



**Town of Amherst
Special Meeting of the Town Council
Tuesday, May 18, 2021 4:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting
Minutes**

1. Call to Order

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

Councilors Absent: None

Others Participating Remotely: Town Manager Paul Bockelman, Clerk of the Council Athena O’Keeffe, and KP Law Attorneys Lauren Goldberg and Gregg Corbo

After confirming all participants could hear and be heard, President Griesemer declared the presence of a quorum, called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m., and announced audio and video recording.

Note: Pursuant to Governor Baker’s March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, this meeting of the Town Council was conducted via remote participation.

2. Executive Session

- a. [MGL c.30A §21(a) 3] To discuss strategy with respect to litigation: case number 2180CV00043 Gray, Carol et al vs. Susan Audette in her capacity Acting Town Clerk; as an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body.

MOTION: Griesemer moved, second by Ross, to convene in executive session under MGL c.30A§21(a) 3, to discuss strategy with respect to litigation: case number 2180CV00043 Gray, Carol et al vs. Susan Audette in her capacity Acting Town Clerk; I declare that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body; the Town Council will not reconvene in open session following the executive session.

VOTED unanimously, 13-0, by roll call to convene in executive session under MGL c.30A§21(a) 3, to discuss strategy with respect to litigation: case number 2180CV00043 Gray, Carol et al vs. Susan Audette in her capacity Acting Town Clerk; the chair having declared that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the body; the Town Council will not reconvene in open session following the executive session.

3. Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the President 48 Hours in Advance of the meeting

4. Adjourn

The Town Council entered executive session at 4:07 p.m. on May 18, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Athena O'Keeffe".

Athena O'Keeffe

Clerk of the Council

Record of Agenda Packet Materials and Documents Presented

00. 05-18-2021 FINAL Special Town Council Meeting