



**TOWN OF BRENTWOOD
SELECTBOARD
TOWN OFFICE: 1 DALTON ROAD
AGENDA FOR 07/05/2023 @ 6:00 PM**

- I. Convene
- II. Review and sign payroll and accounts payable register
- III. Review and approve the Consent Agenda: Subject to Change
 - a. Recreation Manifest
 - b. Treasurer's Report
 - c. Building Permits
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Discussion/Action Items
 - a. Lois DeYoung: town projects
 - b. Proposed amendment to Article IV, section R
 - c. Correspondence from Norma Fuller
- VI. Regular Business
 - a. Committee Updates
- VII. Any other matter that may legally come before the Board
- VIII. Non-Public Session:
May be called at any time in accordance with Chapter 91A:3II, a, b, c, d, e, i
- IX. Adjourn

Karen Clement

From: loisdeyoung <loisdeyoung@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, June 30, 2023 8:00 AM
To: Karen Clement
Subject: Please put me on the July 5th Select Board Agenda

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I wish to discuss the Town projects.

Thank you,
Lois DeYoung
105 Crawley Falls Rd.
603-498-0002

Sent via the Samsung Galaxy Note20 5G, an AT&T 5G smartphone

Proposed Amendment to Article IV, Section R (second paragraph)

At the close of the posting period, the Board will review all applications submitted, and will also provide the applicant with the option to meet with the board before a decision is made. The Board's deliberations will be conducted in public session, but the Board may go into non-public session if the matter discussed would likely affect adversely the reputation of any applicant unless such person requests an open meeting. See R.S.A. 91-A:3, II(c). Any decision of the Board to fill a vacant board or committee position will be by majority vote. The Board will use the following factors with no particular order of preference as guidance in its deliberations:

- The individual's stated reasons for volunteering their time and their willingness to commit to the position.
- The individual's background, qualifications, and experience relevant to the particular position for which they are applying.
- The individual's objectives and goals for the position and whether these are consistent with that of the board or committee for which they are applying.
- If the board or committee is related to a town department (e.g., recreation, library, etc.), whether the individual's vision is consistent and/or compatible with the town employee(s) who heads and/or staff that department.
- To the extent practicable, the Board may seek to balance committee and board appointments with individuals who have diverse opinions.
- Recognizing that there will be instances in which the number of applicants exceed the number of vacant positions, the Board may give priority to appointing someone who has yet to volunteer on a town board or committee over reappointing someone who has already served for at least two terms.

June 30, 2023

To: Brentwood Conservation Commission
Brentwood Selectboard

From: Norma Fuller

To the Brentwood Conservation Commission and Brentwood Selectboard:

I decided to inquire about putting a conservation easement on my property back in the fall of 2021, and back then I talked with Jeremy Lougee of SELT to learn more about the process. My project was brought to the Conservation Commission at their May 4, 2022 meeting for evaluation. That was a couple of months after the March 2022 town meeting where the town had voted to approve the \$3 million open space bond.

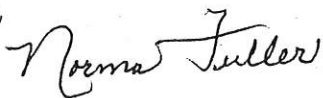
I had another meeting in July 2022 with the Conservation Commission chair Bob Stephens and Jeremy Lougee, where we discussed what terms would be in the easement. The discussion was mostly about giving permission for access to hunters. The Conservation Commission ended up agreeing that my property was promising enough that they voted to pay for an appraisal, which was completed in January of 2023. Since I never heard anything more from the Commission, I assumed that they had decided not to go ahead with my project, although I never heard that from them.

At the June 20, 2023 selectboard meeting there was an update from the Conservation Commission about the progress of conserving property using the \$3 million dollar bond money. Mr. Young, the chairman, described three properties that were in line to be evaluated and said that the Conservation Commission declined to proceed on one of them. I assume this was my project.

But the two reasons that were given at that selectboard meeting for the Conservation Commission declining my project were that 1) there were problems with public access and that 2) it was farmland. Since the warrant article for the \$3 million open space bond says that the top two priorities for easement projects are to "protect wildlife habitat and water resources," I am concerned about these reasons. My property ranks very high in both of the top two priorities in the warrant article.

I want to request that my project be brought up for discussion at the next Conservation Commission meeting on July 12, 2023 and evaluated using the stated priorities of the open space bond. I would also like to request that discussions of my property be in public session, since I have been unable to learn what has been discussed about my property because of the Conservation Commission speaking about it only in non-public sessions which don't appear in the minutes.

Respectfully,



Norma Fuller