

**HYBRID SELECTBOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023
AGENDA
SENIOR CENTER MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
6:30 P.M.**

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Draft Minutes of May 16, 2023
- 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS / PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 4. CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. One-Day Beer & Wine License request from David Capriati for June 22, 2023.
- 5. TRI-ANNUAL INTERVIEWS**
 - A. Nancy Wood – Historic District Study Committee, Historical Commission (In person)
 - B. Melissa Taylor Dresler - Historic District Study Committee, Historical Commission (In person)
 - C. Denise Presley – Town Meeting Review Committee (Virtual)
 - D. Anthony James Dart II – Commission on Disabilities, COA (In person)
 - E. Geraldine de Berly – Cultural Council, Historical Commission (In person)
 - F. Linda Young – Bylaw Review Committee (In person)
 - G. Meghan Bristol – Town Meeting Review Committee (Virtual)
- 6. PUBLIC HEARING 7 p.m. - CDBG Performance Hearing (John O’Leary virtual)**
- 7. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Room tax
 - B. ARPA – Judd Brook
 - C. Selectboard Summer Meeting schedule
- 8. OLD BUSINESS**
- 9. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**
- 10. ADJOURN**

SELECTBOARD MEETING MOTIONS
June 6, 2023

MINUTES

- A. I move to accept the draft minutes of May 16, 2023.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. I motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

- B. I motion to approve \$2.2 million in ARPA funds for the Judd Brook interceptor project.

ADJOURN

- A. I move to adjourn.

**HYBRID SELECTBOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
SENIOR CENTER LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM
7:30 P.M.**

Present in person were Chair Andrea Miles, Vice Chair Carol Constant, member Jeff Cyr, member Renee Sweeney, clerk Nicole Casolari, and Town Administrator Lisa Wong.

CALL TO ORDER

Miles called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

MINUTES

Cyr moved to accept the draft minutes of May 2, 2023. Sweeney seconded. All in favor. Unanimous.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The South Hadley Music Parents Association is holding an e-waste drive on May 20.

CONSENT AGENDA

Sweeney motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented. Cyr seconded. All in favor. Unanimous.

The consent agenda consisted of multiple one-day Beer & Wine License requests from Larry Dubois for May 19, 26, June 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30 at Buttery Brook Park, One-Day Beer & Wine License request from Margaret Boxold for May 20 at MHC, Multiple One-Day Beer & Wine License requests from Karen Franz for June 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12 & 13 at Chapin Hall, Multiple One-Day Beer & Wine License requests from Bridget Carroll for June 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 21 & 22 at Chapin Hall, and a one-day Beer & Wine License request from Jeff Millard for June 9 at Gaylord Library.

TRI-ANNUAL INTERVIEWS

The board interviewed Marion Canning, Eleanor Small and Mary Jane Else for the Tree Committee, historical Commission and Sustainability & Energy Commission, respectively.

SEWER USE WARRANT

Constant motioned to approve the sewer use fee warrant for the billing date of April 1, 2023 in the amount of \$1,221,080. Cyr seconded. All in favor. Unanimous.

ARPA REQUEST

Wong discussed potential ARPA requests of \$10-20k for a needs assessment and \$40-50k for a security assessment in anticipation of a future formal request.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

The board discussed the importance of the citizen of the year award following the news the Lions Club is disbanding. The board endorsed the town continuing with the award.

TOWN MEETING REVIEW

Wong and the board discussed informally reviewing town meeting annually after each May meeting to reflect on and potentially improve the process, separately from the Town Meeting Review Committee.

PUBLIC BUILDING CODE OF CONDUCT

The board discussed how the current code of conduct works in conjunction with the current Selectboard policies and other policies around conduct.

TA ROLLOVER WEEK

Sweeney moved to allow the town administrator to roll over up to 40 hours of vacation from Fiscal Year 2023 to Fiscal Year 2024. Cyr second. All favor.

FY25 BUDGET PLANNING

Planning for the FY25 budget is underway with a focus on citizen engagement and input.

QUARTERLY BUDGET REPORT

Wong discussed the Statement of Expenditures vs Appropriations Report from Town Accountant William Sutton.

RESIGNATION

Constant motioned to accept the resignation of Kevin McCaffrey from the Master Plan Implementation Committee. Cyr seconded. All favor. Unanimous.

ADJOURN

Cyr motioned to adjourn. Constant seconded. All in favor. Unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED
Kristin Maher
Executive Assistant to Administration



OD-93

1 Day Alcohol License

Status: Active

Date Created: Jun 2, 2023

Applicant Email

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED AT LEAST TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE OF AN EVENT. APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED LESS THAN TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR REVIEW BY THE SELECTBOARD.

Permit Info

Permit For

1 Day Beer and Wine

Check This Box If Event(s) Is/Are Being Held On Town Property



Check this box to acknowledge that individual applicants can be approved for up to 30 permits per year.



Event Details

Date of Event

06/22/2023

Name or Organization Hosting Event

Dowd insurance

Provide a Detailed Description of What The Event Is

Company picnic

Street Address of Where The Event is Held

123 Willimantic St., South Hadley

Hours of Operation (Ex. 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM)

12 pm 6 pm

Are you a Town Meeting Member?	No
Is any of your immediate family employed by the Town of South Hadley?	No
Do you now or have you previously served in town government?	Yes
If yes, please list the board(s), commission(s), or committee(s) on which you serve(d), and the dates of service for each.	Town meeting member in Amherst MA for 5 years
What skills and experience do you have? (Knowledge, other volunteer experience, employment experience, etc.)	I currently volunteer at the Fire House Museum and Neighbor helping Neighbor food pantry. I am a retired accountant.
Please list any additional information you think may be helpful in reviewing your application.	I am very interested in local history. I grew up in the Falls and I would love to maintain the character our our town and educate people on the richness of the history in this area
How did you learn of the vacancy you are applying for?	Another Resident
If you indicated another resident or other above, please provide the resident's name or provide additional details.	Diane LaRoche made me aware of the application process and possible vacancies on the Historical Commission and Historical Study Commission. She thought with my interest in local history I would be a good fit for any openings on these commissions.
Upload a Letter of Interest	<i>Field not completed.</i>

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April 22, 2023

Town of South Hadley
Boards and Commissions

To whom it may concern,

I would be honored to be considered for the open position on the South Hadley Historical Commission.

I moved to South Hadley in August 2021, having graduated from Smith College in Northampton, MA in 1992. I also have a daughter who is loving her time as a student at Mount Holyoke College.

I love South Hadley and am proud to be part of an historical area (my home shows up on a map as early as 1890). I am passionate about preserving and promoting the history, culture, architecture, and historical heritage of the town.

I have a background in science, environment and diplomacy. I have worked at the United Nations on climate negotiations and in Washington DC in scientific assessment of climate change. I have also served on the Board of the Kentucky Conservation Committee, looking at legislation on a state level. Additionally, I have volunteered in animal rescue, served on various PTAs, and as block captain in my neighborhood. I am passionate about history, architecture, landscaping, gardening, and historical preservation.

I promise to work diligently with the Commission on all efforts to preserve and protect the historical heritage of the town. I appreciate your consideration.

Warm regards,

Melissa Taylor Dresler

4 Grant St.
South Hadley MA 01075



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Sat, Apr 22, 2023 at 7:22 PM

To: sgmeiner@southhadleyma.gov, kmaher@southhadleyma.gov, ljacobs@southhadleyma.gov, zingram@southhadleyma.gov

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Committees

Before the Selectboard or other appointing authority makes appointments, they would like to know a little about you and why you feel you could contribute to the board or committee. Please take a few minutes and complete the brief expression of interest information below and click submit to send your application for consideration.

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Choose up to TWO From the Following Historical Commission

List your board or committee choices here in the order of preference. If you selected "Other" above, please indicate which board or committee to which you wish to apply. Historical Commission

Please give any details regarding your interest in this appointment. I have lived in South Hadley Falls since 2021 and am very interested in the history of South Hadley and in safeguarding the history, architecture, and heritage of the town. In addition to the Historical Commission, please call on me if I can serve in any other committees or capacities.

Please Provide the Following Information

Name Melissa Taylor Dresler

Email

Address1 4 Grand St.

Address2 *Field not completed.*

City South Hadley

State MA

Zip 01075

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone *Field not completed.*

Cell Phone: *Field not completed.*

General Questions

Are you a registered voter in the Town of South Hadley?	Yes
Are you a Town Meeting Member?	No
Is any of your immediate family employed by the Town of South Hadley?	No
Do you now or have you previously served in town government?	No
What skills and experience do you have? (Knowledge, other volunteer experience, employment experience, etc.)	I have worked nationally and internationally on conservation and environment to include the United Nations and the federal government. On the state level, I served on the board of the Kentucky Conservation Committee. I have authored many works on science, environment, and conservation. I attended Smith College in Northampton, MA and the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts. I have also been a volunteer and foster home for animal rescue groups, PTA vice president, school treasurer, block captain, etc.
Please list any additional information you think may be helpful in reviewing your application.	I live in South Hadley Falls and am very interested in preserving and promoting the history, culture, architecture, and heritage of the town. I am passionate about building community and giving back to this town in whatever way possible.
How did you learn of the vacancy you are applying for?	Another Resident
If you indicated another resident or other above, please provide the resident's name or provide additional details.	Bob Judge
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Denise L. Presley, Esq.

Current Employer-Title Presley Law – Attorney

Profession Alternative Dispute Resolution Professional; Attorney at Law

Work History Commissioner, South Hadley Municipal Electric Light Department, 2021-Present;
Attorney/Arbitrator, Presley Law, 2008-Present;
Hearing Officer, Massachusetts Board of Bar Overseers, 2016;
Sole Practitioner, Denise L. Presley, PLLC, 2002–2010;
Commercial Real Estate Attorney, The Brockmann Law Firm, P.C., 2005-2011;
Adjunct Faculty, Kings College, 2005;
Contract Attorney, Bank of America, 2005;
Attorney, Volunteer Lawyers Project, 2002-2005 and 2021;
In-house Counsel, Atlantic Credit Corp., 2002–2004;
Law Clerk, Charles Platto, PLC, 2001;
Law Clerk, US EPA, 1999;
Adjunct Faculty, Indiana University, 1995-1997;
Adjunct Faculty, Lewis University, 1996-1997;
Broker/Owner, ERA Prescor, 1994-1997;
President, PRESCOR Real Estate, 1993-1998;
Salesperson, Coldwell Banker RE, 1991-1993;
Manager, JMB Realty Corp., 1989-1991;
Employee Relations/HR Officer, First Chicago Corp., 1985-1989;
Managing Partner, Presley, Robinson & Associates, 1985-1997;
EEO/AA Manager/Corporate Trainer, Montgomery Ward & Co., 1978-1985;
Assistant Deputy Director, Illinois FEPC, 1977-1997;
EEO Compliance Manager, Jim Walter Corp., 1977;
Affirmative Action Officer, Illinois Department of Corrections, 1975-1976;
Investigator/Supervisor, Illinois FEPC, 1973-1974.

Experience

- Managing pre-hearing conferences and issuing orders related to scheduling matters.
- Presiding over quasi-judicial hearings to adjudicate disputes in-person and/or remotely pursuant to the tribunal's rules, the FAA and federal rules of evidence.
- Drafting written decisions containing factual findings and legal conclusions supported by legal research and applications of law.
- Deciding substantive and procedural pre and post hearing motions.
- Working independently with limited administrative support.
- Complying with highest ethical standards of the bar and tribunals

Denise L. Presley, Esq.
Neutral ID : 152171

Alternative Dispute Resolution Experience

Professional Summary

Have been engaged in the practice of law for over 20 years. Skilled both in transactional law and civil litigation. As a dispute resolution professional since 2001, have developed insight into the wide array of legal and practical issues that impact efficient resolution. Have served as chair, sole arbitrator, and panelist under the rules of AAA, FINRA, BBB, private party agreements, and as a court-appointed conciliator.

Practice Areas in Transactional Law:

Commercial real property contracts (drafting and review), Title certification, Closing Attorney, Business Formations and Tax Credit Partnership Agreements (negotiation), AIA Construction Contracts, Mixed Financing for Affordable and Low Income Housing Tax Credit Transactions (construction loans, perm debt, tax credit investors, municipal bonds), Commercial Property Insurance Coverage and Exclusions, Environmental Law (water, CERCLA, Brownfield covenants, Noise and Indoor Pollution Torts), Industrial Real Estate Development (bio-fuels), Foreclosure of Secured Debt, Eminent Domain, Managing Member Employment Contracts, Zoning Variances, Land Use, Environmental, Commercial Landlord /Tenant Leases.

Arbitration Cases:

Contracts

In multiple industries, matters involving breach, fraud, misrepresentations / warranties, business to business disputes, auto manufacturing defects, retail installment contracts, debt collection, telecommunications agreements, enforceability of construction and employment contracts, insurance and annuity benefits, sales and leases of real property, software design & development. Enforcement of Lemon Laws and Magnuson-Moss Warranty claims, and various consumer protection statutes.

Securities

Numerous securities related disputes on behalf of FINRA (Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and its predecessor National Association of Securities Dealers) as panel chair and member, sole arbitrator and the interlocutory panel for claims brought by customers over financial investment losses, warranties/representations/suitability/churning, mortgage-backed securities, hedge fund claims, junk bonds; and disputes between dealer-brokerage firms, and financial advisors (registered representatives) with broker dealers.

Employment

Wrongful termination of employment contracts, violations of state/federal discrimination statutes, the application of state unfair and deceptive trade practices statutes, interpretation of provisions in personnel manuals in hospitals and institutions of higher education. Also arbitrated claims of sex, age, disability, gender, race discrimination and sexual harassment; Board of Director's disputes

Denise L. Presley, Esq.
Neutral ID : 152171

The AAA provides arbitrators to parties on cases administered by the AAA under its various Rules, which delegate authority to the AAA on various issues, including arbitrator appointment and challenges, general oversight, and billing. Arbitrations that proceed without AAA administration are not considered "AAA arbitrations," even if the parties were to select an arbitrator who is on the AAA's Roster.

with senior nonprofit executives; non-compete, non-solicit, and trade secret disputes; theft of corporate opportunity; medical practice disputes among partners and employees.

Real Estate

Developer services agreements, commercial leases, land use, zoning, title, condominium board assessments, facility siting, easements, LIHTC and HUD regulations; auction company listing agreements, and brokerage/ sales commissions.

Construction

Disputes between general contractors, subcontractors, architects, engineers, insurance; retail and mixed-use development (residential and commercial) with property owners over provisions in contract provisions, mechanics liens, workmanship and warranties.

Court-Annexed Conciliation

In court sponsored pro bono programs, mediated civil disputes concerning landlord tenant disputes over rent offsets, holdovers and exclusivity. Representing pro-se litigants (Federal Bar Association Massachusetts Chapter's Pro Se Mediation Program).

Professional Licenses

Admitted to the Bar: North Carolina (2005), Massachusetts, (2002); U.S. District Court: District of Massachusetts
Massachusetts Real Estate Broker (2014-)

Professional Associations

American Arbitration Association, Commercial Arbitrator (2003 – Present)
Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Public Arbitrator (2001 – Present)
Federal Bar Association, MA Chapter Pro Se Mediation Program (2017– Present)
MA Board of Bar Overseers, Hearing Officer (2016 – 2016)
U.S. Council of Better Business Bureaus, Arbitrator (2006 – 2015)(2020- Present)
South Hadley Electric Light Department, Commissioner (2022- Present)

Education

- Vermont Law School (JD-2001)
- McGill University Faculties' of Law (Exchange Student -2000)
- Purdue University (Post- graduate behavioral science statistics, 1997-98)
- Sociology, Governors State University (MA-1973)
- Illinois State University (B.S., Economics-1972)

HCC Culinary Institute - National Restaurant Association, ServSafe Manager Certification (2022)

North Shore Community Mediation Center– Mediation Training 34-hr Certification (2003).

Citizenship Languages

United States of America
English

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Locale

Boston, Massachusetts, United States of America

Compensation

Hearing:	\$250.00/Hr
Study:	\$250.00/Hr
Travel:	\$100.00/Hr
Cancellation:	\$1800.00/Day
Cancellation Period:	1 Days
Comment:	Hourly rate applies to hearings, telephone conferences, study / preparation time, drafting orders/ awards, and cancellations (a fee equal to one 8 hr. day of arbitrator's hourly rate if a hearing is canceled with less than 2 business days' notice).

Maintains an office in Boston, Massachusetts. Willing to travel within the Northeast and Southeast regions.

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Thu, May 11, 2023 at 10:45 AM

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Choose up to TWO From the Other
Following

List your board or committee choices here in the order of preference. If you selected "Other" above, please indicate which board or committee to which you wish to apply.

Town Meeting Review Committee

Please give any details regarding your interest in this appointment.

I believe I have a unique background that would benefit the Committee's work. I'm not a Town Meeting member now, but I've served on TM previously, I currently serve on the SHELD Board, which has exposed me to the inner workings of a Town Department and state government. I'm a licensed attorney with experience in transactional, litigation and alternative dispute resolution law. I'm a homeowner, and I'm politically independent. Thank you for considering me. Denise Presley, 19 The Knolls, So Hadley, MA

Please Provide the Following Information

Name	Denise Presley
Email	[REDACTED]
Address1	Field not completed.
Address2	Field not completed.
City	Field not completed.
State	Field not completed.
Zip	Field not completed.
Primary Phone	[REDACTED]
Alternate Phone	Field not completed.

Cell Phone: *Field not completed.*

General Questions

Are you a registered voter in the Town of South Hadley? Yes

Are you a Town Meeting Member? No

Is any of your immediate family employed by the Town of South Hadley? No

Do you now or have you previously served in town government? Yes

If yes, please list the board(s), commission(s), or committee(s) on which you serve(d), and the dates of service for each. Town Meeting (2016 - 2018), Cable TV and Technology Committee (2016), Gaylord Library Bd of Trustees (2016), and SHELD (2021 - present).

What skills and experience do you have? (Knowledge, other volunteer experience, employment experience, etc.) Dakin Humane Society- Volunteer (2015- present), SHELD-MLB (2021- present), Gaylord Library Bd of Trustees (2016), SH Cable TV and Technology Comm (2016) Host- SHCTV ("Speaking of So Hadley, 2016), and SH Town Meeting (2016-2018).

Please list any additional information you think may be helpful in reviewing your application. I'm attaching a copy of my AAA profile, which is as detailed as applications for bar exams. :-)

How did you learn of the vacancy you are applying for? Town Website

If you indicated another resident or other above, please provide the resident's name or provide additional details. *Field not completed.*

Upload a Letter of Interest [AAA_Presley Resume \(Rev 2.14.23\).pdf](#)

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Fri, May 19, 2023 at 6:02 PM

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Choose up to TWO From the Commission on Disabilities, Council on Aging
 Following

List your board or committee Commission on Disabilities
 choices here in the order of Council on Aging
 preference. If you selected
 "Other" above, please
 indicate which board or
 committee to which you wish
 to apply.

Please give any details My interests in the Commission on Disabilities come from
 regarding your interest in this learned experience in the mental health field. To be of service
 appointment. to the community by investigating and implementing ways to
 improve and maintain services available for those with
 disabilities. To utilize resources for identifying and removing
 barriers, increasing opportunities and promoting community
 engagement. To also highlight and shore up systems that
 benefit those with disabilities.

Please Provide the Following Information

Name Anthony James Dart II

Email [REDACTED]

Address1 [125 Hadley Village Road](#)

Address2 *Field not completed.*

City South Hadley

State Massachusetts

Zip 01075

Primary Phone [REDACTED]

Alternate Phone *Field not completed.*

Cell Phone: *Field not completed.*

General Questions

Are you a registered voter in the Town of South Hadley? Not Sure

Are you a Town Meeting Member? No

Is any of your immediate family employed by the Town of South Hadley? No

Do you now or have you previously served in town government? No

What skills and experience do you have? (Knowledge, other volunteer experience, employment experience, etc.) Residential Counselor for ServiceNet 1 year. Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist for government 4 years. Family member was resident of the state.

Please list any additional information you think may be helpful in reviewing your application. I am passionate about advocating for those with disabilities. I volunteer by feeding the homeless in Springfield.

How did you learn of the vacancy you are applying for? Town Website

If you indicated another resident or other above, please provide the resident's name or provide additional details. *Field not completed.*

Upload a Letter of Interest *Field not completed.*

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DATE: May 20, 2023

TO: South Hadley Selectboard

FROM: Geraldine de Berly, Ph.D.
48 San Souci Drive
South Hadley, MA 01075

SUBJECT: Interest in appointments to 1) Cultural Council and/or 2) Historical Commission

Please accept this letter of interest as I seek involvement with the Town of South Hadley.

I have been living since 2017 but have not had time to participate in South Hadley affairs due to my work load; however, I'm about to retire and will have time to give attention to volunteer projects of interest. As I look at the activities and the funding for the Cultural Council and the Historical Commission, I believe I can contribute some ideas. For example, on the Cultural Council (and perhaps in collaboration with the Historical Commission), a South Hadley house/building and/or garden tour would be something that might garner broad South Hadley resident participation, draw some interest to the town and generate some funds. (These may well have been tried previously.) Prior to moving to Massachusetts, life, I was active in other local associations that focused on arts/crafts and architecture.

I have been in higher education administration for over 40 years. Responsible for large numbers of employees, developing and administering educational programs, secured necessary accreditations, written and overseen federal and state grants and multi-million dollar budgets. I volunteered in establishing a women's shelter, cultural groups representing underserved populations and worked with international populations from multiple countries.

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Sat, May 20, 2023 at 1:42 PM

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Choose up to TWO From the Following Cultural Council, Historical Commission

List your board or committee choices here in the order of preference. If you selected "Other" above, please indicate which board or committee to which you wish to apply.

Cultural Council
Historical Commission

Please give any details regarding your interest in this appointment.

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Please Provide the Following Information

Name Geraldine de Berly

Email

Address1 [48 San Souci Drive](#)

Address2 *Field not completed.*

City South Hadley

State MA

Zip 01075

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Cell Phone:	<i>Field not completed.</i>
General Questions	
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Are you a Town Meeting Member?	No
Is any of your immediate family employed by the Town of South Hadley?	No
Do you now or have you previously served in town government?	No
What skills and experience do you have? (Knowledge, other volunteer experience, employment experience, etc.)	I have been in higher education administration for over 40 years. Responsible for large numbers of employees, written and overseen federal and state grants and multi-million dollar budgets. Volunteered in establishing a women's shelter, cultural groups representing underserved populations and worked with international populations from multiple countries.
Please list any additional information you think may be helpful in reviewing your application.	<i>Field not completed.</i>
How did you learn of the vacancy you are applying for?	Newspaper
If you indicated another resident or other above, please provide the resident's name or provide additional details.	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Upload a Letter of Interest	South Hadley Volunteer LOI 5-20-23 de Berly.pdf

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Fri, Apr 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM

To: sgmeiner@southhadleyma.gov, kmaher@southhadleyma.gov, ljacobs@southhadleyma.gov, zingram@southhadleyma.gov

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Choose up to TWO From the Bylaw Review Committee
Following

List your board or committee By-law Review
choices here in the order of
preference. If you selected
"Other" above, please
indicate which board or
committee to which you wish
to apply.

Please give any details regarding your interest in this appointment. Have been a Town Meeting Member for over 50 years and feel that By-laws don't necessarily get the review that they need. Would like to serve on this Committee to assist others in doing such a review.

Please Provide the Following Information

Name	Linda Young
Email	[REDACTED]
Address1	15 Westbrook Road
Address2	Field not completed.
City	South Hadley
State	MA
Zip	01075
Primary Phone	[REDACTED]
Alternate Phone	Field not completed.
Cell Phone:	Field not completed.

General Questions

Are you a registered voter in the Town of South Hadley?	Yes
Are you a Town Meeting Member?	Yes
Is any of your immediate family employed by the Town of South Hadley?	No
Do you now or have you previously served in town government?	Yes
If yes, please list the board(s), commission(s), or committee(s) on which you serve(d), and the dates of service for each.	Selectboard 1991-1999 Council on Aging (prior to 1991 and then again in the 2000's Tree Committee - from its inception until 2021 Master Plan Implementation Committee Charter Commission Town Meeting Member for over 50 years can't think of others
What skills and experience do you have? (Knowledge, other volunteer experience, employment experience, etc.)	Knowledge of the Town Friends of Buttery Brook Park Girl Scouts Boy Scouts PTO's in three schools Friends of South Hadley Seniors GRO Community Garden
Please list any additional information you think may be helpful in reviewing your application.	<i>Field not completed.</i>
How did you learn of the vacancy you are applying for?	Email from Town of South Hadley
If you indicated another resident or other above, please provide the resident's name or provide additional details.	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Upload a Letter of Interest	<i>Field not completed.</i>

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Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment to Board, Commission, or Committee

noreply@civicplus.com <noreply@civicplus.com>

Tue, May 9, 2023 at 9:00 AM

To: sgmeiner@southhadleyma.gov, kmaher@southhadleyma.gov, ljacobs@southhadleyma.gov, zingram@southhadleyma.gov

Application for Appointment to Board, Commission, or Committee

Step 1

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Choose up to TWO From the Other
Following

List your board or committee choices here in the order of preference. If you selected "Other" above, please indicate which board or committee to which you wish to apply.

Town Meeting Review Committee

Please give any details regarding your interest in this appointment. *Field not completed.*

Please Provide the Following Information

Name Meghan Bristol

Email

Address1 [5 Marcel Street](#)

Address2 *Field not completed.*

City South Hadley

State MA

Zip 01075

Primary Phone

Field not completed.

Cell Phone: *Field not completed.*

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What skills and experience do you have? (Knowledge, other volunteer experience, employment experience, etc.)	Assistant City Solicitor for the City of Westfield
Please list any additional information you think may be helpful in reviewing your application.	<i>Field not completed.</i>
How did you learn of the vacancy you are applying for?	Other
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South Hadley Community Development Program

Public Hearing

June 6, 2023 7:00 P.M.

FY 2020 Community Development Block Grant: Performance Hearing

Activities funded through CDBG Program:	
Housing Rehabilitation Assistance Program	<p>The Housing Rehabilitation Program provides deferred payment loans for repair/replacement of basic building systems, lead and hazardous material abatement, removal of architectural barriers, and corrections to sanitary and building code violations.</p> <p>Amount Allocated: \$312,000</p>
Center Street Neighborhood Design Project	<p>The project hired a consultant to perform an engineering design study of Center Street Neighborhood to address the many substandard conditions in roadway, sidewalks, drainage, sanitary sewer and water systems found in the neighborhood. The streets included in the project are Warner, Graves, and Center Streets.</p> <p>Amount Allocated: \$62,000</p>

To: Selectboard
From: Lisa Wong
Re: Judd Brook
Date: June 6, 2023

Background:

The Selectboard already approved \$182,000 total for design and engineering work for the Judd Brook Interceptor project in American Rescue Plan Act funding for the Judd Brook project as outlined in the September 16, 2022 scope from Vortex Services.

The project is going out to bid in June 2023.

Request:

To Approve \$2.2 million in ARPA funds for the Judd Brook interceptor project.

To: Selectboard
From: Town Administrator Lisa Wong
Re: Room Tax
Date: June 6, 2023

Background: Town Meeting approved Short Term Rental bylaws in May 2023. The Town can adopt excise fees as outlined below that is paid by the operator (proprietor) directly to DOR and DOR distributes the local share to the city or town on a quarterly basis by DOR.

Procedure: If a city/town has not yet adopted a local room occupancy excise, it may do so at any time by voting to accept G.L. c. 64G, § 3A and establishing the rate for its local room occupancy excise. The maximum local rate is 6% (6.5% in Boston). Town meeting will need to approve this by majority vote of the annual or special town meeting.

The local excise automatically applies to a short-term rental starting July 1, 2019. No further action is required for the local excise to apply to short-term rentals. The local excise applies to the same occupancies as the state excise.

Once a town has adopted the local room occupancy excise under G.L. c. 64G, § 3A, it may adopt a local option community impact fee of up to 3% of rent regarding transfers of occupancies of two categories of short-term rentals described below. G.L. c. 64G, § 3D. (St. 2018, c. 337, § 6.) If a community has not adopted a local room occupancy excise, it cannot adopt any local option community impact fee. If a community revokes its local option excise, its local option community impact fee will automatically be revoked. This requires a separate Town Meeting acceptance vote to adopt each local option community impact fee as shown below.

First Local Option Community Impact Fee (G.L. c. 64G, § 3D(a)) - applies to each transfer of occupancy of a “professionally managed unit,” which is defined as one of two or more short-term rental units in same city/town not located within a single- or two- or three-family dwelling that includes the operator’s (owner’s) primary residence.

Second Local Option Community Impact Fee (G.L. c. 64G, § 3D(b)) - If the city/town has voted to adopt the local option community impact fee described above for “professionally managed units” under G.L. c. 64G, § 3D(a), it may by a separate additional vote, adopt the local option community impact fee on short-term rental units located within a two- or three-family dwelling that includes the operator’s primary residence under G.L. c. 64G, § 3D(b). If the city/town has not adopted the local option community impact fee under G.L. c. 64G, § 3D(a) (above), it cannot adopt the local option community impact fee under G.L. c. 64G, § 3D(b).

Municipality	Current Rooms Tax Rate	Current Rooms Tax Effective Date	Short-term Rental Community Impact Fee Rate	Short-term Rental Community Impact Fee Effective Date	Short-term Rental Professionally Managed Option	Short-term Rental included within 2-3 Family Home
Amherst	6.00%	10/1/2009	0.03	7/1/2019	Y	Y
Belchertown						
Brimfield	4.00%	10/1/1990				
Chicopee	5.00%	7/1/2018				
Deerfield	6.00%	10/1/2009				
East Longmeadow						
Easthampton	6.00%	7/1/2019				
Granby						
Hampden						
Holyoke	6.00%	7/1/2012				
Longmeadow	6.00%	1/1/2022				
Ludlow	6.00%	1/1/2010				
Monson						
Northampton	6.00%	10/1/2009	0.03	7/1/2019	Y	Y
Palmer						
South Hadley						
Southampton	4.00%	1/1/1986				
Southwick						
Springfield	5.00%	10/1/2012				
Sturbridge	6.00%	1/1/2010				
Wales						
West Springfield	4.00%	4/1/1989				
Westfield	6.00%	1/1/2017				
Westhampton						
Wilbraham	4.00%	7/1/1989				

Current units: In addition to short term rentals, this would apply to the college operated Willits Hallowell Center, and a few bed and breakfasts in town.

Action: The Selectboard will consider whether to include this in a future Town Meeting warrant.

Andrea Miles, Chair
Carol Constant, Vice-Chair
Nicole Casolari, Clerk
Jeff Cyr
Renee Sweeney

Lisa Wong
Town Administrator

**Town Administrator's Report to Selectboard
June 6, 2023**

Administration, Finance and Operations

- **State Budget:** The House and Senate are expected to appoint a six-member conference committee to work out differences between the two spending plans, with the goal of presenting a final legislative budget to the governor by the beginning of the fiscal year on July 1.
- **Personnel:** The Town has hired a new Director of Building Operations who will start in July. Scott Moore was the Director of Facilities and Grounds/Energy Manager for the Town of West Springfield for over 6 years. The Town has hired Mike Slater as a full time Director of Veterans Services beginning July 1. Mike currently serves as the head of the South Hadley-Easthampton Veterans district.
- **Wage and Class Study:** There will be a Zoom kickoff for employees about the project on June 9. Each employee will work with their supervisor on a questionnaire and then the Collins Center will conduct interviews in July and August.

Community

- **Chamber Legislative Breakfast:** Annual Legislative Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, June 14th from 8-11 am at Loomis Village. www.shgchamber.com/events/2022/6/10/annual-legislative-breakfast
- **Grand openings:** There were two grand openings recently - a venue space at The Thai Place and the new Delaney's Market. The Planning Board also just approved an illuminated sign for a new restaurant Min Min Kitchen on Newton Street (former Subway location).
- **Green Communities:** Pioneer Valley Planning Commission was awarded a grant to assist South Hadley with technical assistance over the next two years to achieve Green Communities with financial assistance provided by the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (MA DOER) via their Regional Energy Planning Assistance Grant.

Planning

- **Facade Program:** Eleven buildings have been issued contracts and work is scheduled to be completed by June 30, 2023. Projects include new siding, new or replacement signs, window replacements, entranceway overhang, brick repointing, repair to concrete stairs, and other minor electrical and building repairs.
- **Housing:** Wayfinders is applying for a round of funding (due 6/30) at the state to close the gap for their housing project.

Public Works

- **Director:** John Broderick has been promoted to DPW Director after an outside search with many qualified candidates. John brings decades of experience and dedication to South Hadley.
- **Roadwork:** Line painting on newly paved roads 5/29. The 2nd round of paving will be in the summer and include Saybrook circle/ Berwyn st/ Hildreth/ Mulligan Dr./portion of Persing and a few other roads depending on funding.
- **Judd Brook:** Lining project should be out to bid late June.