



**Town of Amherst
Town Council Meeting
Monday, March 9, 2020
6:00 p.m.
Town Room, Town Hall
4 Boltwood Avenue**

Minutes

Complete video is available online: <https://amherstmedia.org/content/amherst-town-council-march-9-2020>

1. Call to Order

President Griesemer declared the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Councilors present: Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, Steinberg, and Swartz.

Councilors absent: None

Councilors participating remotely: None

Others present: Town Manager Paul Bockelman, Police Chief Scott Livingstone, Fire Captain Jeff Olmstead, Superintendent of Public Works Guilford Mooring, and Clerk of the Council Athena O'Keeffe.

President Griesemer announced audio and video recording by Amherst Media.

2. Announcements

President Griesemer made the following announcements:

Joint meetings of Town Council and School Committee to fill School Committee Vacancy, Town Room, Town Hall:

- Tuesday, April 14, 6:00 p.m. – Candidate interviews
- Thursday, April 16, 6:00 p.m. – Continued candidate interviews, if needed, and joint Council and School Committee vote to select a candidate

Tuesday, March 10 at 10:00 a.m. Tibet Day Flag Raising and Ceremony on the steps of Town Hall

Upcoming Council meeting dates: March 23 and April 6

5. Proclamations and Commemorations

a. Tibet Day Proclamation and Flag Raising

President of the Regional Tibetan Association of Massachusetts Thundup Tsering spoke about the occupation and current conditions in Tibet, and local and regional efforts to bring attention to the human rights violations in and occupation of Tibet.

Councilor Ryan reported that Governance, Organization, and Legislation Committee voted the proclamation clear, consistent, and actionable.

MOTION: Councilor De Angelis moved, second by Councilor Bahl-Milne, to adopt the “2020 Amherst Tibet Day Proclamation – As Voted at GOL 2020-02-26 – clean.” as presented.

VOTED 12-0 (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Steinberg, and Swartz voted Yes; Councilor Schreiber was absent) to adopt the “2020 Amherst Tibet Day Proclamation – As Voted at GOL 2020-02-26 – clean.” as presented.

6. Presentations and Discussion

a. School Committee Vacancy Process and Suggested Interview Questions

President Griesemer explained that the proposed questions in the packet from Councilors will be discussed by the School Committee chair and the Council President, the President will bring proposed questions back to the full Council.

Agenda item 4. General Public Comment

Meg Gage, Amherst resident of District one and previous Charter Commission Member, spoke about a memo written by Councilor Hanneke regarding meaningful participation and public input.

7. Action Items

a. Consent Agenda

MOTION: Councilor Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, to move the following items, and the printed motions thereunder and approve those items as a single unit:

- 7.e. To suspend Town Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.4 for agenda item 7.e. Audit Engagement Letter
- 7.e. To authorize the Town Council President to execute the Audit Engagement Letter, indicating acknowledgement of, and agreement with, the arrangements for Melanson Heath’s audit of the Town’s financial statements and compliance over major federal award programs for FY 2020, as recommended by the Finance Committee.
- 10.a. Approval of February 24, 2020 Town Council Meeting minutes, as presented

VOTED unanimously to move the following items, and the printed motions thereunder and approve those items as a single unit:

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- 10.a. Approval of February 24, 2020 Town Council Meeting minutes, as presented/amended

Agenda item 7.c. Open Containers Bylaw Amendment – Second Read, Charter Sec. 2.10(a)

Councilor Ross spoke about the proposed bylaw and mentioned the letters of support the Council has received regarding the bylaw.

Councilor Pam expressed concerns about the bylaw and the ramifications of open containers in parks and open spaces.

Doug Slaughter, Chair of the Board of License Commissioners, spoke about a letter from the board to the Council about how the Town might proceed in promulgating regulations regarding open containers.

Councilor Schoen spoke about the level of guidance that should be written into the bylaw.

Councilors discussed potential licensing protocols, processes and constraints that would be put in place by the Board of License Commissioners for events in public places.

Councilor Schreiber arrived at 6:30 p.m.

MOVED: Councilor Ryan moved, second by Councilor Ross, to amend General Bylaw 3.17: Open Containers of Alcohol, by adding the words “unless a license therefor has previously been secured from the Board of License Commissioners” so that the bylaw reads:

No person shall consume any alcoholic beverage nor possess or transport any open can, bottle, or other container containing any alcoholic beverage, outdoors on any town street, sidewalk, way, or public property including parking lots, parks, school playgrounds, recreation areas, and conservation areas, unless a license therefor has previously been secured from the Board of License Commissioners.

Councilor Ryan spoke in favor of the motion.

Councilor Schoen moved to add “that conforms to protocols that have been developed to govern licenses.” The motion died due to lack of a second.

VOTED 10-1-2 (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Ross, Ryan, Steinberg, and Swartz voted Yes; Councilor Schoen voted No; Councilors Pam and Schreiber Abstained) to amend General Bylaw 3.17: Open Containers of Alcohol, by adding the words “unless a license therefor has previously been secured from the Board of License Commissioners” so that the bylaw reads:

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Agenda item 3. Hearings

a. 6:30 p.m. Public Hearing on Proposed Parking Regulation Changes to Lincoln Avenue

President Griesemer outlined the Council’s authority in regulating the public ways, and the steps taken by the Town to inform residents and abutters of the public hearing.

Superintendent of Public Works Guilford Mooring outlined the proposed changes to the regulations on Lincoln Avenue, and the rationale of the proposed changes.

Questions from Councilors:

Councilor Hanneke stated that the Downtown Parking Working Group report disagrees with the proposed changes. Asked for clarification of if the west side of Amity and Elm is a no parking zone. G. Mooring responded that it is a no parking zone; there is a high incidence of sign theft.

Councilor Swartz asked about people parking on the west side of Lincoln.

Councilor Schreiber stated that we need more of a guideline of what is an acceptable width of a street with parking on one or both sides.

Councilor Schoen commented that if we restrict parking on Lincoln, people may park more on Sunset Avenue. Police Chief Scott Livingstone responded that that could happen. G. Mooring added that Sunset is not a preferred travel route to campus.

Councilor Hanneke asked how to determine what constitutes a safety issue, as there are other streets that are impassable with cars parked on both sides. G. Mooring agreed that parking issues change constantly when students come and go.

Councilor De Angelis took issue with G. Mooring's statement that high school students parking in neighborhoods is a "nicer" problem. G. Mooring explained that high school student drivers do not appear in masse, but become drivers through the year.

President Griesemer asked the Council to restrict the discussion to the proposed changes.

Councilor Steinberg echoed Councilor Schreiber's comment about the width of streets, and that there are narrower streets with differing regulations, and spoke in favor of a committee creating a set of broader based standards to judge this and other streets.

Fire Captain Jeff Olmstead spoke about the width needed to maneuver fire trucks and public safety vehicles around corners.

Councilor Schreiber asked about restricting parking for a short period, like 8-10 a.m.

Councilor De Angelis commented about special treatment of residents versus working class students and workers.

Public asking questions:

An Amherst resident who lives at the bottom of Gaylord Street asked about restricting parking on one side of the street and installing speed bumps.

Jim Barna, Amherst resident of 34 Dana Place and UMass employee, asked if the Council would consider the rights of people who use this resource, and refrain from discriminating against students and employees.

Matea Cramer, Amherst resident of East Pleasant Street asked about banning parking in a "hot spot" between Elm and McClellan Streets.

Anik Purer, Amherst resident of Gaylord Street, asked if the Council will consider speed bumps and suggested installing a traffic light at the corner of Lincoln and Amity.

Julian, a young Amherst resident, asked if there is a rule about parking in proximity to an intersection.

Rick Pelletier, Amherst resident of Lincoln Avenue, asked if the Council knows how many children live on Lincoln Ave.

Public speaking in favor:

David Slovitor, Amherst resident of 194 Lincoln Avenue, spoke in favor of the proposal.

Nancy Gilbert, Amherst resident of 166 Lincoln Avenue, spoke about safety concerns and delivery vehicles.

Julian, a young Amherst resident, spoke in support of fixing the issue on Lincoln as well as fixing similar issues on many other streets in Amherst.

Frank Meyers, Amherst resident of Lincoln Avenue, spoke about safety concerns regarding the volume of traffic, the width of the street, and ambulances maneuvering on the street.

Louise Reilly, Amherst resident of Lincoln Avenue, spoke about her frustration with the speed of cars on her section of Lincoln Avenue.

Bruce Wilcox, Amherst resident of 191 Lincoln Avenue, spoke in support of the proposed changes.

Anick Pourer, Amherst resident of Gaylord Street, commented about noise.

David Ratner, Amherst resident of 199 Lincoln Avenue, witnessed a fire truck stuck turning off Amity onto Lincoln.

Dale Peterson, Amherst resident of 234 Lincoln Avenue, spoke about safety concerns on Lincoln between Route 9 and McClellan Street, and asked that the Council not delay action.

Rick Pelletier, Amherst resident of 160 Lincoln Avenue, spoke about people parking in front of fire hydrants and who are not ticketed, and stated that the number of accidents per year on Lincoln equal the number of children living on the street.

Public speaking in opposition:

Matea Cramer, Amherst resident of East Pleasant Street, commented about Amherst being the kind of Town that give homeowners special treatment.

Jim Barna, Amherst resident of 34 Dana Place, suggested ways of mitigating traffic without losing parking, such as restricting commercial vehicles on the street, and adding a four-way stop at Amity and Lincoln. J. Barna spoke in opposition to removing free parking.

Fletcher Clark, Amherst resident of East Pleasant Street, spoke in opposition to the proposed changes.

Sue Crouse, Amherst resident of Lincoln Avenue, spoke about parking as a resource, and displacing the problem onto neighbors will not solve problems. S. Crouse spoke in opposition to the proposal.

Questions from Councilors:

Councilor Brewer asked how to prevent parking in front of fire hydrants and too close to driveways. Chief Livingstone responded that outside the Town center, ticketing is by complaint and no parking areas in front of fire hydrants are not clearly marked.

Councilor Schreiber stated that in order to slow traffic, allow parking on Lincoln. Bicycles are permitted on the sidewalk outside of the Town center. The speed bumps are a problem for bikes when cars veer around them. If there is an emergency on Lincoln, cars will find a way of getting out of the way. Public safety is over-thought.

Councilor Ross asked about alternatives to the proposed changes; suggested making Lincoln and Sunset opposite one-way streets. The average speed of 19 MPH when the posted limit is 30 MPH appears to be a direct result of the parked cars on the street. Chief Livingstone responded that he does not believe there is a speeding problem on Lincoln, eliminating parking may create a speed issue.

G. Mooring spoke about past analysis of the Lincoln-Amity intersection and how it was dealt with in other neighborhoods near the university. Residents did not want to make the streets one way.

Councilor De Angelis asked about the benefit of making the end of Lincoln a dead end.

Councilor Pam asked why the University does not make cheaper parking further from campus.

Councilor De Angelis stated that it boils down to only residents be accommodated versus people who come to Town for other reasons.

Councilor Hanneke asked about the purpose of regulating parts of Lincoln differently. G. Mooring spoke about the establishment of resident and downtown parking permits.

Councilor Schoen suggested making cheaper lots for commuters.

Councilor Pam commented about the age of the data presented, commented about new buildings with no parking, and spoke in opposition to a Town wide parking plan.

Councilor Schreiber asked about speeding on Lincoln if parking is removed. Chief Livingstone stated that he expects speeding will increase if parking is eliminated. G. Mooring added that the traffic counter was placed in a section with no parking on either side of the street, and that speeds would likely be higher at sections of the street with parked cars.

Councilor Swartz asked about the danger of cars parking near hydrants, and suggested painting curbs to indicate no parking areas. Captain Olmstead responded that accidents happen when vehicles are maneuvering close to parked vehicles; painting around hydrants is a good idea.

Councilor Schreiber asked about speeds in zones where cars are parked. G. Mooring responded that when the Town owns more traffic counters, we will be able to collect more data.

Councilor Brewer stated that if the Council were to accept the changes, when would signage change and see actual changes. G. Mooring responded that it would be about a month to install signs.

Councilor Hanneke asked if the Fire Dept. and EMS use Lincoln as a cut through. Captain Olmstead responded that the Fire Dept. does use Lincoln as a cut through.

MOTION: Councilor De Angelis moved, second by Councilor Bahl-Milne, to close the public hearing.

VOTED 11-1-1 (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, and Swartz voted Yes; Councilor Steinberg voted No; Councilor Pam Abstained)

Agenda item 7. Action Items

a. Proposed Parking Regulation Changes to Lincoln Avenue – *First Discussion, Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.4*

Councilor Hanneke spoke in favor of referring the proposal to the Town Services and Outreach Committee (TSO).

Councilor Brewer spoke about the issue of parking close to the intersections and spoke in favor taking action on those changes and referring the remaining changes to TSO.

Councilor Schoen echoed those concerns.

Councilors discussed approving changes to increase setbacks at intersections, recommendations numbered 1, 2, 3, and 7, and referring the remaining proposed changes, numbered 4, 5, and, 6.

MOTION: Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor Steinberg, to refer the following proposed parking regulation changes to the Town Services and Outreach Committee, with a report back to the Council within 90 days:

4. Parking prohibited as a tow zone Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, on the east side of Lincoln Avenue, from a distance of 200 feet north of Amity Street to 60 feet south of McClellan Street.

5. Parking prohibited as a tow zone Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, on the east side of Lincoln Avenue, from a distance of 60 feet north of McClellan Street to 30 feet south of Fearing St.
6. Parking prohibited as a tow zone, on the east side of Lincoln Avenue, from Fearing Street to North Hadley Road.

Councilors discussed the intention of the referral and expected outcome.

VOTED 9-4 (Councilors Bahl-Milne, Brewer, Griesemer, Hanneke, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Steinberg and Swartz voted Yes; Councilors De Angelis, DuMont, Pam, and Schreiber voted No) to refer the following proposed parking regulation changes to the Town Services and Outreach Committee, with a report back to the Council within 90 days:

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6. Parking prohibited as a tow zone, on the east side of Lincoln Avenue, from Fearing Street to North Hadley Road.

b. Finance Committee Charge – Second Discussion, Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.4

Councilor Ryan reported that Governance, Organization, and Legislation (GOL) Committee met with the Chair of the Finance Committee and reviewed changes to the proposed Finance Committee charge since the initial GOL recommendation. GOL voted 4-0, with one absent to declare the charge clear, consistent, and actionable.

MOTION: Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor De Angelis, to rescind the current Finance Committee charge and adopt the proposed Finance Committee charge, “Finance Charge – GOL Voted 2020-02-26 - Clean,” as presented, effective immediately.

MOTION Councilor Schoen moved, second by Councilor Pam, to add a new bullet to the Finance Committee charge under the budget and finances section that reads: “Review and make recommendations to the Town Council on matters related to the financial health of the Town of Amherst.”

Councilor Schoen spoke about other communities’ Finance Committees and other Council committee charges.

VOTED unanimously to add a new bullet to the Finance Committee charge under the budget and finances section that reads: “Review and make recommendations to the Town Council on matters related to the financial health of the Town of Amherst.”

VOTED unanimously to rescind the current Finance Committee charge and adopt the proposed Finance Committee charge, “Finance Charge – GOL Voted 2020-02-26 - Clean,” as amended, effective immediately.

c. Mullin Rule – Zoning Board of Appeals and Local Historic District Commission – First Discussion, Council Rules of Procedure rule 8.4

Town Manager Paul Bockelman spoke about the Mullin rule and the request for the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and Local Historic District Commission to authorize those bodies to utilize the rule.

Councilor Schoen spoke about the difficulty with the audio of the ZBA hearings, which are not recorded.

MOTION: Councilor Ross moved, second by Councilor Ryan, to suspend rule 8.4 for the current agenda item.

VOTED unanimously to suspend rule 8.4 for the current agenda item.

MOTION: President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, to accept, for the following boards, committees, or commissions holding adjudicatory hearing in the Town, the provisions of M.G.L. Ch.39, §23D, which provide that a member of a board, committee, or commission holding an adjudicatory hearing shall not be disqualified from voting in the matter solely due to the member's absence from one session of such hearing, provided that certain conditions as established by said statute are met:

- Zoning Board of Appeals
- Local Historic District Commission

VOTED unanimously to accept, for the following boards, committees, or commissions holding adjudicatory hearing in the Town, the provisions of M.G.L. Ch.39, §23D, which provide that a member of a board, committee, or commission holding an adjudicatory hearing shall not be disqualified from voting in the matter solely due to the member's absence from one session of such hearing, provided that certain conditions as established by said statute are met:

- Zoning Board of Appeals
- Local Historic District Commission

d. Bylaw Amendment Non-Criminal Disposition 2.2 – First Read, Charter Sec. 2.10(a)

Councilor Ryan reported that Governance, Organization, and Legislation Committee voted the bylaw amendment as clear, consistent, and actionable by a vote of 4-0.

e. Town Council Rules of Procedure Rules 8.2, 8.6, and 10.3 – First Discussion, Council Rules of Procedure rule 1.6

Councilor Ryan explained the changes are strictly housekeeping in replacing Outreach, Communications, and Appointments Committee references with Town Services and Outreach Committee.

8. Appointments

a. President Appointments

President Griesemer stated that Outreach, Communication, and Appointment Committee members will continue to serve until July, and Finance Committee members have already been appointed. Town Services and Outreach members will be polled for their next meeting time. Other appointments are detailed in the President's memo. All current committee members will meet one final time before new appointments take effect Monday March 16.

**b. Town Council Appointments
(2) Budget Coordinating Group**

MOTION: Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor Ryan, to approve the following Town Council appointments to the Budget Coordinating Group under Rules of Procedure Rule 10.6 Councilors Appointed to Committees Name in the Charter, effective immediately:

For a term to expire Jan 6, 2021:

- Lynn Griesemer
- Cathy Schoen

VOTED 12-0-1 (Councilors Bahl-Milne, De Angelis, DuMont, Griesemer, Hanneke, Pam, Ross, Ryan, Schoen, Schreiber, Steinberg, and Swartz voted Yes; Councilor Brewer abstained) to approve the following Town Council appointments to the Budget Coordinating Group under Rules of Procedure Rule 10.6 Councilors Appointed to Committees Name in the Charter, effective immediately:

For a term to expire Jan 6, 2021:

- Lynn Griesemer
- Cathy Schoen

(1) Council Liaisons to Town Committees

Councilor Ryan spoke about the majority of Councilors unwilling to serve as liaison.

MOTION: President Griesemer moved, second by Councilor Hanneke, to approve the following Town Council appointments of liaisons to Town Committees, under Rules of Procedure Rule 10.8 Councilors as Non-voting Liaisons, effective immediately:

For a term to expire on January 6, 2021:

- Affordable Housing Trust: Dorothy Pam
- Board of Health: George Ryan
- Board of License Commissioners: Alisa Brewer
- Community Preservation Act Committee: Cathy Schoen
- Council on Aging: Sarah Swartz
- Disabilities Access Committee: Pat De Angelis
- LSSE Commission: Sarah Swartz
- Transportation Advisory Committee: Darcy DuMont

VOTED: Unanimously to approve the following Town Council appointments of liaisons to Town Committees, under Rules of Procedure Rule 10.8 Councilors as Non-voting Liaisons, effective immediately:

For a term to expire on January 6, 2021:

- Affordable Housing Trust: Dorothy Pam
- Board of Health: George Ryan
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9. Committee Reports

- a. Community Resources Committee** – Councilor Hanneke reported that the committee is working on a comprehensive housing policy, a process for zoning bylaw changes that has been reviewed by the Planning Board, working on master plan update, and the Planning Board is working on a zoning bylaw change for voting quantum for special permits.
- b. Finance Committee** – Councilor Steinberg reported that Finance met with a representative from Melanson Heath. The Council voted to authorize the President to sign

the engagement letter and the Finance Committee will continue the previous Audit Committee's report of preparing an RFP for the following year's audit.

- c. **Governance, Organization and Legislation Committee** – Councilor Ryan reported that the committee is working on updates to the rules, considering consent agendas, and continues its work on referred bylaws. Councilors Schoen and DuMont asked about the timeline for bylaws that have been referred to the committee.
- d. **Joint Capital Planning Committee** – Councilor Schoen reported that the committee considered a resident proposal for solar panels on the parking lot or roof at the school. New procedure will be to hear all Town departments in one meeting in a consolidated proposal, next will meet with the Library and School departments.
- e. **Outreach, Communications, and Appointments Committee** – Councilor Ross reported that the committee is reviewing the community activity forms, and revisiting the topic of making them public documents. The committee voted the applicant pool for Zoning Board of Appeals to be sufficient to proceed to interviews and adopted selection guidance. The committee will develop interview questions with input from Councilors, and will share the interview date with the Council.
- f. **Percent for Art Bylaw Ad Hoc Committee**
- g. **Town Services and Outreach Committee**

10. Approval of Minutes – Consent Agenda

11. Town Manager Report

Town Manager Paul Bockelman highlighted the following items from the Town Manager Report:

- Upcoming Cup o' Joe with the Town Manager and Assistant Town Manager David Ziomek
- 2020 Census Complete Count Committee efforts
- Presidential Primary Election went smoothly, preparations are under way for the State Primary Election and Presidential Election in November
- 2nd quarter FY20 Budget Report is posted online, referenced by Councilor Steinberg in the Finance Committee report

P. Bockelman gave an update regarding the COVID-19 outbreak. The Town continues to monitor the situation. Fire Chief Tim Nelson, Health Director Julie Federman, Police Chief Livingstone, and Assistant Town Manager and Public Information Office David Ziomek are the core team.

Councilor Schreiber asked about Census counts for Amherst College students who are not returning from Spring Break. Clerk of the Council Athena O'Keeffe responded that the Complete Count Committee is working to ensure Amherst College resident data may be sent to the Census Bureau electronically rather than through the mail or in person.

Councilor DuMont asked about Amherst college students completing their semester remotely.

Councilor Ross commented about the economic impact of Amherst College and UMass both closing early. Councilor Ross asked about the status of the search for an economic development director. Councilor Brewer asked if the Town Services and Outreach committee would have been consulted if it were established. Councilor Hanneke asked about declaring a state of emergency to free up federal funds for small businesses. P. Bockelman responded that if the governor declares a state of emergency then will look to get our share of emergency funds at that point.

P. Bockelman spoke about the event over the weekend; there were more arrests made this year than in the recent past. Councilor Brewer asked about public releases so residents and visitors understand why there is such a big police presence in Town. Councilor Swartz noted that there was an obvious police presence

in her neighborhood on Meadow Street and the tone was jovial. Councilor Pam asked about the cancellation of a musical performance at the University.

12. Town Council Comments

- a. **President report** – President Griesemer asked for Councilor feedback regarding the retreat agenda.
- b. **Future agenda items**
- c. **Councilor comments**

13. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of the Meeting

15. Adjourn

MOTION: Councilor Hanneke moved, second by Councilor De Angelis, to adjourn the March 9, 2020 meeting of the Town Council.

VOTED unanimously to adjourn the March 9, 2020 meeting of the Town Council.

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 p.m. on March 9, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,



Athena O'Keefe

Clerk of the Council

Record of Agenda Packet Materials and Documents Presented

- 00. 03-09-2020 Draft Motions for Town Council
- 00. 03-09-2020 FINAL Town Council Agenda
- 3.a. Bulletin Board Notice of Public Hearing - Parking on Lincoln
- 3.a. Classified Ad Confirmation March 9 Public Hearing on Lincoln Ave Parking
- 3.a. Legal Ad March 9 Public Hearing on Lincoln Ave Parking Regs
- 3.a. Lincoln Ave maps - side by side existing and proposed regulations
- 3.a. Notice to Lincoln Ave Abutters
- 3.a. Public Commend Re Public Hearing on Lincoln Ave Regulations 3-7 to 3-9
- 3.a. Public Comment Re Public Hearing on Lincoln Ave Regulations 2-14 through 3-6
- 3.a. Public Way - Lincoln Avenue 02-05-2020 Updated 03-05-2020
- 5.a. 2020 Amherst Tibet Day Proclamation - As Voted at GOL 2020-02-26
- 5.a. 2020 Amherst Tibet Day Proclamation - As Voted at GOL 2020-02-26 - clean
- 5.a. 7.d. 7.g. 7.h. 2020-03-09 GOL Report to Town Council
- 6.a. Final Notice of Vacancy - School Committee
- 6.a. Memo(3) re Vacancy and attached documents 3-8-2020
- 7.b. Public Way - Lincoln Avenue 02-05-2020 Attachment B
- 7.b. Public Way - Lincoln Avenue 02-05-2020 Attachment C
- 7.b. Public Way - Lincoln Avenue 02-05-2020 w Attachment A
- 7.c. Amendment to General Bylaws 3.17 - OPEN CONTAINERS OF ALCOHOL
- 7.d. Finance Charge - GOL Voted 2020-02-26 - Clean
- 7.d. Finance Charge Revised by Finance Committee 2.25.2020 Track change as amended by GOL
- 7.e. 20 Eng Ltr - Amherst - final to client

7.f. MGL Ch 39 Sec 23D - Mullin Rule
7.f. Mullin Memo to Town Council 03-04-2020
7.f. ZBA - Mullins Rule Exception Affidavit
7.g. BLC Regulations Memo to TC-2020-02-27
7.g. Proposed Bylaw Revision - 2.2.B Noncriminal Disposition - 2020-02-26
7.h. Council Rules 8.2, 8.4, 10.3 - Draft Revisions - GOL Voted 2020-02-26
10.a. 02-24-2020 DRAFT Town Council Minutes
11. Town Manager Report 03-09-2020
2020 Mar Lincoln Ave Parking Changes
2nd quarter FY20 Budget Report
Board of License Commissioners Letter Re Open Containers
Finance Committee Presentation 2-25-20
Finance Committee report 3.9.20
Memo regarding Town Council Appointments by President to Standing Committees - 3-9-2020
(Corrected)
Memorandum on Standing Committees appointed by Council 3-9-2020
Memorandum re Liaisons 3-9-2020
Suggested Questions for School Committee Candidates