter; votes may be taken.

IV. Appointments:

1. Board to consider removal of Tom Fernandes from the Berkley Conservation Commission; review of matter; votes may be taken
2. Board to consider appointment of Mark Horsfall to the GATRA Advisory Board; review of matter; votes may be taken

V. New Business:

1. Discussion and possible action regarding building permit fees, review of comparable fees in other communities, consideration of other departmental fees under the Board's purview, discussion of a

potential effective date, and identification of fee adjustments that may require action at Annual Town Meeting; review of matter; votes may be taken

2. Board to review and potentially approve Agreement between Lakeville & Berkley for Lakeville Animal Shelter; review of matter; votes may be taken
3. Review of traffic analysis for the Berkley–Dighton Bridge, Porter Street, Padelford Street, and Myricks Street, and discussion of potential revisions to Spring 2026 count locations; votes may be taken
4. Review and possible approval of a grant application for St. Yves Field, including authorization for the Chair to execute and submit the application on behalf of the Town of Berkley; votes may be taken
5. Discussion and possible action regarding the recommendation of the Financial Advisory Committee for the expenditure of Opioid Settlement funds in the amount of \$53,000 for the Problem Oriented Policing program; review of matter; votes may be taken
6. Discussion and possible action regarding the recommendation of the Financial Advisory Committee for the expenditure of Opioid Settlement funds, in an amount to be determined, for the purchase of a LIFEPAK cardiac monitor/defibrillator for Berkley Fire & Rescue; review of the matter; votes may be taken.
7. Review and discussion regarding hosting Somerset Berkley Regional High School students to explore potential for new street light installations in the Town of Berkley; votes may be taken
8. Discussion regarding potential policy proposals to clarify Board operations, communication protocols, and workload management as the Board of Selectmen expands to five members; review of matter; votes may be taken
9. Board to receive an informational update regarding MassDOT’s designation of a portion of Myricks Street (Route 79) as a Critical Rural Freight Corridor as part of a statewide freight planning effort. The designation reflects existing truck traffic patterns and regional connectivity and does not alter zoning, land use, or local authority; review of matter; votes may be taken
10. Board to review and possibly approve of Liquor License Renewal submission to the Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC); votes may be taken
11. Review of Financial Advisory Committee recommendations regarding whether to pursue the State Qualified Bond Program, confirmation of the proposed bond amount, and discussion and possible decision on the use of a Bond Anticipation Note versus a permanent bond; votes may be taken
12. Board to review and sign Auto Class III License for Route 24 Auto Recycling, Inc. located at 31 Locust St.; review of matter; votes may be taken.
13. Board to review December 31st, 2025 Open Meeting Law Complaint filed against the Board of Selectmen by Patrick Higgins; review of matter; votes may be taken
14. Board to review Somerset Berkley Regional High School and Somerset PK-8 District planning session invitation and discuss prospective participation in same; review of matter; votes may be taken

VI. Meeting Mail:

1. Permanent Solution Statement RTN 4-0052649; RT 24-S Vicinity MM 15.3

VII. Meeting Minutes:

1. Board to approve Meeting Minutes of December 10th; 2025; review of matter; votes may be taken
2. Board to approve Executive Session Minutes of December 10th; 2025; review of matter; votes may be taken

VIII. Town Administrator Report:

1. Inclement weather closure protocol
2. MassDOT LEAP award Berkley sidewalk project

IX. Finance Committee Update:

X. Public Input:

XII. Executive Session:

1. Board to enter into Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares; review of matter; votes may be taken

XIII. Adjournment:

Next Scheduled Meeting is Wednesday, January 28th, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

This meeting will be available in person, virtually and on Berkley Cable Access TV.

Please note that while an option for remote attendance and/or participation is being provided as a courtesy to the public, applicants, and board members, the meeting and hearings will not be suspended or terminated if technological problems interrupt.

Berkley Board of Selectmen Zoom URL:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83552849745>

