

Board of Selectmen
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All Boards Meeting Minutes Tuesday, September 29, 2026, 7:00 p.m. Marlborough Elementary School Cafeteria

1. Call to Order

Susan McFarland called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Present were Anthony Bratz, Joe Asklar, Louise Concodello, John Rizza, Susan McFarland and David Porter-Town Manager.

2. Town Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT) Exercise Ms. McFarland broke those in attendance into groups to discuss each SWOT item.

Mr. Porter will have the comments transcribed. Once transcribed they will be distributed to anyone who has signed up for email notifications along with all commission chairs.

3. Board and Commission Reports

Chip Morris-Chair, Board of Education:

- Reported on BOE Vision and Mission Statement
- Reviewed the current BOE Commission members
- He directed public to look at BOE website for additional information
- He reviewed the MES Administrative Team
- Reviewed various departments within MES

- 2026 meeting dates are set, in November setting 2027 meeting dates
- He reviewed the responsibilities of the BOE members.
- Reviewed Initiatives for FY 26-27
- Next year's kindergarten class will be graduating in 2040
- Talked about teachers learning and using AI in the Spring
- Strategic Plan for the next 5 years

Yvonne Bolton-Chair, Conservation Commission

- Reported the board is fully staffed.

Joe Asklar-Fire Marshal

- Reported on house was hit by lightning.
- Has 36 members and have room for 50.
- Fire Marshal office is very busy with new projects.
- State mandates are difficult. All interior firefighters must be trained in Fire Fighter 1, three-month class which is very difficult for Marlborough.
- Repairs on the truck that was in accident is almost completed.

Parks and Recreation

- Reported on the successful busy summer.
- 72 kayak slips for rent.
- Triathlon series very successful.
- Swimming, tennis, beach yoga, tai chi, etc. very successful.
- Fall programs are beginning.

Lake Advisory

- Outreach and monitor was the focus.
- Reported on weed survey to be done this year. Looking at various remedies.
- Lake Smart Program for residents around the lake.

Anthony Bratz-WPAC – Anthony Bratz

- Approved for clean water fund for next available phase.
- Provided information on programs.

Louise Concodello-Nature Trails and Advisory

- Reported on the sidewalk network in Marlborough and trails.
- Volunteers continue to maintain trails.

Deb Bourbeau-Commission on Aging

- Reviewed members of Commission.
- Current Senior Director is doing a wonderful job.
- Many new events.
- Community garden planned for 2027.
- Transportation received updated signage.
- Senior Center Assistant started in August.
- Anniversary party went very well.
- Commission members will participate in Town wide tag sale.

Kristine Hudock-Cemetery Committee

- Maintenance has been concentrated on historical aspects, documentation and maintenance.
- Will be updating rules and regulations.
- Need to repair School Drive gate.
- Repair road in Marlborough Cemetery.
- Sextant presented the land maintenance that has been done this past year and records management

Phil Guzman-MES Building Committee

- Reviewed members of Committee
- Committee has met several times, reviewed and approved RFP for the Project Manager. Three of the eight companies who bid were invited back to present further qualifications.
- Will only be doing roof, HVAC improvement, electrical code updates. State will reimburse Town for a portion of the work. The Project will be funded by the Town and State will be reimbursing 48%. This brings the cost down significantly from the estimate previous provided.
- Hoping for a referendum in May of 2027.

Mike Natri-Board Of Finance

- Worked to get annual budget finalized for approval.
- He briefly reviewed the additional budgeted items.

- Evaluated transfer of funds for other Marlborough projects.
- Worked to solidify opportunities to streamline processes.

Joan O'Connell-Planning Commission

- Most meetings dealt with CCROG and OPM which implemented 2025 Act for Affordable Housing.
- Supported Zoning on regulation changes.
- Complete affordable housing plan by June 1, 2028.
- Specific guidelines expected June 1, 2027
- Marlborough Sustainable CT – currently silver status, to be review in the Spring of 2027

4. Public Comments

Anthony Bratz So Main – member of BOS speaking as a resident. Grateful to participate in SWOT exercise.

5. Reminder for 2027 meeting schedules for committee/commissions

6. Next All-Boards Meeting

7. Adjourn

Susan McFarland motioned to adjourn. Anthony Bratz seconded and meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Monterville
Board Clerk